

Communion Music

Thank You, Lord
Benton Price

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body of Christ.

**All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our Communion
in the blood of Christ. Amen.**

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn

Let There Be Peace on Earth

No. 677

(After worship, a serving elder will be available at the back of each side aisle for personal prayer)

Postlude

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

arr. Robert J. Hughes

David Williams, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

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Sunday, September 13, 2026

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Prelude on "Cwm Rhondda"*
Gilbert Martin
David Williams, organ

Words of Welcome Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 668
For the Healing of the Nations (vs. 1, 3, 4)

*Responsive Reading Janet Lyman
Leader: Lord, often in our busy-ness, we are so focused on ourselves
People: That we do not notice You are with us in every moment.
Leader: We do not recognize You until we quieten the noise
People: Of all that we let occupy our minds.
Leader: Your presence is always with us,
**People: In every step we take, in every person we meet,
and in every meal we eat.**
Leader: You created the banquet table that gives everyone new life.
People: We meet You with great thanksgiving in the bread and cup.

*Invocation

*Lord's Prayer
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory
forever, Amen.**

*Gloria Patri No. 35

A Time for All God's Children David Martin

Prayer Hymn No. 709
Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (vs. 1, 3)

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response
(10:30) Special music, Bob Craggs

Offertory Invitation Melinda McDonald

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Bob Craggs
(10:30) Anthem *River in Judea* arr. John Leavitt

Scripture Reading Luke 24:28-35 Pg. 90 NT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *The Table Was Set Before We Got Here*
Rev. Dr. Alex Ruth

Invitation to Discipleship

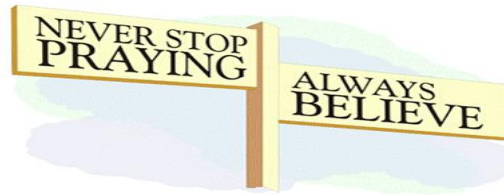
*Communion Hymn No. 411
For the Bread, Which You Have Broken (vs. 1, 3)
(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)

Meditation Gail Prince

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration Christine Lyman-Harm
(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation.)

Prayer List



Last updated 09/11/2026

Members

Evelyn Sanders
Debbie & Jim Hoffert
Gene Guthrie
Jim & Diane Denzer
Carole Holbrook
Linda Kuhns
Jack Dixon & Sue Burkham
Dave Withrow
Larry & Debbie Foster
Shane Garver
Bob Smith
Jean Maggioncalda
Gary Jackson
Leon Bolin
Bill Moutray
Jim Nuernberger

We Pray for Those in the Military:

Katy & Matt Holden (granddaughter & grandson-in-law of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Phillip Johnston (son of Becky Johnston)
Mitchell Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Preston Wade (son of Karen Wade)
Ryan Smithson (grandson of Jim & Vicki Fitzpatrick)
Lucas May (nephew of Marci Baumann)
Nicholas Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Cameron Hauhe (grandson-in-law of Cecil & Sheila Griffith)

Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Merle Chapman (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Janet Deakins (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Bob Garrett (Randall Residence)
Nedra Brintlinger (Primrose)
Dave & Nita Phillips (Primrose)
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Yvonne Purcell (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)
Karen McFadin (Mt. Zion Health & Rehab Center)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)

Friends & Family

Harriette York (mother of David York)
Ron Price (brother of Debbie Hoffert)
Quentin Wilmot (brother of Kevin Wilmot)
Matt Andrews (son-in-law of Jean Maggioncalda)
Tracy Cearlock (friend of Brett Swallow)
Larry Baker (friend of Keith Backes & David Wagner)
Evelyn Drahovzal (friend of Charlotte Ballance)
Tina King (friend to many CCC members)
Sharyl Craggs (wife of Bob Craggs)
Malinda Jackson (cousin of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Jim Story (friend of Maria Jacobs)

Friends & Family (continued...)

Tom & Jerry White (sister & brother-in-law of Joy Adams)
Kim Edwards (friend of Gale Barnes)
Deborah Stokes (Angie Ingram's stepmom)
Renee Spencer (daughter of Cecil & Sheila Griffith)
Jeff & Lori Powers (son-in-law of Dave & Nita Phillips)
Dream (daughter of Unique Hess, friend of Janelle Beedle)
Pat Berry (friend of Angie Ingram)
Brett Moroney (grandson of Jeannie Rade)
Jeff & Sally Brown (friends of many CCC members)
Lynne Clark (daughter of Bob Sarver)
Lucy Rapp (granddaughter of K & J)
Jennifer Maddox (sister of Fran Rutherford)
Sid Stone (brother of Cindy Soebbing)
Joe Sprinkle (nephew of Janet Gray)
Sebastian Smallwood (great-nephew of Bill & Nanette Frank)
Sheena Green (friend of Jim & Pamela Bednar)
Greg Barnes' father
Sharron & Wayne Coleman (relatives of the Barnes family)
Lisa Campbell (daughter of Bruce & Liz Campbell)
Dee Dee Gain (organist)
Tony (brother of Angie Ingram)
Maks (friend of Angie Ingram)
Lorraine French (aunt of David King)
Jeannie Coffman (friend of Connie Bordner)
Bonnie, Will, & Holly Kroening (sister, brother-in-law, and niece of Tom McKay)

Worship Extras
September 13, 2026

Luke 24:28-35, NRSVUE

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, September 13, 2026

Elders: Christine Lyman-Harm, Gail Prince

September Prep Deacons: Susan Bryant*, Christine Lyman-Harm,
Carolyn Sunderlik

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Debbie Hoffert, Carolyn McCall

10:30 - Mary Little, Diana Ritter

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 3 - David King, Capt., Nancy King

10:30 - Team 8 - Diana Ritter, David Sheffer, Bob & Bev Dondeville

Greeters:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Martha Fast, Suzie Miller

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Janet Lyman

Next Sunday, September 20, 2026

Elders: Jeannie Backes, Rebecca Monroe

Outreach Communion Elders: Angie Ingram, Christine Lyman-Harm,
David Martin, Gail Prince, Shirley Swarthout, David York

September Prep Deacons: Susan Bryant*, Christine Lyman-Harm,
Carolyn Sunderlik

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - David King, David Wagner

10:30 - Christine Lyman-Harm, Linda Thomas

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 4 - Hazel Perry, Capt., Karen Penn

10:30 - Team 9 - Suzie Miller, Capt., Martha Fast

Greeters:

8:00 - Sandy Garver, Karen Penn

10:30 - Dale & Judy Ford

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Jordan Backes

Liturgist: Keith Backes