

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Gretchen Kirby

(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation.)

Communion Music

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

No. 277

Christians, We Have Met to Worship (vs. 1, 3)

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

Postlude

Te Deum

Marc-Antoine Charpentier

Dee Dee Gain, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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Central
Christian
Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Rondeau* J. J. Mouret
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Michael E. Karunas

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 7
When in Our Music God Is Glorified (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5)

*Responsive Reading Charlotte Ballance

Leader: As your people, Lord, we give deep thanks
for all the goodness you have given to us.

People: Our hearts open ever wider to your plans for us.

Leader: When we allow space and time to develop our spiritual
and mental lives,

**People: we can live out the devotion that is from you to be
passed along to other people.**

**All: We serve others best when we nurture the Holy you
have placed in each of us.**

*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

Vicky Woolridge

Prayer Hymn *Trust and Obey* (vs. 1, 4) No. 556

Pastoral Prayer Melinda McDonald

(8:00) Prayer Response

(10:30) Special music, *How Great Thou Art*

Jane Cussins, piano, & Dee Dee Gain, organ

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, *How Great Thou Art*

Cussins, Gain

(10:30) Anthem *Shout to the Lord*

arr. Arnold Sherman

Scripture Reading Luke 1:8-13 Pg. 56 NT

Luke 3:21-22 Pg. 60 NT

Luke 10:38-42 Pg. 72 NT

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Serving God with Worship, Prayer and Study*

Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 461

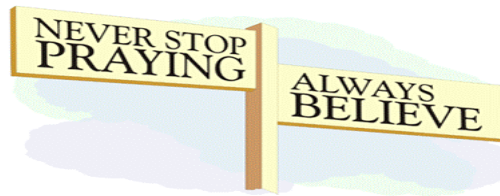
Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service (vs. 1, 3, 4)

*(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

Keela Neumann

Prayer List



Last updated 10/24/2025

Members

Evelyn Sanders
Debbie & Jim Hoffert
Gene Guthrie
Jim & Diane Denzer
Mike & Carole Holbrook
Misty Mochel
Linda Kuhns
Don & Brenda Tankersley
Jack Dixon & Sue Burkham
Dave Withrow
Karen McFadin
Larry & Debbie Foster
Shane Garver
Bill Moutray
Brett Garver
Shovann Romero

Friends & Family

Jim Nuernberger (friend of Jim & Debbie Hoffert)
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)
Curt & Malinda Jackson (cousin of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Jim Story (friend of Maria Jacobs)
Tom & Jerry White (sister & brother-in-law
of Joy Adams)
Sara Foreman (friend of Susan Bryant)
Kim Edwards (friend of Gale Barnes)
Deborah Stokes (Angie Ingram's stepmom)
Renee Spencer (daughter of Cecil & Sheila Griffith)
Crystal Ridgely (friends of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
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)
Mary Schilling (sister of Susan Bryant)
JeanEva Smallwood (mother of Nanette Frank)
Joyce Wakeland (mother of Becky VanMeter)
Keyva Kingston (cousin of Carley & Jarrett Bednar)
Jeff & Sally Brown (friends of many CCC members)
Verlyn Rosenberger (friends of Nancy Taylor)
Lynne Clark (daughter of Bob Sarver)
Lucy Rapp (granddaughter of K & J)
Mary Peck (friend of Keith Backes)

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)
Dan & Nedra Brintlinger (Primrose)
Eleanor Pritts (The Arc at Hickory Pt.)
Don Boyd (The Loft)
Yvonne Purcell (Evergreen)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)
Glen Dalluge

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 Larry & Karen Wade)
Ryan Smithson (grandson of Jim & Vicki Fitzpatrick)
Lucas May (nephew of Marci Baumann)
Nicholas Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Mason Penhallegon (nephew of Babs & Tom McKay)
Cameron Hauhe (grandson-in-law of
Cecil & Sheila Griffith)

Worship Extras
October 26, 2025

Luke 1:8-13 NRSVUE

⁸Once when he was serving as priest before God during his section's turn of duty, ⁹he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord to offer incense. ¹⁰Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. ¹¹Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. ¹²When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified, and fear overwhelmed him. ¹³But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John."

Luke 3:21-22 NRSVUE

²¹Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Luke 10:38-42 NRSVUE

³⁸Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹**She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying.** ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹**But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴²but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."**

Notes:

Serving Schedule

Today, October 26, 2025

Elders: Gretchen Kirby, Keela Neumann
October Prep Deacons: Kim Miller, Suzie Miller

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Jane Davis, Debbie Hoffert
10:30 - Gretchen Kirby, Steve Swarthout

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 2 - Bruce Campbell, Capt., Liz Campbell
10:30 - Team 7 - George Virgil, Capt., Linda Virgil,
Hugh & Linda Rowden

Greeters:

8:00 - Charlotte Ballance, Donna Dash
10:30 - Larry & Michele Bafford

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib
10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Charlotte Ballance

Next Sunday, November 2, 2025

Elders: Jeannie Backes, Kim Miller

November Prep Deacons: Donna Dash, Carolyn & Tim Pistorius

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Mike Munos
10:30 - Roberta Gorden, Luke Kirby

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 3 - David King, Capt., Nancy King
10:30 - Team 8 - Diana Ritter, David Sheffer

Greeters:

8:00 - Debbie & Jim Hoffert
10:30 - Andy & Theresa Fulk

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Bobby Munos
10:30 - Keith Backes

Liturgist: Shirley Swarthout