

Prayer of Consecration

David York

(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 *Let All Things Now Living* No. 717

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

Postlude *Westminster Abbey* Henry Purcell
Dee Dee Gain, organ

**All who are able, please stand*

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Letting Go, Holding On

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Sunday, November 9, 2025

Central Christian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope.

Prelude *Sheep May Safely Graze* J. S. Bach
 Dee Dee Gain, organ

Words of Welcome Melinda McDonald

*Introit

*Opening Hymn No. 56
 For the Beauty of the Earth (vs. 1, 4, 5)

*Responsive Reading Charlotte Ballance

Leader: We come to worship God
 in the fullness of these autumn days.

**People: We see the rhythm of life around us
 with the changing colors of the leaves.**

Leader: In obedience to nature, the leaves let go
 of their source of life and drift to the ground.

**People: In obedience, may we too let go of those things
 that would separate us from God.**

Leader: May our letting go be a testament to our trust in God,
 our source of life.

All: With joyful anticipation, we begin our worship.

*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 *Softly and Tenderly* (vs. 1, 3) No. 340

Pastoral Prayer

(8:00) Prayer Response

(10:30) Special music, Izzy Kostbade

Offertory Invitation

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

(8:00) Special Music, Izzy Kostbade

(10:30) Anthem *O Most High* Jonathan Reid

Scripture Reading Luke 19:12-27 Pg. 82 & 83 NT

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Letting Go, Holding On*
 Michael E. Karunas

Invitation to Discipleship

*Communion Hymn No. 395

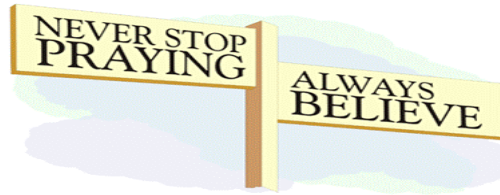
Seed, Scattered and Sown (vs. 1)

*(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 Tom Spry

Words of Institution

Prayer List



Last updated 11/07/2025

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
Shovann Romero
Glen Featherstun & family
The Cain family

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)

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 of Rock Springs)
Yvonne Purcell (Evergreen)
Leona Bray (Tanglewood)
Glen Dalluge

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)
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)
Lynne Clark (daughter of Bob Sarver)
Lucy Rapp (granddaughter of K & J)
Mary Peck (friend of Keith Backes)
Jennifer Maddox (sister of Fran Rutherford)

Worship Extras
November 9, 2025

Luke 19:12-27 NRSVUE

¹²So he said, “A nobleman went to a distant region to receive royal power for himself and then return. ¹³He summoned ten of his slaves and gave them ten pounds and said to them, ‘Do business with these until I come back.’ ¹⁴**But the citizens of his country hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, ‘We do not want this man to rule over us.’** ¹⁵When he returned, having received royal power, he ordered these slaves to whom he had given the money to be summoned so that he might find out what they had gained by doing business. ¹⁶**The first came forward and said, ‘Lord, your pound has made ten more pounds.’** ¹⁷He said to him, ‘Well done, good slave! Because you have been trustworthy in a very small thing, take charge of ten cities.’ ¹⁸**Then the second came, saying, ‘Lord, your pound has made five pounds.’** ¹⁹He said to him, ‘And you, rule over five cities.’ ²⁰**Then the other came, saying, ‘Lord, here is your pound. I wrapped it up in a piece of cloth,** ²¹**for I was afraid of you, because you are a harsh man; you take what you did not deposit and reap what you did not sow.’** ²²He said to him, ‘I will judge you by your own words, you wicked slave! You knew, did you, that I was a harsh man, taking what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow? ²³Why, then, did you not put my money into the bank? Then when I returned, I could have collected it with interest.’ ²⁴He said to the bystanders, ‘Take the pound from him and give it to the one who has ten pounds.’ ²⁵**(And they said to him, ‘Lord, he has ten pounds!’)** ²⁶‘I tell you, to all those who have, more will be given, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ²⁷**But as for these enemies of mine who did not want me to rule over them—bring them here and slaughter them in my presence.’ ”**

Serving Schedule

Today, November 9, 2025

Elders: Tom Spry, David York

November Prep Deacons: Donna Dash, Carolyn & Tim Pistorius

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - David King, David Wagner

10:30 - Jeannie Backes, Andrea Shartzter

Ushers:

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

10:30 - Team 9 - Suzie Miller, Capt., Donna Dash

Greeters:

8:00 - Carolyn McCall, Gail Prince

10:30 - Gregg & Linda Foltz

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash

10:30 - Luke Kirby

Liturgist: Charlotte Ballance

Next Sunday, November 16, 2025

Elders: Janet Lyman, Linda Rowden

November Outreach Communion: Theresa Fulk, Angie Ingram, Gail Prince, Krista Rohrscheib, Tom Spry, Brett Swallow

November Prep Deacons: Donna Dash, Carolyn & Tim Pistorius

Offering Deacons:

8:00 - Nancy King, Patti Swinford

10:30 - Keith Backes, Cole Shartzter

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 5 - Mike Munos, Capt., Gerri Munos, Brad Munos,

Brittney Moran, Blair Moran, Bobby Munos, Julia Munos

10:30 - Team 10 - David Martin, Capt., Stephani Martin, Gretchen Kirby

Greeters:

8:00 - Sandy Garver

10:30 - Bob & Mary Jane Linton

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Krista Rohrscheib

10:30 - Mike Kirby

Liturgist: Andy Fulk