

***Order of Service 8.22.2021**
Sheet Music Available

Prelude

A Mighty Fortress —arr. Wilson

Acolyte—

Welcome

Call to Worship

Holy is the Lord (CCLI 4158039)
V1, CH, Bridge, CH

Verse 1

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great how awesome is He

Chorus

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory

Bridge

It is rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
(Chorus)

Opening Hymn

How Great is Our God (CCLI # 4348399)
V1, Ch, V2, CH, Bridge, CH 3x

Verse 1

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son

The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb
(Chorus)

Bridge

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

(Chorus 3X)

Announcements

Morning Prayer—

Blessing of the New School Year
KID Central Call

Special Music

In My Father's House —Cynthia Seek

Offering

Open the Eyes of My Heart with Be Thou
My Vision —arr. Hayes

Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings
flow, Praise God, all creatures here
below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our
gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose
power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy
Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture Lesson

Luke 15:11-31

11 Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. 13 A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. 14 When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. 16 He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. 17 But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! 18 I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' 20 So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. 21 Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; 24 for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was

lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

25 "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. 27 He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' 28 Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. 29 But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' 31 Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours.'

Sermon

Apostle's Creed (No. 881 UMH)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Here I Am Lord UMH 593(V1, CH, V3, CH)

Verse 1

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save
I who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Chorus

Here I am, Lord
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart

Verse 3

I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide
'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send? **(Chorus)**

Benediction

Postlude

Rejoice!—Giamanco

Announcing Central Explorer's Quest 9/25/21 from 9:00 am-1:00pm

This event for ages 5-12 years will feature music, food, indoor cave exploration and much more! This is a free event and you can preregister at www.cumckm.org.

Central Explorer's Quest Planning Meeting 8/30/21

There will be a planning meeting for this event on Monday, August 30 at 6:30 pm. New volunteers are welcomed.

Sign up to help Usher & Greet during Service

Please see Joe Patterson for the sign up sheets. There are many spots available to fill.

Hearing Assist System

We now have a Hearing Assist System that will allow you to connect via a belt pack that the church provides or if you have a smartphone, you can use it with your own hearing aid when you download the WaveCAST Audio Receiver app.

Altar Flowers

We are now resuming altar flowers in the sanctuary and the cost is now \$90. The calendar is being updated and the Administrative Assistant, Candy Love will be in touch with you if you had a prior date to see if you would still like to place flowers. If you are interested in getting a date, please contact the church office at 704-739-2471 or central@cumckm.org

Sunday School News

Central UMC is now offering a congregational wide Sunday School Class. Join us at 9:00am for our Sunday School Class.

August Ushers:

Tom Bennett, Johnny Harris, Joe Patterson, & Allan Propst

August Greeter: Cecelia Meade

Thank you for your support!



*The altar flowers are given
to the glory of God and in honor of
Betty Potter & Charlotte Brucker's
Birthdays By The Family*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

ATTENDANCE

(8/15) 10:00a Service.....82

Operating Fund

Contributions 8/15 \$3,460.15

Contributions YTD \$244,880.33

Capital Improvements Fund

Contributions 8/15 \$ 0.00

Contributions YTD \$ 600.00

PRAYER LIST: PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Praises and concerns will stay on this list for one month unless otherwise requested.

Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound: Peggy Ramey; Sara Griffin; Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; Ruth Wilson, Betty Masters.

Praise: Prayers for all of our teachers, parents and students for a safe and healthy 2021/22 school year.

Military Personnel: SGT Tyler Dixon-Marines; SSGT Jonathan Brucker-Army; CAPT Alex Plonk-Air Force; S 1 Tyler Hellstrand-Navy; Abbey Wallace-Air Force (Afghanistan); SSG Colby Bailey—Army; LT Boone McDaniel, Navy; CAPT Wendell Bunch, Jr.—Army; CAPT Alex Young,—Air Force; SP4 Joshua Brucker (Syria).

Concerns (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Judy Norwood 7.12.21; Ann Reep (death) 8.5.21; Stephanie Thennis 8.10.21.

Concerns (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Nancy Radford 6.7.21; Allen Ware 6.14.21 (colon cancer/www.caringbridge.org/visit/allenware); Sherry Wilson 6.25.21; Rev. Warren Owens 8.1.21(death), brother of Audrey Brooks; Sidney Bridges 8.9.21; Ronnie "Earl" Steven Sparks (death 8.9.21), brother of Dorothy McDaniel; Carl and Lucy Gentry 8.16.21; Brock LeMasters (brother-in-law of Libby & Roger Putnam) 8.16.21; Alma Husky 8.16.21.