

Order of Service 1.8.2023

Baptism of the Lord
Liturgical Color: White

Prelude

We Three Kings—arr. Scott

Acolyte—Olivia H.

Welcome

Call to Worship

What a Beautiful Name
(CCLI# # 7068424)

Verse 1

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Verse 2

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

Bridge

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Ending

What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Opening Hymn

Glorious Day (CCLI# 7081388)
V1, V2, CH, V3, CH, Bridge, CH

Verse 1

I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight
It was my tomb 'til I met You

Verse 2

I was breathing but not alive
All my failures I tried to hide
It was my tomb 'til I met You

Chorus

('Cause when) You called my name (and)
I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day
You called my name (and)
I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day

Verse 3

Now Your mercy has saved my soul
Now Your freedom is all that I know
The old made new Jesus when I met You
(Chorus)

Bridge

I needed rescue my sin was heavy
But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter I was an orphan
Now You call me a citizen of Heaven
When I was broken You were my healing

Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing
I have a future my eyes are open
(Chorus)

Announcements

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

Special Choir Music

Abide With Me/The Church's One Foundation
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Abide With Me

Offering

Blessed Assurance—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!

Special Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy UMH #64

Verse 1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to
thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Scripture Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13

*2 If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any
consolation from love, any partnership in the
Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, 2 make*

*my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the
same love, being in full accord and of one
mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or
empty conceit, but in humility regard others as
better than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not
to your own interests but to the interests of
others. 5 Let the same mind be in you that was in
Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he existed in the form
of God, did not regard equality with God
as something to be grasped, 7 but emptied
himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming
human likeness. And being found in appearance
as a human, 8 he humbled himself and became
obedient to the point of death—even death on a
cross. 9 Therefore God exalted him even more
highly and gave him the name that is above every
other name, 10 so that at the name given to Jesus
every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth
and under the earth, 11 and every tongue should
confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of
God the Father. Shining as Lights in the World
12 Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always
obeyed me, not only in my presence but much
more now in my absence, work on your own
salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God
who is at work in you, enabling you both to will
and to work for his good pleasure.*

Sermon—Pastor Bruce Gwyn

Apostle's Creed (No. 881)

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

Let There Be Peace on Earth UMH #431

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin
with me; let there be peace on earth, the
peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect
harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the
moment now.

With every step I take, may this be my
solemn vow: To take each moment and live
each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin
with me.

Benediction

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Postlude

Come, Christians, Join to Sing—arr. McDonald

*The altar flowers are given to
the glory of God and in memory
of Sonny Peeler
by Gene & Jerri Patterson*

Central News and Events

Save the Date for our January 29 Fifth Sunday Fellowship Breakfast! Fifth Sunday Breakfast Fellowship "Pilot" - Bring your favorite store-bought or homemade breakfast pastries, donuts, fruit, ham or sausage biscuits, or breakfast casserole enough to share for up to 6 people. Food will be continental style. There will be no Sunday School classes that day. This will be time for some church fellowship before the 10am Service. If successful, we will do it 4 more 5th Sunday times in 2023!

Community Kitchen Food Drive Request Our partner, Second Harvest Food Bank has been running low on donations and we are asking for your help to supplement our pantry. For January, we are collecting canned ready meals to distribute. We are seeking items like or similar to Dinty Moore Beef Stew and Spaghetti O's. Please leave your donations in the food drive box in the CAC Hallway. Thank you for your support and for helping people in your community. We served 337 people last month.

Informational Meetings Notice There will be informational meetings after service every Sunday during January. We will discern the direction for Central Methodist during these meetings.

Hearts for Hospice—Beginning next week will be doing a fundraiser for Cleveland County Hospice selling hearts for \$1. Please make checks

Sunday School News ****Please Note New Time**** Sunday School now will be meeting in the CAC at 8:30 am.

Our Nursery is available during worship service for ages 0-4 years old. We are in need of volunteers in the nursery to help support this ministry. Please see or contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cumckm.org or 704-739-2471.

KID Central is our church's church for ages 5-12. If you have any questions, please contact our Youth and Children's Ministries Director, Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cumckm.org.

UMYF United Methodist Youth Fellowship meets on Sunday evenings from 5:30-7:30pm. If you have any questions or would like to join/volunteer for youth events, please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cumckm.org or 704-739-2471.

If you need to contact **Pastor Bruce Gwyn** please contact/text him at 704-291-0212 or pastor@cumckm.org.

Ushers: Joe Patterson

Greeter: Mary Ann Hendricks



The ladies' circles of Central would like to invite the women of the church to meet together on Monday, February 6th at 6:30 pm in the CAC.

Anyone interested in joining a ladies group is welcome to attend. We will discuss future projects and decide on a new name for this group. *Light refreshments will be served.*

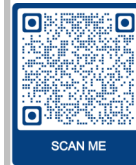
If you have any questions or to RSVP please contact Stephanie Wilson (704-466-0187),

Amy Dixon (980-215-5757) or

Marie Brinkley (704-277-6961).

We look forward to seeing you in February!

Save the Date! The next Family Fellowship Night will be on February 8 at 6:15pm. Program details are in the works and will be announced soon. RSVP to the church office by February 6 at 704-739-2471 or central@cumckm.org.



Welcome Visitors!

Scan to get connected to Central, inquire about membership and for prayer requests.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE

(1/1) 10:00a Service.....72

Operating Fund 2023

Contributions 1/1 \$2,200.00

Contributions YTD \$2,200.00

Operation Fund 2022

Contributions 12/31 \$ 33,297.60

Contributions 2022 Total \$421,914.44

PRAYER LIST: PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound: Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; Ruth Wilson, John & Evelyn Eagle; Marilyn Hamrick.

Military Personnel: SSGT Tyler Dixon-Marines; SSGT Jonathan Brucker-Army; SSgt. Joshua 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; PFC Matthew Oliveira—Ft. Bliss, El Paso, TX.

Concerns (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry.

Concerns (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Sidney Bridges (brain tumor) 9.19.21; Freida Grant 2.21.22; Sherry Curtis 4.20.22; Jennifer Wall 4.26.22; Parker Byrd 7.27.22; Clyde V. (motorcycle accident); Terry and Johnny Neil 10.17.22; Charles Bagwell 10.17.22; Tina Melvin 10.24.22; Marsha & Carl Morrow 12.1.22; Candy Love 1.3.23; Robert Childers, Sr., (death) 1.1.23; Sandy Edwards 1.5.23.