



Order of Service 10.1.23
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

Prelude *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*
—arr. Curtis

Acolyte— Kalin B.

Greetings—

Kayla Potter Fuller,
Director of Children/Youth Ministries

Welcome/Announcements—Kathy Livsie

Apostle's Creed

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.

Build Your Kingdom Here (CCLI Song # 6186078)

Chorus

Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Verse 1

Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us

Verse 2

We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth

Chorus

Verse 3

Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are Your church
We are the hope on earth

Chorus

Goodness of God (CCLI Song ##7117726)

Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

INVITATION

Christ the Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ,
you are forgiven!
**In the name of Jesus Christ,
you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

Special Choir Music

Because He Lives

Offering *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*—arr. McKibben

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!

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Lesson

I John 1:8-I John 2:2

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

I John 2 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

Sermon Title

What Do You Do With Sin?

The Lord's Supper

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Receiving the Bread and Cup
Communion Meditation-arr. Johnson

Closing Hymn

There is a Fountain Filled with Blood
(UMH #622) V 1,2 & 3

Verse 1

There is a fountain filled with blood
drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
and sinners plunged beneath that flood
lose all their guilty stains.
Lose all their guilty stains,
lose all their guilty stains;
and sinners plunged beneath that flood
lose all their guilty stains.

Verse 2

The dying thief rejoiced to see
that fountain in his day;
and there may I, though vile as he,
wash all my sins away.
Wash all my sins away,
wash all my sins away;
and there may I, though vile as he,
wash all my sins away.

Verse 3

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood
shall never lose its power
till all the ransomed church of God
be saved, to sin no more.
Be saved, to sin no more,
be saved, to sin no more;
till all the ransomed church of God
be saved, to sin no more.

Benediction

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Postlude

Postlude in Early American Hymn Style — Smith

**Response is in bold.*

Save the Date for our upcoming Fall Festival on Sunday, October 29 from 5:30-7:00pm. Our planning meetings will be held after service in the Asbury Room on **Sunday, October 1, 8, & 22.** We are in need of **10** cars for Trunk or Treat. We are now collecting candy for the **Fall Festival on October 29.** Please bring your donations and put in the collection bin in front of Kayla's office in the CAC hallway. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org.

Save the date for the **Methodist Men Annual Soup Sale on Saturday, November 4, 2023** from 11am-2pm. See a Methodist Men member for tickets. If you have any questions, please see Jeff Dixon or contact the church office at 704-739-2471.

Central Senior Trip

We're excited to invite you to our Central Senior Trip to Lake Lure on Wednesday, October 4, 2023! It's going to be an amazing day exploring the beautiful area and indulging in some delicious Italian cuisine at a local restaurant. Don't forget to bring some cash for the meal and any sightseeing you want to do. **We'll all meet up at the church at 9:30 am** to head out together, on the bus. We'll wrap up our adventure at 4 pm.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to reach out to Debbie Greene at 330-603-4355 or dgreene90254@gmail.com. **Please RSVP by Monday, October 2** so we can make sure everything is all set for the trip.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT
ATTENDANCE**

(9/24) 10:00a Service.....100

Operating Fund

Contributions 9/24 \$ 3,091.25
Contributions MTD \$39,429.20

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of my parents,
Maude & Jess Luckadoo and my son, Marc Hoover
By: Rachel Luckadoo Dover*

Ushers: Joe Patterson, Jim Potter, David McDaniel
Greeter: TBA



It's Time for Operation Christmas Child This year for Operation Christmas Child help Central build shoeboxes online! Join us in reaching 75 children this year with the Gospel of Jesus Christ! For a donation of just \$25, we will pack it and send it for you in Jesus' Name. Be sure to share this opportunity with others and let's see what God will do! If you have questions, please contact Audrey Brooks at 404-274-1758. Make out your check to Central and designate in the memo line Operation Christmas Child and the donation is \$25 per box.

Or you can scan the QR Code and pay online and choose your shoebox items on the CMC Goal Page.

Shoebox donations are due by **Sunday, November 12, 2023.**

Upcoming Meetings at Central: 10/2/23 Trustees, 6:00pm; 10/3/23 Endowment Committee Meeting, 6:30pm; 10/5/23 Missions Committee, 6:30pm.

Methodist Women of Kings Mountain Meeting Our next meeting will be on **Monday, October 2 at 6:30 pm** in the CAC. Audrey Brooks and Debbie Greene will be doing a program for us. Below is some information on what that will entail. Hope to see each of you at our meeting. Our Program will be: "2 Shirts" Helping the Vulnerable. Community in Christ can make the difference. *"He replied to them, "The one who has two shirts must share with someone who has none, and the one who has food must do the same."—Luke 2:11 CSB*

Don't forget to stop by the Asbury room on Sunday mornings to get some refreshments before heading to your preferred Sunday Morning Small Group! Refreshments will be offered every Sunday from 8:45 -9:45 am.

KIDS Central & Nursery News Our **Nursery** is available starting at 9:00 am 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@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471. **KID Central** is our church's church for K-5th and **check in is now at 9:00am** on Sundays. If you have any questions, please contact our Youth and Children's Ministries Director, Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org.

Central Youth 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@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

You can reach **Pastor Perry Hines** at 828-768-5996.

Prayer List: Praises and Concerns

Please note names will stay on list for one month unless otherwise requested— Contact the church office. 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org to have names added/or removed from the prayer list.

Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound: Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; John 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; SSG Colby Bailey—Army; CAPT Wendell Bunch, Jr.—Army; CAPT Alex Young,—Air Force; PFC Matthew Oliveira—Ft. Bliss, El Paso, TX.

Praises: Melissa Brooks on her National Honors Society Induction on 9.20.23; Ruby O. for being featured in the King Mountain Herald newspaper for scoring on her volleyball team.

Concerns: (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Terry Edwards (safe travels) 9.21.23.

Concerns: (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Marsha Morrow (knee replacement surgery) Tony Donadio (Uncle of Carol Velky) 8.29.23; Jamie Keever (healing), cousin of Audrey Brooks 8.29.23; Haley Judd (healing) 9.5.23.



Welcome Visitors!

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