



Order of Service 9.17.2023
16th Sunday After Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

Prelude

All Creatures of Our God and King—arr. Sewell

Acolyte— Kalin B. & Olivia H.

Greetings

Kayla Potter Fuller, Director of Children/Youth Ministries

Welcome/Announcements— Greg Dixon

I Saw the Light (CCLI Song #45064)

Verse 1

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night
Praise the Lord I saw the light

Chorus

I saw the light I saw the light
No more in darkness no more in night
(And) now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light

Verse 2

Just like a blind man I wandered along
Worries and fears I claimed for my own
Then like the blind man that
God gave back his sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light

Verse 3

I was a fool to wander and stray
Straight is the gate and narrow the way
Now I have traded the wrong for the right
Praise the Lord I saw the light

Opening Worship

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

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

Special Choir Music

Old Time Religion Medley—arr. Mark Hayes

Offering

O God of Every Nation—arr. Krug

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

1 John 1:4 (NKJV)

*4 And these things we write to you that your joy
may be full.*

John 15:11 (NKJV) ¹¹ *“These things I have
spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you,
and that your joy may be full.*

Psalms 16:11 (NKJV) *You will show me the path
of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy;
At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

1 Thessalonians 1:6 (NIV) ⁶ You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.

Sermon— Pastor Perry Hines

Sermon Title— *Fullness of Joy*

Closing Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus (UMH #189)

Verse 1

Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Verse 2

Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Verse 3

Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels heaven can boast.

Verse 4

Beautiful Savior!
Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine.

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.

Benediction

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Postlude

One Lord, One Faith, One Birth—arr. Wagner

Save the Date for our upcoming Fall Festival on Sunday, October 29 from 5:30-7:30pm. Our planning meetings will be held after service on in the Asbury Room on **Sunday, September 24, October 1 & 8.** We are in need of **10** cars for Trunk or Treat.

If you have any questions or would to volunteer please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org.



Please note that our church email address has updated to central@cmkm.org and our website is now www.cmkm.org.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of our grandchildren, Nolen, Jace, Easton, & Martha
By: Greg & Sheila Dixon

Ushers: Jim Larson & Mark Dixon
Greeter: Mary Ann Hendricks

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
ATTENDANCE	
(9/10) 10:00a Service.....	84
Operating Fund 2023	
Contributions 9/10	\$ 3,072.00
Contributions MTD	\$ 12,517.25

The Methodist Men will meet on Monday, September 18 at 6:00pm in the CAC. Save the date for the **Methodist Men Annual Soup Sale on Saturday, November 4, 2023** from 11am-2pm. Tickets will be available soon. If you have any questions, please see Jeff Dixon.

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."*

Kids Central Extended Sunday Morning Hours: We are excited to announce that drop-off for our Nursery and Kids Central programs now begin at 9:00 am! **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.

Small Groups Upcoming Meetings:

Recruitment Sunday, September 17—CAC following service—Learn what small groups are offered this semester.

Small Groups Semester begins September 24—Short term study small groups start meeting.

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.

Choir Hymn Caroling Night Wednesday, September 27, 2023. We would like to invite the church congregation to join our choir as we travel to sing to our homebound members. If you would like to participate or schedule a visit please contact Justin Harper at Justin@cmkm.org or the church office at 704-739-2471.

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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 10 am and head out together, with the option to carpool or take a bus depending on the response. 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.

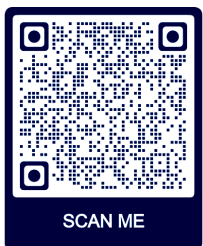
KIDS Central & Nursery News

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@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

KID Central is our church's church for K-5th and meets 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.



Welcome Visitors!

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

Sunday Morning Groups

1. Sunday Morning Group: The Chosen Bible Study

- Leader: Mark Dixon
- Time and location: 8:30 am in the CAC every Sunday morning
- Age: All ages

2. Daughters of Wesley Sunday morning Group

- Leader: Tim Miller
- Time and location: 9 am in the Parlor/Bride's room
- Leader contact info: tmnkm@bellsouth.net
704-473-9148

3. Pilgrim's Progress Study Sunday Morning Group

- Leaders: Clyde and Faye Kerns, Jimmy Warren, & Jim Larson
- Time & Location: 8:45am Upstairs in the Central Fellowship Room
- Leader contact info: clydekerns@att.net

Weekly Groups

Men's Bible Study

- Leader: Tim Miller
- Time and location: Weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in the Asbury room
- Leader contact info: tmnkm@bellsouth.net 704-473-9148
- Description: We are an ongoing small group for men of all ages. Dedicated to studying God's word as it is shared to us in the Bible. We meet for fellowship and worship in a safe and non-judgmental environment. We recognize and appreciate that not everyone is at the same level in their Biblical study, and we work together to

make God's word understood and relevant for each of us in our lives

Mary's Breakfast Brunch

- Leader: Betty Masters
- Time and location: Meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 9:00 am. Location is Linwood Restaurant: 805 Cleveland Ave, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.
- Leader contact info: 704-739-2653

Women's Seekers

- Leader: Debbie Greene
- Time and location:
We will meet weekly, Wednesdays 2:00 – 3:00 pm at the church in the Asbury room
- Group Type: Women's, open to all ages
- Group Description: Our study will be on The Book of Ephesians by J.D. Greear. Ephesians is our survival manual. JD Greear digs into the text verse by verse and challenges believers to live out the gospel. It will be from our mouths that others will hear about Jesus. Come join us as we study together the book of Ephesians.
- Leader Contact information:
(330)-603-4355 dgreene902@aol.com

Weekly Prayer Partners

- Leader: Kayla Potter Fuller
- Time and Location: Tuesday 12:30pm-1:15pm in the CAC starting 9/26/23
- This will be a time we will spend together in prayer for our church prayers requests, our community, global needs and for one another. Members will be given weekly prayer assignments.

Just Added!

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
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.

Concerns: (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Evelyn Eagle (death), wife of John Eagle 8.27.23; TW (healing prayers) 9.1.23.

Concerns: (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Sharon Wilson 1.25.23; Kim Phillips 1.25.23; Allen McKinney (prostate cancer) 2.7.23; Mary Edwards 7.18.23; Martha Wright, sister of Patti Jolly (death) 8.24.23; 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.