



Order of Service 11.5.23
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday
Liturgical Color: Green

Prelude

Glorify Thy Name—arr. Bettcher
Performed by the Bells of Praise

Acolyte

Greetings—

Kayla Potter Fuller,
Director of Children/Youth Ministries

Welcome/Announcements—Audrey Brooks

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.

Opening Worship

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

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
(CCLI # #4768151)

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Chorus

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

Recognition of Saints

Evelyn Eagle 10/9/1936—8/27/2023
Gail Humphries 12/20/1934—1/10/2023
Jim Ware 10/15/1951—12/6/2022
Ruth Wilson 1/21/1931—4/15/2023

Morning Prayer—Pastor Perry Hines

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

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

Remember Me—Boyd Bacon

Offering

We will Glorify—arr. Bettcher

Performed by the Bells of Praise

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

1 John 2:15-17

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

Luke 12:17-21

17 And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' 18 So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods.' 19 And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.' 20 But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' 21 'So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.'

Genesis 3:6

6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

Luke 4:3-6

3 And the devil said to Him, 'If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.' 4 But Jesus answered him, saying, 'It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.' 5 Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. 6 And the devil said to Him, 'All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish.'

Sermon

Pastor Perry Hines

Sermon Title

"What Is Worldliness?"

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.

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Communion Meditation-arr. Johnson

Closing Hymn

Blessed Assurance (UMH #369)

Verse 1

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Verse 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

Verse 3

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

Benediction

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Postlude

Postlude in the Mixolydian Mode—Lasky

**Response is in bold.*

Our next Family Fellowship Night will be Wednesday, November 8 at

6:15 pm and the meal will be our
traditional Thanksgiving spread.
Please RSVP by November 6 by noon
to the church office at 704-739-2471
or central@cmkm.org to make sure
that we have enough for everyone.

Poinsettia Orders

You can help decorate the church this Christmas
by purchasing a poinsettia in memory or
in honor of a loved one.

Orders are due by November 27.

The cost is \$11 each and order forms can
be picked up in the narthex,
CAC Hallway or from the church office.
Please make your checks payable to
Central Methodist Church.

Community Kitchen News

The Community Kitchen will be
opened special hours on
Thursday, November 23
from 11:30am-1:00pm.

This year the Russell Christmas

Project is collecting cash and
blankets to donate to a local
elementary school with many families
in need. You can bring your blankets
to the church office. For donations,
please make your check out to
Russell Christmas Project. We will
be collecting these items until Sunday,
December 3. Thanks for your support!

*The Altar Flowers are given to the
Glory of God and in memory of all the Saints
by The Church Family*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE

(10/29) 10:00a Service.....102

Operating Fund

Contributions 10/29 \$ 3,921.25

Contributions MTD \$ 27,568.30

Ushers: Joe Patterson, Aubrey Livsie

Greeter: Dru White



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.**

2024 Ushers and Greeters Needed

We are looking for ushers and greeters for Sunday Morning Worship at Central. This is a ministry that can help our church grow, and we need your help. We are currently working on the usher and greeter calendar for the upcoming year, and we are in need of 4 volunteers each month. There are many spots available, so please consider volunteering. You can contact Joe Patterson or the church office at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org to let us know you are willing to serve. Thank you for your interest!

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 at 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: Birth of James Jasper Harper, son of Tracy & Justin Harper on October 3, 2023; birth of Garrison Wade Chapman, son of Emily & Joseph Chapman, grandson of Michael and Penny Norwood on October 12, 2023; Our newest members joining our church on 10.29.23.

Concerns: (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Debby Ray's mother, Sarah Margaret White and her sister Nancy 10.10.23.

Concerns: (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Tony Donadio (Uncle of Carol Velky) 8.29.23; Haley Judd (healing) 9.5.23.; Mary Donadio 10.3.23; Jamie Keever (colon cancer), cousin of Audrey Brooks 8.29.23; Geneva Beachum (continued healing) 10.17.23; Louise Kale 10.16.23 (death); Kathy Rogers (cancer journey) 10.24.23; Tim Best (surgery) 10.24.23; Van Dyke Family 10.24.23.



Welcome Visitors!

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