

Sending Forth

- *Hymn 591 “Rescue the Perishing”
- Benediction
- Congregational Response: Hymn 672 “God Be with You till We Meet Again”
- *Postlude



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Central

United Methodist Church Is:

- ◆ A vital congregation of diverse people
- ◆ Centered in faithful worship of God
- ◆ Growing as disciples of Jesus Christ
- ◆ Moving out in compassionate service

In Ministry

General Ministers.....304
 Pastor.....Steve E. McMillion
 Minister of Music/organist.....Sherry von Oeyen
 Office Manager..... Dana F. Wade
 Child’s Play Director..... Jo Ann B. Black
 Custodian.....Janet Nuckoles
 Retired Pastor..... David D. Reed
 Professor MBC.....Kenneth A. Beals
 District Superintendent.....D. Michael Houff
 Resident Bishop.....Young Jin Cho

Welcome to Central United Methodist Church Morning Worship
18th Sunday after Pentecost
September 30, 2012 10:45 a.m.
Rev. Steve E. McMillion, Pastor



**Have salt in yourselves,
 and be at peace
 with each other.**
 Mark 9:50

The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

If you have an announcement to be made, please contact the church office by Thursday.

Prelude

Please bow your head in Silent Prayer as we prepare for worship.

*Processional Hymn 577 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

*Call to Worship

If it had not been God who was on our side,
**the troubles of our world
 would have swallowed us whole.**

If it had not been God who was on our side,
**the sorrows of our times
 would have swept us away.**

Are any among us suffering?
Come and pray.

Are any among us cheerful?
Come sing songs of praise.

Are any among us sick?
Come and ask for healing.

Our help is in our God,
the One who made heaven and earth.

Call upon God, creator and rescuer.
God is on our side.

**Please stand as you are able*

*Opening Prayer
Children’s Focus

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination

(After the reading of the Scripture Lesson the reader will say:

“This is the Word of the Lord.” The congregation responds: “Thanks be to God”)

- Old Testament ReadingEsther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 (Pew Bible, Page 390)
- Psalter 846 Psalm 124
- Epistle Reading James 5:13-20 (Pew Bible, Page 983)
- Musical Offering: “A Prayer for Humility” arr. Mark Patterson
- Gospel Reading Mark 9:38-50 (Pew Bible, Page 821)
- Sermon Pastor Steve

Response to the Word

*Hymn 467 “Trust and Obey”

Pastoral Prayers and Prayer of the People

Prayer (Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.)

Stewardship Thought- *Ellen DeLong*

Offertory

Congregational Response Hymn 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Affirmation of Faith..... Pg. 885

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Invitation

Words of Confession and Pardon

Prayer of Confession

Unison

Holy God, on this journey of life, we acknowledge that we wander far from you, at times. Distracted by what the world offers us, unsure of our footing, we can get into trouble.

We can lose our way and forget to seek your path of goodness and righteousness. Redirect us, O God, toward you and the path you wish for us to take from now on. Be our guide and our companion, always.

***We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**And hear us, as we confess to you, in silence, of a misstep or a wrong path we have taken.*

Assurance of Pardon

No matter how far we think we have travelled from God, we are mistaken. God is with us always. Hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

The Great Thanksgiving The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebration of Holy CommunionPg. 23

The Lord’s Prayer

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, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Opportunities

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Sunday (09/30)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Children's S.S.
10:45 a.m. Worship

Monday (10/01)

9:30 a.m. Staff Mtg.
5:00 p.m. Weight Watchers

Tuesday (10/02)

9:00 a.m. Child's Play
6:00 p.m. NAMI Family

Wednesday (10/03)

10:00 a.m. Food Pantry
6:00 p.m. Women's NA
7:00 p.m. Hand-bells

Thursday (10/04)

9:00 a.m. Child's Play
6:00 p.m. Together on Thurs.
6:30 p.m. Anxiety Disorder Group
7:00 p.m. NA
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday (10/05)

10:00 a.m. Co-Op
6:30 p.m. NA
7:00 p.m. Lego League

Saturday (10/06)

8:30 a.m. UMMEN Mtg. Rowe's Restaurant
10:00 a.m. Dual Recovery
6:00 p.m. N.A.

-Our Stewardship-

SEPTEMBER 23, 2012

Attendance: 78

Income received toward expenses:

\$2,382.00

Food Pantry: \$10.00

****Pledge Cards****

The Finance Committee will be mailing out pledge cards to members during the week of October 8 and 13th

Last Call for Volunteers

Our work team will be leaving from the large church parking lot on Wednesday evening to travel to Abingdon. Anyone who is interested in participating who has not already expressed interest should contact Jim Printy.

-Food Pantry Requests-

canned pineapple, peaches, fruit cocktail, tuna, jelly, toothpaste, bar soap, conditioner, shampoo, laundry detergent

Welcome

Announcements

-To Our Guests-

We are delighted to have you worship with us, and we invite you to participate in Communion and the life of the church. To become a member of this fellowship, please talk with the pastor. Following the service will be a time of fellowship. Please join us so that we might get better acquainted.

-Attendance Slip/Friendship Register-

Please take a moment and sign the attendance slip in your pew and, if you are a member here, please introduce yourself to anyone who might be visiting with us today. Your warmth and hospitality will be a blessing in someone's life today.

-Children-

Children are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Following the Children's Focus, children under 6 years of age may go to the play room. Later, during the Doxology, they will be brought back into the Sanctuary to participate with their parents in the Great Thanksgiving and receiving of the Lord's Supper. We welcome the participation of the youngest members of the family of faith.

-Prayer-

If you would like someone to pray with you please let the pastor know.

Our Christian Sympathy and Prayers to Sybille Jobin on the loss of her mother.

-Serving Today-

Greeters: Luz de Tablan, Ben True **Reader:** Kay Linnane

Communion: Ed & Carolyn Smith; Joe & Lynn Hill

-Ushers-

Jim Printy, Jack True, Tom Davis, Judd Bankert, Ed Smith, Joe Hill,
Mike Melton, Jim Linnane