

Central United Methodist Church

Our Mission:
To make disciples of Christ who WORSHIP God,
GROW in their faith and SERVE in the church and world.

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Please scan the QR code to the left and fill out the connect card to let us know you are worshipping with us and how we can connect you to our ministries.

The Worship of God
Stewardship Sunday

October 25, 2026 10:00am

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Prelude *Fanfare Toccata on "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"* arr. Perks
Libby Alexander, organ

*Congregational Songs *God of Wonders*

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory *Pastorale on "Take My Life and Let It Be"* arr. Portman
Libby Alexander, organ

Doxology #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. Amen.

Anthem *God Has Work for Us to Do* Miller
Chancel Choir

Sermon **The Path: Gifts – OFFER** Rev. David Lee

*Congregational Hymn TFWS #2153 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

*Benediction

*Chiming the Trinity

*Postlude *Variations on "Old Hundredth"* arr. dovelace
Libby Alexander, organ

*Please stand as you are able.

*****The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Evelyn and Lon B. Rogers by Brownie Plaster and family.*****

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

Welcome to Central United Methodist Church!
We are grateful you are here and pray that you experience God's love, grace, and presence in worship today. As a "Safe Sanctuary" congregation, we ask that all children always remain accompanied by a parent or responsible adult, including when using the restroom during the service. The restrooms are through the doors to the right of Chancel Stage. Childcare for infants and preschool-aged children is available in Room E105. If you need hearing devices, large-print Bibles, or large-print hymnals
our users will be happy to assist you.

Central UMC Linktree QR Code: Please use this QR Code for Connect Card, Online Giving, Wish List, and all other links!

Looking Ahead with Faith: 2027 Stewardship

Our stewardship mailings included a **2027 Faith Estimate of Giving** card to help us plan our 2027 yearly budget and ministries. Please prayerfully consider your giving and turn in your complete card.
Today is **Stewardship Sunday and we have two boxes to drop off your Estimate of Giving in front of the railing. We have extra forms at each vestibule if you need one.**

You also have the option to mail it in to the office, email a picture to finance@cumcshelby.org, or drop by the office during the week.
Thanks to each of you we will be able to continue worshiping, growing, and serving in 2027.

Churchwide Town Hall – Today – October 25th
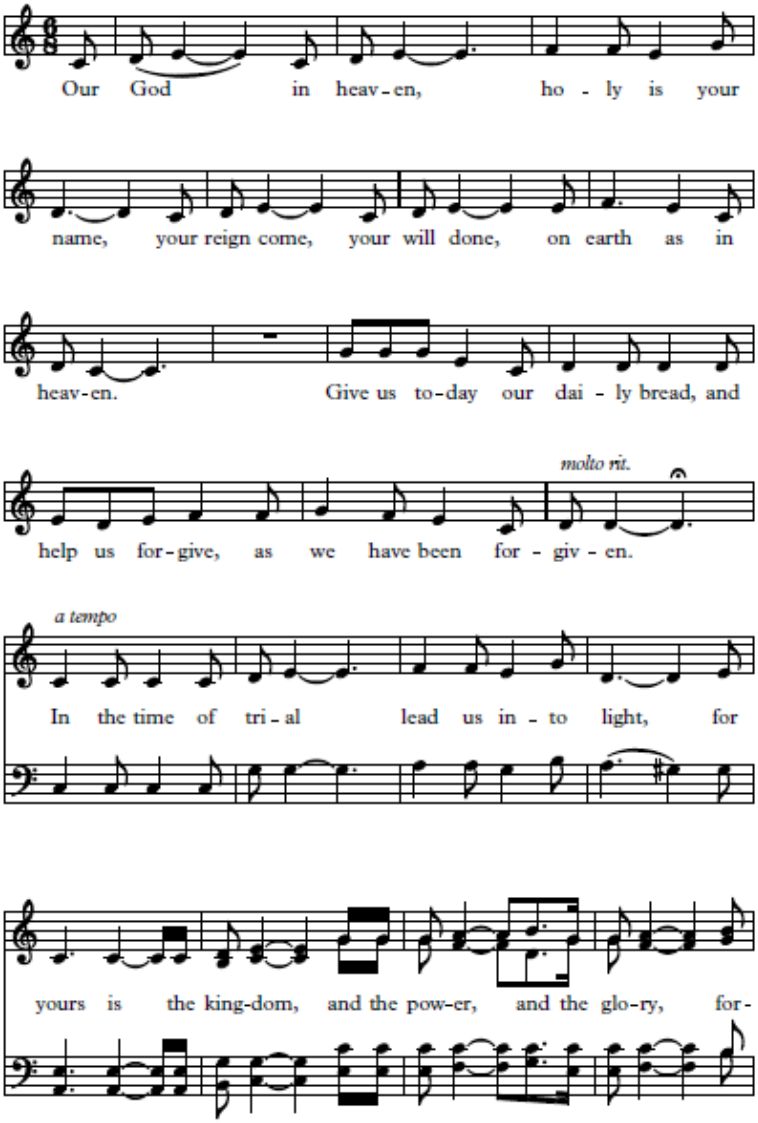
Our church is beginning to explore the feasibility of a capital campaign to address the facility needs identified by the
Central Forward committee in 2025.

We are grateful to have Mr. Joel Mikell from
Horizons Stewardship guiding us through this important process.
Today, immediately following the morning worship service, we invite everyone to join us for a brief church-wide Town Hall.

During this time, you'll see a short presentation of the proposed renovations and can share your thoughts. Your feedback will help us
identify our priorities and understand what we can faithfully commit together.
We hope you'll make plans to stay and participate in this important moment in the life of our church family!

CHRIST'S GRACIOUS LIFE

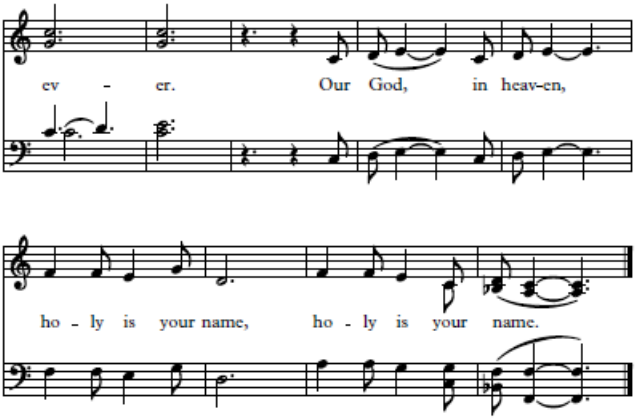
3071 The Lord's Prayer



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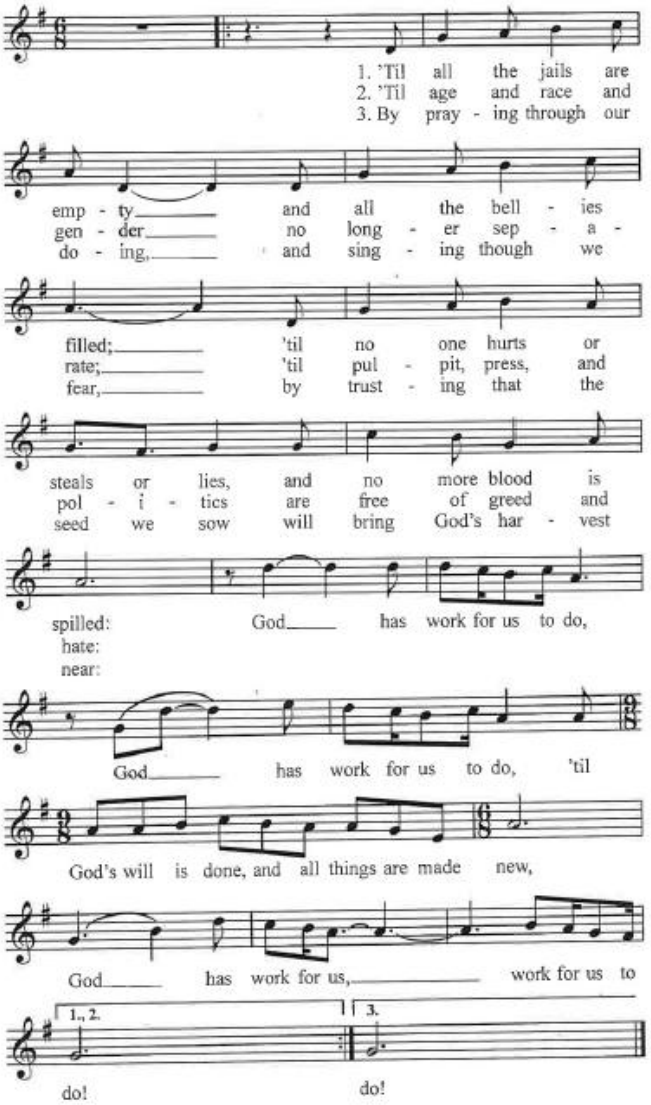
LORD'S PRAYER (MILLER)
Irr.

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ev - er. Our God, in heav-en,
ho - ly is your name, ho - ly is your name.



God Has Work for Us to Do



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Prayer Concerns

For this week, please pray for the following:
*All of those recovering or suffering from medical issues, physical and emotional.

CUMC Family

1/16 Ollie Anthony
4/25 Becky and Steve Hill
8/16 John Juba, healing - cancer diagnosis
9/30 Anne Wray – moving home
10/13 Marilyn Henshaw - recovery from a fall

Family and Friends

3/30 Heidi Bishop Reuschling, sister of West Bishop - Complications from Long Covid
4/1 Parker Campbell deployment, Pilot on Aircraft Carrier to Middle East
6/9 Matt Arey - Cancer
6/14 Turner Morris - rodeo accident, is currently doing outpatient therapy at Shepards House in Georgia
7/19 Joyce Jackson, long-time Open Table guest - recovering from a stroke
8/10 Tyler Wray - Open Table volunteer - joining marines. Left for Parris Island in Aug.
8/22 Rick Mann, brother of Elaine Mann recovery from fall
8/30 Asher Sherfinski's Aunt, who is very sick and her husband who is also her caretaker
9/3 Connie Daman, eyesight recovery
9/14 Monica Noble's cousin's husband Joshua (started an 82-day chemo journey on 9/14) and her cousin Samantha and their three children Joshua Jr., Maddie and Sophie, all affected by this journey
9/27 Mrs. Louise Frazier, Bradley Ellis grandmother, who is widowed and struggling with loneliness and cognitive decline.
10/5 Shirley Eaker's newborn great-grandchild (in Wake Forest hospital with severe health issues)
10/5 Sympathy to the Family of Lynn Luce (Cassie Plaster's mother)
10/5 Sandy Carlton, beginning cancer treatment

Other

Military & First Responders
Our Homeless Community

Trunk or Treat
TODAY Sunday
October 25,
5:00pm

Central UMC parking lot
Come in costume for some family fun to our Trunk or Treat!
Youth will be serving hot chocolate.
If you'd like to decorate a trunk, please sign up by contacting Caroline Scism and arrive in the parking lot by 4:45pm on that day.



<u>Youth Group Calendar</u>

- **Sunday, October 25th** – Youth help w/Trunk-or-Treat 5-6:30pm
  *Serving Hot Chocolate, Family has a Trunk
- **Sunday, November 1st** - Youth 5-7pm Messy
  - People Study - 4
- **Sunday, November 8th -** Youth 5-7pm Messy
  - People Study - 5
- **Sunday, November 15th -** Youth 5-7pm Messy
  - People Study - 6

Please see the link and QR code to sign up to feed our youth this fall. Thank you for your support going into this fall season!!
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49A4AB23A1FFC70-65411038-youth

Ministry Needs

Below is a list of volunteer and donation needs for some of our ministries:
Backpack Ministry: For October: **Fruit Cups** Open Table: **Water Bottles**

Fall Discipleship Opportunities

This fall, grow in faith and community through one of these discipleship opportunities at Central. All are welcome! Stay tuned for start dates

Wednesday Night Book Study: September 2 – November 11
Field Notes for the Wilderness
Wednesdays | 5:15–6:00 PM
Facilitated by Tammy Hollifield

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study – September 10 - October 22
Thursdays | 9:30 AM
"Messy People" by Jennifer Coward
Facilitated by Jessica Talbert,
for more info call Jessica at 704-692-3441.

Men's Saturday Bible Study: The Sermon on the Mount
First and Third Saturdays | 8:00 AM
All men are invited to join this in-depth study of Matthew 5–7.

Disciple IV Bible Study class
Disciple IV Bible Study class will begin on Tuesday afternoon September 15th at 3:00 in the conference room. Class meets every Tuesday from 3:00 until 5:30. The Disciple IV series will begin with 1st Chronicles and cover a number of chapters. The cost of a Disciple IV workbook is $45.

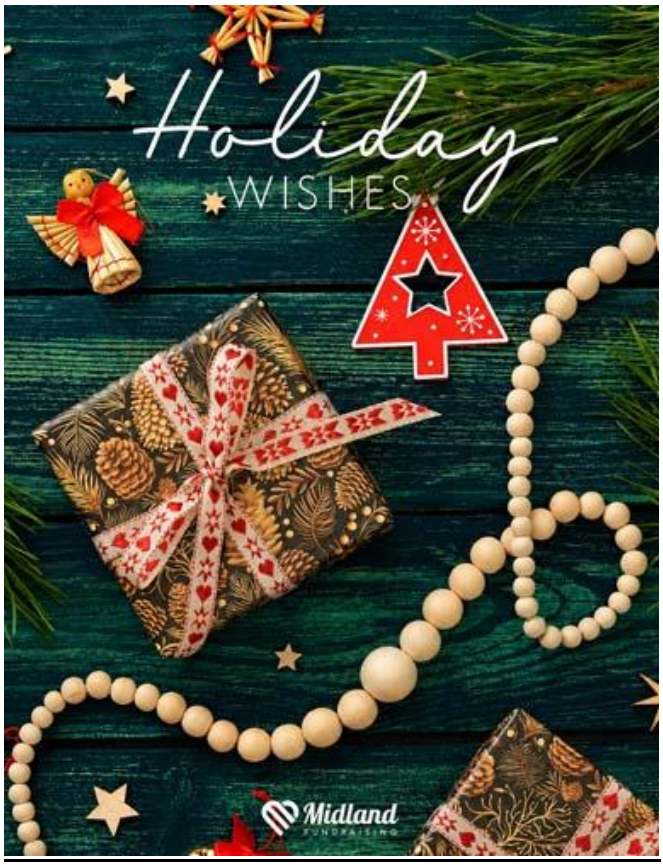
Exciting news! 🎉 KIDS PLACE PRESCHOOL is doing a fundraiser!

Every purchase helps us reach our goal.

🔔 Fundraiser runs October 7 – October 26.

⚡ Our fundraiser is still going strong! Don't miss your chance to support KIDS PLACE PRESCHOOL! Get your holiday essentials and stock up on treats today! Every order counts and brings us closer to our goal. 💪

Wish to support our fundraiser?
Start shopping at the link below or scan the linktree
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Shelley Rempson
Kids Place Director