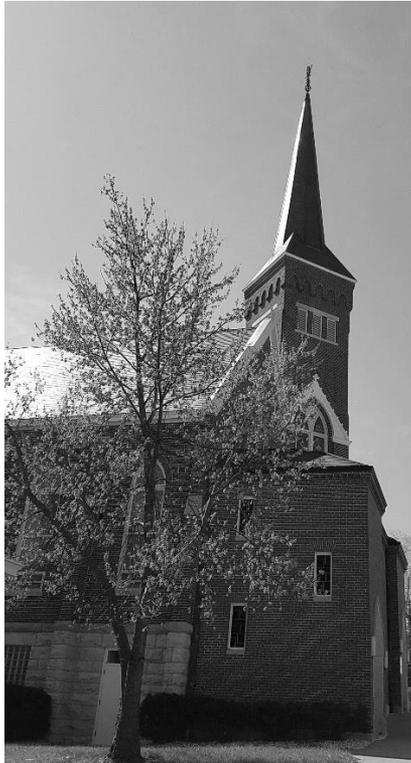


**CENTRAL**  
United Church of Christ  
GROW FAITH • SHARE LOVE • REACH OUT



**July 12, 2020**  
**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**OPENING HYMN**    *“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”*

Christ is made the sure Foundation,  
Christ the Head and Corner Stone,  
Chosen of the Lord and precious,  
Binding all the Church in one;  
Holy Zion’s help forever,  
And her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call Thee,  
Come, O Lord of hosts, today:  
With Thy wonted loving-kindness  
Hear Thy people as they pray;  
And Thy fullest benediction  
Shed within its walls away.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Your word is a lamp to our feet, O God.  
Your instructions are a light to our path.  
Your decrees are a living heritage.  
Your teachings are a blessing in times of trial.  
Hold our hands and guide us, Holy One.  
Help us abide in your ways.

**GATHERING PRAYER**

Loving God, free us of the fear of appearing foolish before others, as we seek new growth in your Spirit. Nurture us with your grace and mercy, that we might be strong as followers of Christ. Amen.

**GREETING** “They’ll Know We Are Christians”

And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

**TO HEAR GOD’S WORD**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Genesis 25:19-34

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

**PRAISE HYMN** “I Love Thy Kingdom Lord”

I love Thy Kingdom, Lord,  
The house of Thine abode,  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved  
With His own precious blood.

Sure as Thy truth shall last,  
To Zion shall be given  
The brightest glories earth can yield,  
And brighter bliss of heaven.

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried:  
He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on 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;  
One holy and universal Christian Church;  
The Communion of Saints;  
The Forgiveness of sins;  
The Resurrection of the body,  
And the Life everlasting.  
Amen. (Adapted from the *Book of Common Prayer, 1662*)

**TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver

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

**AND GO FORTH IN LOVE**

**CLOSING HYMN** “I Love to Tell the Story”

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know ‘tis true;  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

I love to tell the story, ‘Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
‘Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.

I love to tell the story, ‘Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**      *“Our Father Who Art In Heaven”*      – Bach

*(All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI)*

***Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.***

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## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

July 12 – July 19

TODAY:	Worship	10:00am
WED:	Meals On Wheels	10:00am
THURS:	Council Meeting	7:00pm
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Worship	10:00am

**Worship attendance last Sunday: 62**

**Altar flowers** are in memory of loved ones from Anne and Russell Rottmann and family.

**The special floral arrangement** is from Eleanor Diersing's funeral service by her son, Jere Diersing.

**The special floral arrangement** is in loving memory of Doris Wittenberger from the family.

**The red rose today** announces the arrival of Corbin Alexander Merle, born May 25, 2020, to parents Katie and Clark Merle, and brother Calvin. Grandparents are Michael and Jan Miller.

**The red rose today** announces the arrival of Benedict William Rice ("Benny"), born June 29, 2020, to parents Quinten and Heather Rice. Grandparents are Dan and Norma Rice (first-time grandparents) and Tom and Janice Pirner.

**Bulletins** are in memory of Karl and Selma Hess from Gladys Gladden and Juanita Muck.

**Please pray for our members, family and friends:** Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Beckett Michael Karr (parents

Geoff and Lauren Karr), Jimmy Fairchild, Melissa Parscal, Larry Rizner, Lee Thompson, August Begemann, Michelle Heymeyer, Abel Green, Jerry Watson, Lonnie Schneider, George Seifert, Doug Blaha, Tommy Thompson, Allen Schmutzler, Janet Miller, Stanley Eikermann

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**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM SAFE CHURCH COMMITTEE & WORSHIP COMMITTEE RE: WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY:**

*As we resume worshipping in the sanctuary, things will be done differently for the safety of all. We ask for your patience as we adjust to the new way of doing things. Things to remember are:*

- Everyone's temperature will be taken before entering the building.
- Everyone must wear a mask. If you need a mask, we will have one available.
- Practice social distancing of 6 feet.
- No hand shaking or hugging.
- No lingering in aisles or building before and after the service.
- Ushers will assist with seating.
- **Ushers will dismiss worshippers following the postlude. Worshippers should exit the sanctuary and building through the same door they entered the building and sanctuary. Remember to social distance when exiting.**
- Unrelated or persons not living in the same household should not ride together in the elevator.

**Offering Baskets** are located at the back of the sanctuary, and also up front by the doors next to the chancel platform for you to place your offering envelopes.

**Usher Announcement:** During this unusual time, ushering requires more than the four ushers at a typical service. We've been using at least eight for each service which is more than any team has. If you would be willing to lend a helping hand, please contact Mary Ann Wippermann at [mlwipper@embarqmail.com](mailto:mlwipper@embarqmail.com) or call 636-3685.

**Summer Lunch Program:** The Second Christian Church will continue providing lunches for children ages 17 and under again this year. The dates are May 28 through August 23. Donations may be placed in a basket in the narthex (NO nuts please).

Items needed:

Pudding cups

Jello-O cups

Fruit cups

Cupcakes

Brownies

Cookies

Fruit Snacks

Potato Chips/other chips

Snack Cakes

Condiment Packets

Bottled Water

Juices

Kool-Aid Packets for water

Money to help buy meats and cheese (*payable to Second Christian Church*)

**July Festival of Sharing Kit:**

Missouri Student Dental Pack

4 child sized soft toothbrushes in original packaging

2 adult soft toothbrushes in original packaging

1 dental floss or 1 package of floss picks (any size)

1 fluoride toothpaste (6oz. or larger)

**Blood Drive:** If you are planning to donate blood at the church blood drive on July 28, you will need to make an appointment. Call 1-800-733-2767 or go to [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org) and use sponsor code: CARDS to schedule an appointment. All donors will receive a St. Louis Cardinals Blood Drive T-shirt. To volunteer with the blood drive, please see sign-up sheet in this bulletin.

**VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET  
FOR RED CROSS BLOOD MOBILE  
Tuesday, July 28, 2020  
Location: Central UCC Gym**

Workers are needed for the Canteen and to take the temperature of all donors as they come in. If you can work, please sign up below. No homemade treats this year due to COVID-19 and Red Cross rules. Accepting donations for Red Cross approved snacks. The Mission and Outreach Ministry will purchase fruit popsicles and other packaged items like peanut butter crackers or cheese crackers. Since the Red Cross began testing for antibodies in the blood, the number of people has dramatically increased at drives. We need to be prepared for a full day of donors. A mask will be required for all workers and donors.

Sign-up sheets are *due Sunday, July 26*. You can drop it in the offering plate or give to Susan Poettgen.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please ✓ which shift(s) you can work.**

**Canteen:**

10:30 – 12:30      \_\_\_\_\_

12:30 – 2:30      \_\_\_\_\_

2:30 – 4:30      \_\_\_\_\_

4:30 – 6:30      \_\_\_\_\_

# COVID-19 WORSHIP PREFERENCES QUESTIONNAIRE

*Please circle your preference, and leave questionnaire on pew.*

1. **HYMNS:**

Less

More

Just Right

2. **SPECIAL MUSIC:**

Live

Recorded

Don't Care

3. **RESPONSES:**

Less

More

Just Right

4. **PASSING THE PEACE ALTERNATIVES:**

Yes

No

Don't Care

5. **CREEDS:**

Have

Don't Have

Vary

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Your presence and participation are an important part of shaping this experience of worship for all of us. Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here!

If you are a guest here today, we would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community. If you have any questions about joining us in ministry, please contact the Pastor.

Ministers.....	Every Member
Pastor.....	Rev. Dr. Judith Scott
Director of Music.....	Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director.....	Rene Miserez
Organist.....	Shirley Klein

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