

CENTRAL

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



September 20, 2020
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 a.m.

The Mission of
Central United Church of Christ is...
to be a Christ-centered community
of faithful disciples, called
to SHARE GOD'S LOVE
with each other,
our community
and our world.

PRELUDE

“All People That On Earth Do Dwell”

- David Cherwien

OPENING HYMN “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation!
O, my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before
Him!

Let the Amen sound from His people again:
Gladly for aye we adore Him!

CALL TO WORSHIP

United in one spirit,
we are called to stand strongly.
United in one mind,
we are called to live faithfully.
United in one God,
we are called to love abundantly.

GATHERING PRAYER

**Love through us, living God, in the power of your Holy Spirit.
Love through us, Holy One, by the grace of Jesus Christ.
Strengthen our faith, that we may respond with trust and hope.
In your mighty name, we pray. Amen.**

GREETING “We Are One in the Spirit”

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.

AFFIRMATION OF MINISTRY

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Rene Miserez

AWARDING OF BIBLES

Grayson Sellers

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Question and Answer #1:

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own,

1. but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—

2. to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

3. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,

4. and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

5. He also watches over me in such a way

6. that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven;

7. in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

In the past, many of the Evangelical and Reformed churches in this area required confirmands to memorize the Heidelberg Catechism. It was composed in the city of Heidelberg, Germany, at the request of Elector Frederick III in the late 1500s. We are told “The new catechism was intended as a tool for teaching young people, a guide for preaching in the provincial churches, and a form of confessional unity among the several Protestant factions in the Palatinate.” (Notes to the Catechism.) It was approved by the Synod of Dort in 1619, and soon became known as the most ecumenical of the Reformed catechisms and confessions.

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.

OFFERTORY SCRIPTURE

Malachi 3:10a “Bring the full tithe into the storehouse...and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts.”

CLOSING HYMN “Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart”

Rejoice, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high,

The cross of Christ your King!

RERAIN:

Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice give thanks and sing.

Then on, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks and sing;
Your glorious banner wave on high,
The cross of Christ your King!

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *“Prelude and Fugue in F Major”* - J.S. Bach

(All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI)

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

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
September 20 – September 27

TODAY:	Rally Day	
	Worship	10:00am
	Children's Sunday School	10:15am
WED:	Young Youth	3:00pm
	Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:15pm
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Worship	10:00am
	Children's Sunday School	10:15am

Worship attendance last Sunday: 59

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Nancy from Walt Rottmann.

The special arrangement brings a "Happy Anniversary" to Larry and Ruth Long as they celebrate 60 years of marriage on September 24th. The arrangement is given by their children, grandchildren, and great-grandson.

Bulletins are given in honor of the musicians of Central Church who continue to sanctify and glorify God with their talents. Sign on a German opera – "Bach gave us God's word, Mozart gave us God's laughter, Beethoven gave us God's fire, God gave us music that we might pray without words," from Alan Bagnall.

Our sympathy is expressed Carl and Shirley Ernst's family in the recent loss of Carl's family members: brother, John Ernst, who passed away September 14; sister-in-law, Beverly Ernst, who passed away August 22; niece's husband, Mark Moore, who passed away July 3; and brother-in-law, Jerry Critz, who passed away May 13.

Our sympathy is expressed to the family of Evelyn (LePage) Loethen who passed away September 13. Services were held September 18.

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, George Seifert, Doug Blaha, Tommy Thompson, Allen Schmutzler, Janet Miller, Lonnie Schneider, Carl and Shirley Ernst's Family, Family of Evelyn Loethen

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The 90+ birthday listing has been updated to include 85+ birthdays. If there is someone you want to make certain is on the monthly listing, please contact the church office at 635-1041 or office@centralucc.com. If you know someone whose preference is to not publish his/her birthday, please contact the church office. (*Birth year will not be publicized, only month/day.*)

85+ Birthdays this month –

NORMA FARLEY 9/06
1810 St. Mary's Blvd.
Jefferson City, MO 65109

JUANITA MUCK (9/14)
Primrose Retirement Community

1214 Freedom Blvd., Apt. 235
Jefferson City, MO 65109

ELROYD RENFROW (9/14)
680 Oak Creek Ct.
Jefferson City, MO 65101

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.
- 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 up front by the doors next to the chancel platform for you to place your offering envelopes.

Rally Day is today, September 20! The annual potluck picnic typically held on Rally Day at the Sander's Farm is cancelled due to Covid-19; however, homemade cookies and Central Dairy ice cream cups will be given out by our children at the doors as you leave after the worship service. Thank you to Larry Long, Susan

Poettgen, and Pam Schmutzler for the cookies and ice cream cups from the Faith Formation Ministry.



RALLY DAY

SUNDAY, SEPT. 20

Children entering the second grade
will be presented with a Bible.

Children's Sunday School will take place
every Sunday after the Children's Message.

The graphic features the words "RALLY DAY" in a large, bold, black, distressed font at the top. Below the text is a row of ten stylized, cartoonish children of various ethnicities and genders, all with their arms raised in celebration. Below the children, the date "SUNDAY, SEPT. 20" is written in a bold, grey, sans-serif font. At the bottom, two lines of text in a black, sans-serif font provide details about the event: "Children entering the second grade will be presented with a Bible." and "Children's Sunday School will take place every Sunday after the Children's Message."

Congratulations, Faith Formation Committee, on finding teachers and helpers for our rotational Sunday School! Bibles will be given to second graders today, on Rally Day!

An informal request to ALL: Make a call to your Central friends and family to ask how everything is going. In these Covid-19 times, many are lonely and/or depressed from being housebound so often. Just pick up a phone to ask how everyone one is doing these days.

Watch for exciting future announcements from Congregational Life Committee!

September Festival of Sharing Kit: The Mission and Outreach Ministry will be collecting items for the Missouri Family Food Boxes during September. Please place items in the box in the narthex. Donated items must be exactly as below:

- 3 different cans of vegetables 14.5 oz. (one peas, one green beans, one corn or carrots, other veggies)
- 3 cans tuna 5 oz.
- 3 pkgs. macaroni & cheese
- 3 different cans of fruit 14.5 oz. (one peaches, one pears, one fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges or other fruit)
- 1 can pasta sauce
- 1 jar peanut butter
- 1 lb. pasta
- 3 cans chicken (tuna can size at Dollar General)

The Elenor Circle is once again working on filling School Kits with school supplies for children who have little or none. This will go to the Festival of Sharing as in the past. We are not in competition with Susan Poettgen and the Outreach Ministry – we are working with them. This is one of the Elenor Circle’s mission projects that we work on each year. If you would like to donate to this mission, financially, please see Susan Poettgen, Ruth Long, Linda Heller, or any circle member. Checks should be *made payable to “Elenor Circle.”* Thank you for your help.

Relay for Life of Cole County A Week of Hope – Team Central UCC Women invite you to check out this year’s virtual Relay for Life event taking place September 14 – 20. You can do this from the comfort of your own home each evening from 7:00 – 9:00pm on the Relay’s website, www.relayforlife.org/colecomo, or Facebook page, @rflcolemo. The schedule for the week is: Monday, 9/14, opening ceremony; Tuesday, 9/15, survivor celebration; Wednesday, 9/16, recognition celebration;

Thursday, 9/17, caregiver celebration; Friday, 9/18, fight back ceremony; Saturday, 9/19, memorial ceremony; and Sunday, 9/20, closing ceremony. Also, on Saturday, September 19, from 7:00 – 9:00pm, there will be a luminaria display downtown in the 100 and 200 blocks of East High Street. Along with the nightly events, there will be an on-line silent auction starting at 7:00pm on September 14 and ending at 7:00pm on September 20. Check out all the great items donated by many of the teams at 32auctions.com/rflcolego. You can preview all the items on the website any time prior to the start of bidding on the 14th. All money raised goes to the American Cancer Society and is credited to the teams providing the items. It's not too late to support Central UCC Women by giving your donation to either Mary Ann Wippermann, Jeanne Kujath, or Connie Pack or going to the Relay's website, clicking on donate, entering Central UCC Women in the search box, and following the instructions.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here! We would love to have you become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community.

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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