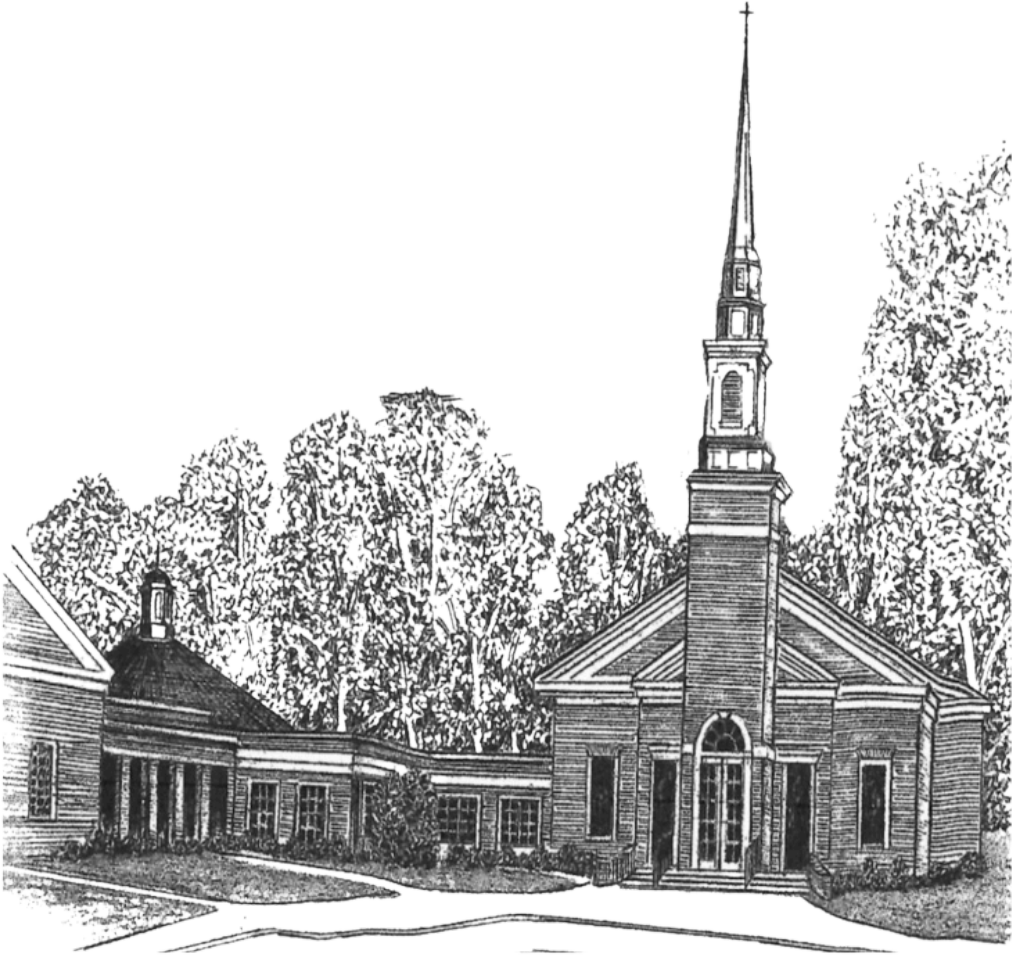


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10:00 A.M. Blended Modern and Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

† *Please rise in body or spirit* | Congregational responses are in **bold**.

PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Dan Forrest

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you
And also with you!

† CALL TO WORSHIP

† CHORAL RESPONSE

He Lives

UMH 310, VERSE 1

† HYMN OF PRAISE

Christ Is Alive

UMH 318

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER HYMN

In Christ Alone

Getty/Townend

Verse 1 In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2 In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3 There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4 No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

ANTHEM

O God Beyond All Praising

arr. Rodney Abriol

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Living Hope

Wickham/Johnson

✠ DOXOLOGY

Praise, God From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✠ SONG OF PREPARATION

Because He Lives (Amen)

Maher/Tomlin

Verse 1 I believe in the Son
I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood
GO TO CHORUS

Chorus Amen amen
I'm alive I'm alive because He lives
Amen amen
Let my song join the one that never ends
Because He lives

Verse 2 I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away
GO TO CHORUS

Bridge Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone
I know He holds my life
My future in His hand
GO TO CHORUS AND SING TWICE

SCRIPTURE

John 21:1-11 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

"The Net Was Not Torn"

✠ HYMN OF DEDICATION

Fairest Lord Jesus

UMH 189

✠ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

arr. Mary McDonald

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Dr. Bill White, Jr. | *Senior Pastor*

Rev. JD Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Erica Kirby | *Director of Children's Ministries*

Nathan Clements | *Organist* Central Choir 801 Praise!

Ushers: David and Kalli Clements Greeters: Matt and Nancy Gustafson

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WELCOME TO **central**

Welcome to our Traditional Worship Service at Central! We're so glad you've joined us today as we come together in reverence, community, and praise. While we embrace the timeless traditions of our faith, we also seek to create a welcoming space where modern hearts can connect with the rich history and deep meaning of our worship. Whether you're here for the first time or have been with us for years, you belong!

We hope you find a sense of peace, inspiration, and connection as we lift our voices and prayers together. Welcome home!

Children are always welcome to remain in the worship service. Toddlers and Children through 2nd grade are invited to Kid's Worship following the Children's Message.



ONE BODY IN CHRIST
CONNECTING WITH



GOD
EACH OTHER
COMMUNITY



Sunday Mornings

9:00 A.M. • Sunday School

10:00 A.M. • Blended Modern and Traditional Worship Service | Sanctuary
Stream online at centralumcmonroe.org/media

Tuesday Evenings

6:00 P.M. • Dinner Church | FLC

First time visitor?

Visit centralumcmonroe.org/iamnew!

Welcome to Central United Methodist Church in Monroe, NC, where we believe in a holistic approach to ministry. We address the needs of the whole person: body, mind, and spirit. We have numerous ministries and programs that enable us to effectively serve God, our community, and each other.

Come and experience our vibrant and meaningful worship, where faith is formed and reformed and connections are strengthened through fellowship.

We hope that you will live out your call to Christian Discipleship by uniting with Central UMC, share your spiritual gifts and talents, and be a witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Yours In Christ,
Dr. Bill White, Jr.
"Dr. Bill"
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Upcoming Opportunities

Apr. 19 Youth Group, 2 P.M.

Apr. 20 New Beginnings Circle, 6 P.M.

Apr. 22 Finance Committee Meeting, 6 P.M.
801 Praise! Rehearsal, 6 P.M.
Central Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 P.M.

Apr. 23 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.

Apr. 25 UWF Indoor Yard and Bake Sale, 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Apr. 26 Youth Group, 2 P.M.

Apr. 27 Board of Trustees Meeting, 6 P.M.

Apr. 29 Youth Sunday Practice, 4:30 P.M.
Administrative Council Meeting, 6 P.M.

Apr. 30 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.

May 2 Youth Sunday Practice, 10:30 A.M.

May 3 Youth Sunday, 10 A.M.

For more details about Central's Upcoming Opportunities and to view the full Central Link, visit centralumcmonroe.org/news OR visit the NEWS icon on the Central App home page!