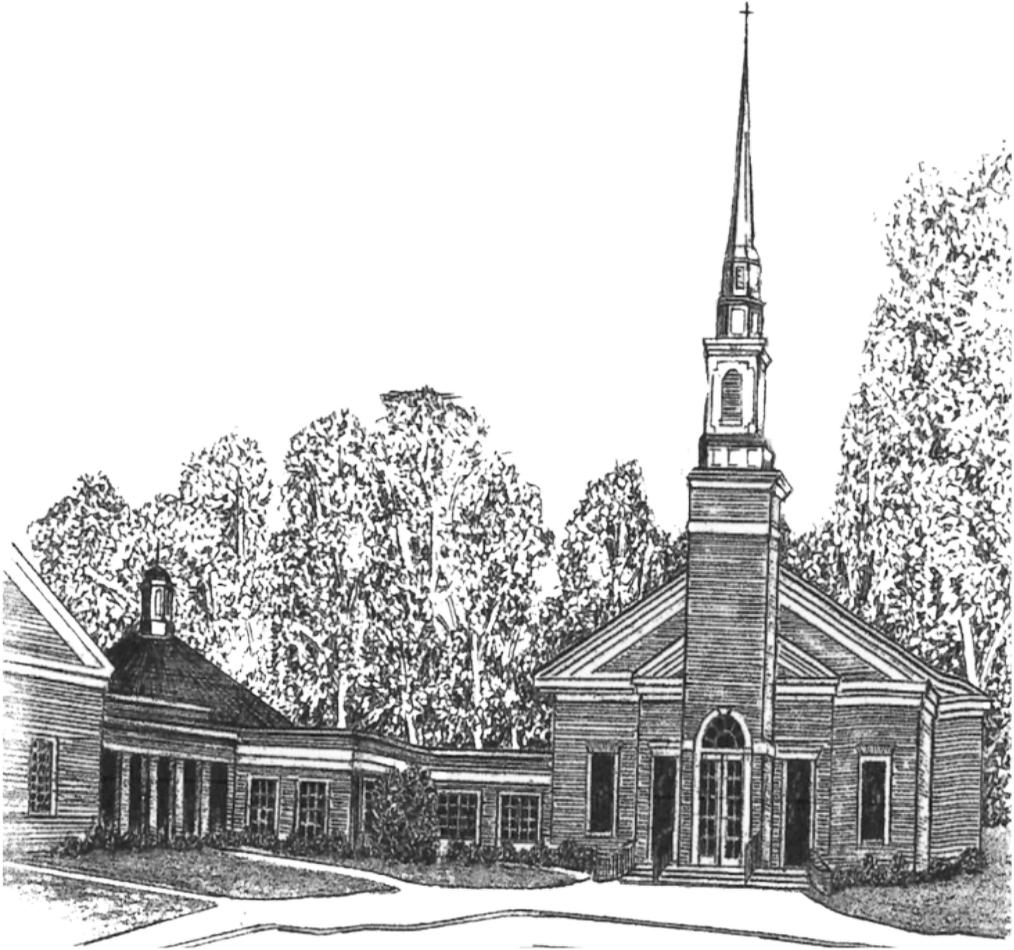


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11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

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

PRELUDE

Were You There

arr. Dallas Blair

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you
And also with you!

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

† **CHORAL RESPONSE**

UMH 269, VERSES 4-5

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

UMH 127

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER HYMN

Fill My Cup, Lord

UMH 641

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

Lamb of God

arr. Craig Courtney

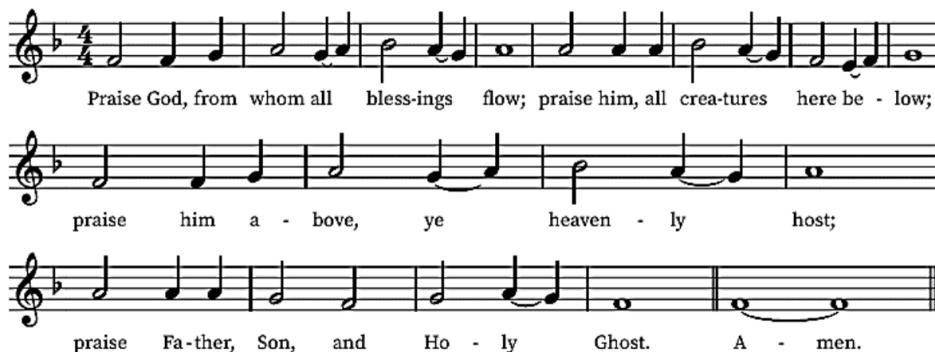
PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY

Lenten Doxology

HAMBURG



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low;
praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 340

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

SCRIPTURE

John 4:1-15 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Give Me this Water”

† HYMN OF DEDICATION

UMH 295

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in g minor, BWV 558

J.S. Bach

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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

Rev. JD Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Erica Kirby | *Director of Children's Ministries*

Nathan Clements | *Organist*

Ed Mills | *Trumpet*

Chancel Choir

Ushers: John & Mary Ann Burns Greeters: David & Amy Paschal

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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

A graphic logo for Lent, featuring a purple cross with a green leafy branch extending from the bottom. The word "Lent" is written in a large, purple, serif font, and "at central" is written in a smaller, grey, sans-serif font below it.
Lent
at **central**



Sunday Mornings

9:00 A.M. · Modern Worship | Central Hall
10:00 A.M. · Sunday School
11:00 A.M. · Traditional Worship | 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"
Senior Pastor



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Upcoming Opportunities

- Mar. 8 Mobile Blood Drive, 9:30 A.M.
Youth Group, 3 P.M.
- Mar. 9 Grace and Mercy Circle, 6:30 P.M.
- Mar. 10-12 Dr. Bill attending Board of Ordained Ministry
- Mar. 11 Central Ringers Rehearsal, 5:30 P.M.
801! Praise Rehearsal, 6 P.M.
Festival Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 P.M.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7: 45 P.M.
- Mar. 12 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.
Central Friends, 12 P.M.
- Mar. 13 UWF Executive Meeting, 2 P.M.
- Mar. 14 Bingo Party for Adults with Special Needs, 2 P.M.
- Mar. 15 Youth Group, 3 P.M.
- Mar. 16 New Beginnings Circle, 6 P.M.
- Mar. 18 Central Ringers Rehearsal, 5:30 P.M.
- Mar. 19 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.
Birthday Club, 11:30 A.M.
801! Praise Rehearsal, 6 P.M.
Festival Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 P.M.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7: 45 P.M.
- Mar. 20 Ignite US Retreat
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- Mar. 20 Stephen Ministers, 9:30 A.M.
- Mar. 21 Central Squares, 8:00 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!