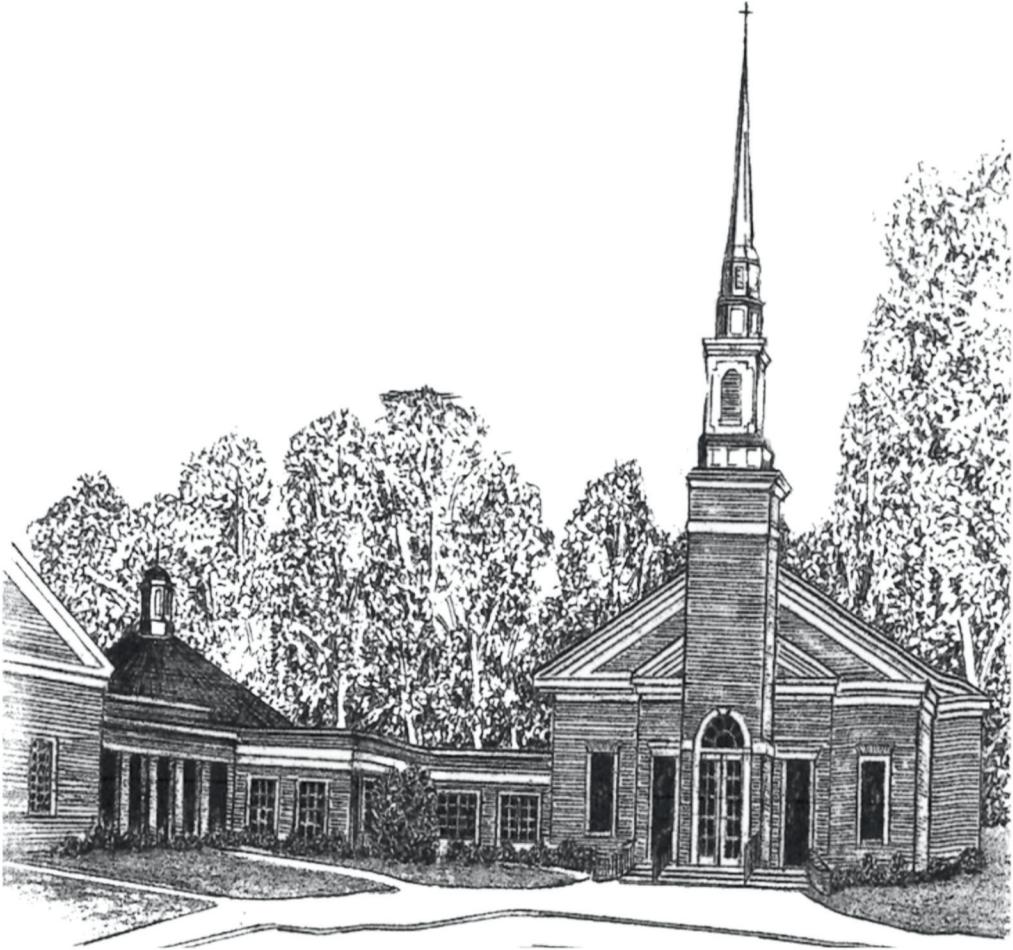


# central

united methodist church monroe



**MARCH 22, 2026**  
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11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

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

**PRELUDE**

*Near the Cross*

arr. Cindy Berry

**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**

*I Am Thine, O Lord*

UMH 419

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**PRAYER HYMN**

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

UMH 420

**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.**

# PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

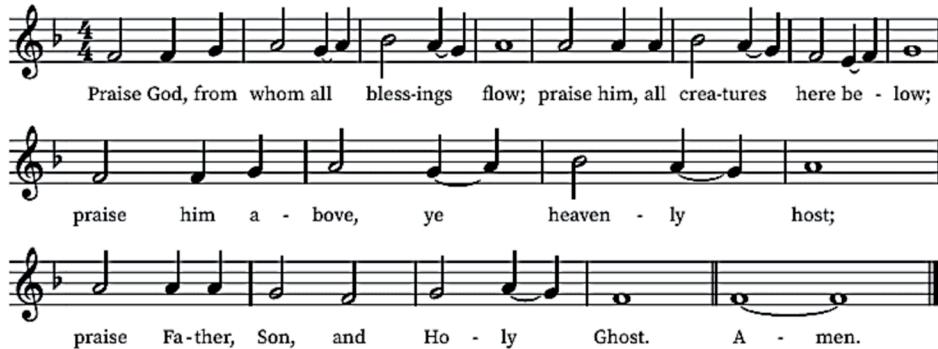
*At the Cross*

arr. C. McMiller

✠ DOXOLOGY

*Lenten Doxology*

HAMBURG



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures 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 393

*Spirit of the Living God*

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 37:1-14 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Can These Bones Live?”

✠ HYMN OF DEDICATION

UMH 382

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Jesus Paid It All*

arr. R. Manuel

# SERVING IN WORSHIP

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

Rev. JD Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Erica Kirby | *Director of Children's Ministries*

Cindy Sartain | *Organist*

Chancel Choir

Ushers: Ken & Jane Neese    Greeters: Jack Hargett & David English

## OUR STAFF

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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 icon for Lent, featuring a purple cross with a purple letter 'M' in the center, set against a background of green leaves.  
**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](http://centralumcmonroe.org/media)

## Tuesday Evenings

6:00 P.M. · Dinner Church | FLC

**First time visitor?**  
Visit [centralumcmonroe.org/iamnew!](http://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



**Next Sunday!**  
10:00 A.M. Combined Worship  
With Gathering Music at 9:50 A.M.  
Central UMC Monroe Sanctuary

- Mar. 25 Central Ringers, 5:30 P.M.  
801! Praise Rehearsal, 6 P.M.  
Festival Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 P.M.
- Mar. 26 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.  
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.  
Festival Choir Rehearsal, 6 P.M.
- Mar. 29 Palm Sunday Worship, 10 A.M.  
Youth Group, 3 P.M.
- Mar. 31 Festival Choir Rehearsal, 6 P.M.
- Apr. 1 Central Ringers Rehearsal, 5:30 P.M.
- Apr. 2 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.  
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.  
Maundy Thursday Service, 7 P.M.
- Apr. 3 Good Friday Service, 7 P.M.
- Apr. 4 Children's Easter Egg Hunt, 10 A.M.  
Festival Choir/Central Ringers Rehearsal, 10 A.M.
- Apr. 5 Easter Sunday Worship, 10 A.M.
- Apr. 6 Office Closed - Observance of Easter Monday

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