

central

united methodist church monroe



MAY 24, 2026

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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

Fugue in C Major, BWV 174
Dietrich Buxtehude

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you
And also with you!

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

† **CHORAL RESPONSE**

Surely the Presence

UMH 328

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Spirit Song

UMH 347

PASSING OF THE PEACE

DEDICATION OF VIRGINIA BJORLIN HISTORY ROOM

PRAYER SONG

Holy Spirit
Bryan and Katie Torwalt

Congregation,
led by 801Praise!
please see insert for words

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

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
George Croly and Frederick C. Atkinson

Chancel Choir

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

The Power of Your Love
Geoff Bullock

Nathan Jones

✝ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

✝ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✝ SONG OF PREPARATION

The Potter's Hand
Darlene Zschech

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SCRIPTURE

Psalm 145 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Honoring our Past, Embracing our Present, Trusting
God for our Future”

✝ HYMN OF DEDICATION

Forward Through the Ages
(Same tune as “Onward Christian Soldiers”)

UMH 555

✝ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Nun freut euch, lieben Christen g'mein, BWV 734
 (“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”)
JS Bach

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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

Rev. JD Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Nathan Jones | *Director of Music Ministries*

Erica Kirby | *Director of Children's Ministries*

Chancel Choir

801Praise!

Ushers: Sean and Lisa Daly

Greeters: David English and Bill Sullivan

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WELCOME TO **central**

Welcome to our Blended Modern and 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

PRAYER SONG

Holy Spirit

Bryan and Katie Torwalt

Verse There's nothing worth more
That will ever come close
No thing can compare
You're our living hope
Your presence
I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
and My shame is undone
In Your presence, Lord

Chorus Holy Spirit, you are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by your presence, Lord
Your presence, Lord

[Repeat Verse]

[Repeat Chorus]

Bridge Let us become more aware
Of Your presence
Let us experience
The glory of your goodness
[Repeat Four Times]

[Repeat Chorus]

SONG OF PREPARATION

The Potter's Hand

Darlene Zschech

Verse 1 Beautiful Lord, wonderful Saviour
I know for sure
All of my days are held in Your hands
And crafted into Your perfect plan

Verse 2 You gently call me into Your presence
Guiding me by Your holy spirit
Teach me, dear Lord, to live all of my life
Through Your eyes

Pre-Chorus I'm captured by Your holy calling
Set me apart
I know You're drawing me to Yourself
Lead me Lord, I pray

Chorus Take me, mold me, use me, fill me
I give my life to the Potter's hand
Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me
I give my life to the Potter's hand

[Repeat Verse 2, Pre-Chorus, and Chorus]

[Repeat Chorus]



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

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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

May 24 Heritage Sunday

May 25 Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

May 26-28 Dr. Bill - Out of Office, Attending his Father-In-Law's Funeral in Pennsylvania

May 27 801Praise!, 6:00 P.M.
Chancel Choir, 7:00 P.M.

May 28 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.

June 1 SPRC Meeting, 6:00 P.M.

June 3 801Praise!, 6:00 P.M.
Chancel Choir, 7:00 P.M.

June 4 Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Soul Food Bible Study, 10 A.M.

June 7 Graduate Sunday

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!