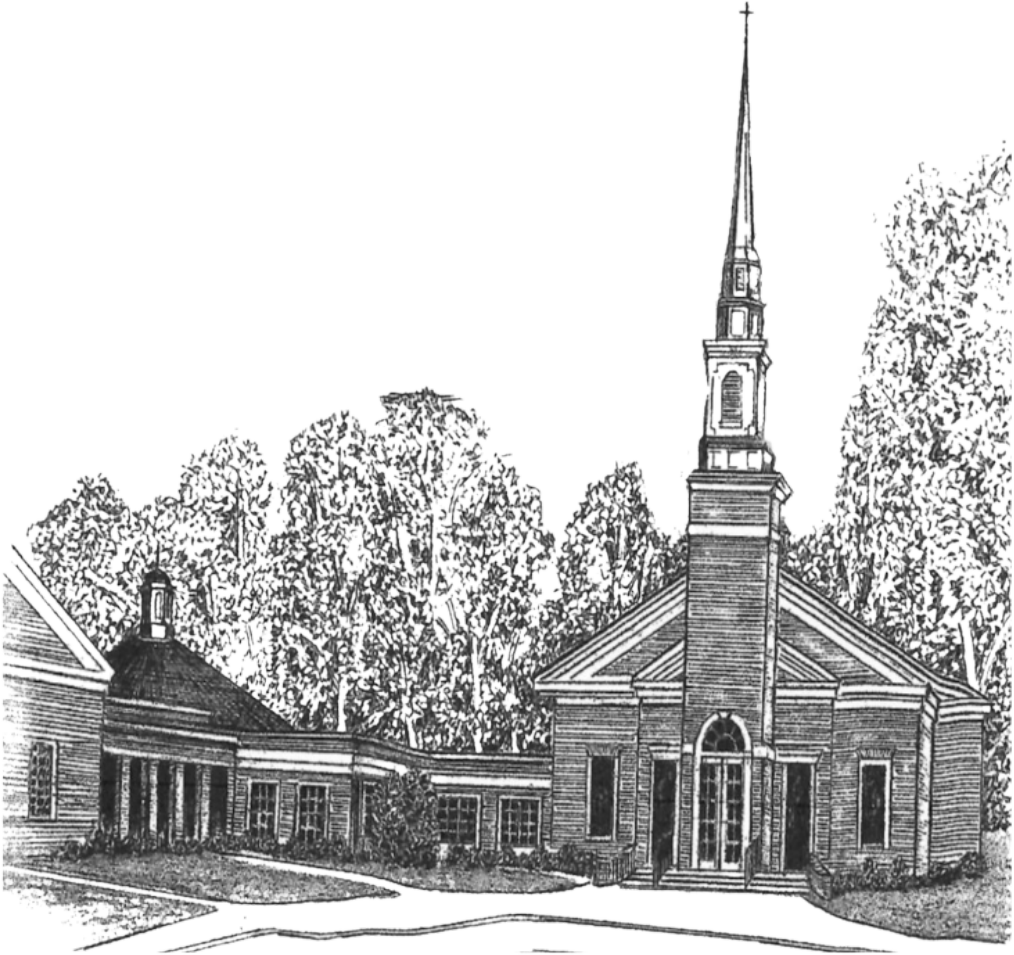


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10:00 A.M. Blended Modern and Traditional Worship | Sanctuary

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

PRELUDE

Where He Leads Me
arr. C. Berry

GREETING

The Lord be with you
And also with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introduction of New Memory Care Ministry

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

† **CHORAL RESPONSE**

Surely the Presence

UMH 328

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Take My Life, and Let It Be

UMH 399

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER SONG

As the Deer
TFWS 2025

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Goodness of God
arr. R. Kingsmore

Cindy Sartain

✝ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

✝ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✝ SONG OF PREPARATION

Thy Word Is a Lamp

UMH 601
Congregation,
led by 801Praise!

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

“Sow the Word”

✝ HYMN OF DEDICATION

Freely, Freely

UMH 389

✝ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lead On, O King Eternal
arr. C. Berry

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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

Rev. JD Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Cindy Sartain | *Pianist*

Chancel Choir

801Praise!

Ushers: Sean and Lisa Marie Daly Greeters: Jack Hargett and Jackson Hargett

OUR STAFF

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

Rev. JD Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Nathan Jones | *Director of Music Ministries*

Julie Miles | *Director of Youth Ministries*

Erica Kirby | *Director of Children's & Weekday Ministries*

Debbie Eggleston | *Business Administrator*

Jessica Parker | *Administrative Assistant*

Sylvia Jenkins | *Custodian*



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

As the Deer

Caleb Culver, Cory Asbury, Ran Jackson

As the deer pants for the water

So my soul longs after you

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship you

You alone are my strength, my shield

To you alone may my spirit yield

You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship you

[Repeat]



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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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!

Upcoming Opportunities

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| July 27 | Board of Trustees, 6 P.M. |
| July 29 | Administrative Council, 6 P.M.
801 Praise! Rehearsal, 6 P.M.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7 P.M. |
| July 30 | Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Nehemiah Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. |
| Aug. 1 | UWF Indoor Yard/Bake Sale,
7:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. |
| Aug. 2 | Hospitality Social after Worship Service |
| Aug. 3 | SPRC, 6 P.M. |
| Aug. 6 | Men's Breakfast Group, 8 A.M.
Nehemiah Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. |
| Aug. 9 | Back to School Blessing at Worship Service |



We have several discipleship opportunities at Central:

- Director of Missions
- Director of Young Adult Ministry

If you feel called or are interested in serving in one of these areas, please contact the church office at 704-289-3186 or jparker@centralumcmonroe.org.