

Central

United Methodist Church



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10:00 A.M. Combined Worship | Sanctuary

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

As the Prelude begins, please be seated and let there be silence in the Sanctuary.

PRELUDE

Consider and Hear Me

Carl Pflueger

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

Battle Hymn of the Republic

UMH 717

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER SONG

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Chris Tomlin

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine

But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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

Revelation Song

Jennie Lee Riddle

✝ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✝ SONG OF PREPARATION

Who You Say I Am

Morgan/Fielding

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God yes I am

Free at last He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep While I was a slave
To sin Jesus died for me

Who the Son sets free oh is free
indeed I'm a child of God yes I am
In my Father's house there's a place
for me I'm a child of God yes I am

I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10:38-42 (NRSV)

SERMON

Have You Chosen the Better Portion?

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Adapted Table 2

THE INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON

The table of the Lord is open to all who love him. Let us repent of our sins and seek to live in peace with one another.

Almighty God, we confess that we have not followed your call to live fully as your disciples. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, we pray. Bless us with renewed faithfulness to live as true servants of Jesus. Amen.

Sisters and brothers, Christ loves you and forgives you!

Christ loves you and forgives you! Glory to God. Amen!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

As we lift our hearts to the Lord, we remember that it is a right, good, and joyful thing to always give our hearts to you, our Creator. You formed us in your image and called us to be your people. When humanity failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from slavery to sin and death by the passion and resurrection of Jesus. You made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he blessed bread and cup with thanksgiving to you. He instructed his disciples to eat and drink in remembrance of his broken body, and the blood poured out for forgiveness. Doing so, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his Heavenly banquet.

Amen.

THE GIVING AND RECEIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Bill White, Jr. | **Concelebrant:** Rev. J.D. Moffett

Communion Assistants: David & Susan Helms and Jason & Sharon Kendall

✝ **HYMN OF DEDICATION** *There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood*

UMH 622

✝ **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

MARION

Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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

Rev. J.D. Moffett | *Associate Pastor*

Erica Kirby | *Director of Children's Ministries*

Suzanne Lowry | *Organist*

Summer Choir

Praise Team

Ushers: David & Amy Paschal and James & Trevor Clements

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Dallas Rollins by his family.