



**September 23, 2018**  
**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY**  
**AFTER PENTECOST**  
**10:00 a.m.**

## The Mission of

Central United Church of Christ is...

to be  
a Christ-centered community  
of faithful disciples,  
who are called  
to GROW IN FAITH, and  
to SHARE GOD'S LOVE  
as we REACH OUT  
to each other,  
to our community  
and to our world.

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\* indicates please stand, as you are able

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

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**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

Who is wise and understanding among us?

**Those who seek wisdom and understanding each and every day. Those who delight in God and meditate on God’s law.**

Come, learn more about the wisdom from above, a wisdom that yields a harvest of righteousness.

**O God, your wisdom is more precious than jewels! We draw near to you.**

**\*CHORAL INTROIT**

**\*GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

**We draw near to you, O God, source of all understanding, and ask you to draw near to us. Teach us your wisdom from above, that we may bear good fruit in our lives. Amen.**

**\*PRAISE HYMN**

“God Is Love”

#76

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TO HEAR GOD’S WORD**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI (sung in unison)**  
**Glory be to the Father**  
**and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,**  
**as it was in the beginning,**  
**is now, and ever shall be,**  
**world without end. Amen, amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Proverbs 31:10-31

James 3:13-4:3, 7, 8a

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**CHOIR ANTHEM** “Lord, I Want To Be A Christian” - Thompson

Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart;  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart, in-a my heart,  
In-a my heart, in-a my heart,  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian, in-a my heart, in-a my heart;  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart. In-a my heart,  
Lord, in-a my heart, in-a my heart, in-a my heart, ah.  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving, in-a my heart, in-a my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more loving, in-a my heart.  
In-a my heart, Lord, in-a my heart, in-a my heart, ah.  
Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart.  
(Rene Miserez, soprano)

**SERMON**

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

## **\*THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
Born of the Virgin Mary,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried:  
He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
One holy and universal Christian Church;  
The Communion of Saints;  
The Forgiveness of sins;  
The Resurrection of the body,  
And the Life everlasting.  
Amen.

*(Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer, 1662)*

## **TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)**

**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 debts, as**

**we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **CHORAL RESPONSE**

### **OFFERING**

#### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**            “Lord, Thee I Love”            - Karg-Elert

**\*THE DOXOLOGY** (sung in **unison**)  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**  
**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**  
**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;**  
**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*DEDICATION PRAYER** (in **unison**)  
**Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us**  
**to be your friends,**  
**and to know your will in the world.**  
**Therefore, we pray in Jesus’ name**  
**that these tithes and offerings**  
**spread your love near and far. Amen.**

## **AND GO FORTH IN LOVE**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**    “O Gracious Father of Mankind”    #235

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

“Look Up My Soul”

- Elmore

***Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.***

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**THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES**

**September 23-30**

TODAY:	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Children’s Sunday School	10:15am
MON:	W.I.G.S. Circle	6:30pm
	Scouts	7:00pm
TUES:	Prime Time Club	11:30am
WED:	Quilting	9:00am
	Young Youth Afterschool Activities	3:45pm
	Bell Choir	6:15pm
	Senior Choir	7:00pm
FRI:	Oktoberfest German Dinner	4:30pm – 7:00pm
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Children’s Sunday School	10:15am

**Attendance Last Sunday: 96**

**Altar flowers** are in memory of my parents August and Betty Sundermeyer from Susan Poettgen.

**Bulletins** are in honor of Walt Rottmann’s birthday from JoAnn and Ron Benne.

**Please pray for our members, family and friends:** Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Kathryn Waite, Audrey Hoelscher Bruemmer, Jacquie Howser, Tonya Berhorst

**Pastoral Care** – Rev. Stoneburner has agreed to fill-in for emergency pastoral care. If you have a need for pastoral care, please call the church office at 635-1041, and they will be in contact with Rev. Stoneburner.

**Our thanks and appreciation to Rev. Dr. Judith Scott** for leading us in worship and presenting the message this morning.

**Consider joining the CUCC Choir!** We have just begun again for Fall. We rehearse on Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the choir room. Our fellowship is a wonderful way to strengthen the CUCC community!

**The “Parent Chapel” is available during worship** and at all times for parents/grandparents with babies and young toddlers. The chapel is located at the right front side of the sanctuary into the hallway. It’s the first door on the right side of the hallway.

**Helpers are needed for Children’s Sunday School!** September is open – two helpers are needed for each Sunday. We can also help you with preparation. If you would like to help with Sunday School or have questions about Faith Formation, please reach out to Amber Gonzales or Patti Schmutzler. There is also an email address: [cuccfaith@gmail.com](mailto:cuccfaith@gmail.com).

**Please note:** The procedure for charging items on the church’s account at Schulte’s Grocery has changed. Effective immediately, you will need to stop by the church office to pick-



up an approval letter before making purchases on the church's account. Schulte's has been informed of the changes and will not allow purchases without an approval letter. If you have any questions, please contact Carl Ernst, Finance Ministry Chair.

**Prime Time Club will meet Tuesday, September 25**, for their monthly carry-in luncheon around 11:30 a.m. the speaker will be Mary Mitchell who will tell us about what is happening at the Missouri State Archives. Please come join us.

**An upcoming big day! On Sunday, September 30, the family of Walt Rottmann** invites you to celebrate Walt's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with a cake during coffee hour! Make plans to stop by and wish him well on being four score plus ten and enjoy some cake. (His birthday is actually October 1.)

**Your help is needed for the Project Homeless Connect event on October 19.** Many volunteers are needed to work the day before and the day of the event, Oct. 19 (see registration forms in the library or narthex area):

October 18 — Assemble care packages and donations, or set-up vendor tables and chairs.

October 19 —

*7:30am—10:30am:* Help with set-up, monitor shower area, and monitor clothing donations

*8:00am—12:00pm:* Register and guide guests, assist with food preparation/service, act as host or monitor the dining area, monitor shower area, and monitor the clothing donations.

*12:30pm—4:00pm:* Register and guide guests, assist with food preparation/service, act as host or monitor the dining area, monitor shower area, and monitor the clothing donations, breakdown and clean-up.

**Keep up-to-date on church activities and events** – If you would like to be current on what’s going on in the church, and upcoming events, “Like” our Facebook page. If you already have a Facebook account, you can easily do that by scanning the QR Code below with the camera on your internet-connected phone or any questions, please contact Alan Bagnull.



**UCC Disaster Ministries** is responding to the needs of people affected by 2018 hurricanes. UCC’s actions focus on the most vulnerable by addressing injustice, responding to the whole community, and filling gaps in service. To make a donation, please go to <http://www.ucc.org/disaster> or you can mail a check to 700 Prospect Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115. Make checks payable to United Church of Christ, and memo: 2018 Hurricane Relief. *(Central is not taking donations but encouraging folks to make their own contribution online or by mailing their donation.)*

**Norma Klemme is doing the CROP Hunger Walk once again** on Oct. 7 and you can contribute to her cause. Make checks payable directly to her (Norma Klemme) with a notation that it is for CROP, or you can make it out to CROP and it will go through the process. Seventy-five percent goes through Church World Service to help flood, fire victims and other disaster victims in the U.S. and the world. Norma’s address is 724 South

Oak, Union, MO 63084. If you have any questions, please see Ruth Long.

**Notifications from Central Church:** With the winter months upcoming, inclement weather could cause delays or cancellations of church services or events. The church has a new account set up to which we can add you. This is a free service. While it will mainly be used for weather cancellations and delays, it could also be used as a reminder about congregational meetings or special events. We will make every effort to ensure that it is not overused or abused. There are several methods you can use to be added to the group:

(1) Text @bb7ce7 to 81010

(2) Scan the QR code below with the camera on your internet-connected phone or tablet.



(3) Fill out the following information slip and place in the offering plate, hand to Alan or Allen, or email the information to [sanctuarycucc@gmail.com](mailto:sanctuarycucc@gmail.com).

*I request to be added to receive Remind.com notifications from Central United Church of Christ. (Please print clearly)*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer text messages:

Cell phone number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I prefer email messages:

Email address(es) \_\_\_\_\_

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Your presence and participation are an important part of shaping this experience of worship for all of us. Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here!

If you are a guest here today, we would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community. If you have any questions about joining us in ministry, please contact the Pastor.

**Large Print Bulletins:** Large print editions of the worship bulletin are available in the Narthex and by the elevator.

**Friendship Register:** Please sign the Friendship Register (the blue book at the end of the pew) when it is passed around so that we have a record of your visit.

Ministers.....	Every Member
Director of Music.....	Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director .....	Rene Miserez



Organist .....	Shirley Klein
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