



September 9, 2018
SIXTEENTH 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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THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“God of Grace and God of Glory” #287

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

God of abundant love, you delight us with your grace – grace expressed in the beauty of our world.

God of truth and light, you challenge us to live faithful lives – to turn away from evil, to follow your ways, to serve your people.

May your word of truth grow within us this day,
May we bring forth a harvest of peace.

***CHORAL INTROIT**

***GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

Holy One, you remind us that wisdom may be found in every face. God, help us erase our fear of those who are rich or poor. Help us see past our cultural prejudices and assumptions. Help our ears and our hearts be open to your teachings. Amen.

***PRAISE HYMN** “O Word of God Incarnate” #199

***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

Isaiah 35:1, 3-7
James 2:1-17
Mark 7:24-37

CHORAL RESPONSE

CHOIR ANTHEM “I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes”

- Rogers

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,
from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord,
My help cometh from the Lord that
made heav'n and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved,
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved.
He that keepeth thee shall not slumber.
Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall
neither slumber nor sleep.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and fortress,
He is my refuge and my fortress, my fortress,
my God, in whom I will trust.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,

from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord,
the Lord that made heav'n and earth.
He that keepeth thee shall not slumber.
Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall
neither slumber, nor sleep.
(Kip Neblett, bass)

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

“Kol Nidrei”

- Bruch

*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**

“Thou Art the Way”

#238

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

***POSTLUDE** “Three Verses from the Te Deum” - Anonymous

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

THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

September 9 – 16

TODAY:	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Children’s Sunday School	10:15am
	Mid-High and Sr. High Youth Group	6:00pm
MON:	Scouts	7:00pm
TUES:	Mission and Outreach Ministry	4:00pm
WED:	Quilting	9:00am
	CUCC Family Time at Perkins	9:00am
	Young Youth Afterschool Activities	3:45pm
	Bell Choir	6:15pm
	Senior Choir	7:00pm
THURS:	Salvation Army Meal	5:00pm
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Children’s Sunday School	10:15am

Attendance Last Sunday: 71

Altar flowers are for all the quilters past and present from Linda Heller.

Bulletins are in honor of my friends in the church from Laverne Baker.

Please pray for our members, family and friends: Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Kathryn Waite, Audrey Hoelscher Bruemmer, Jacque 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.

Rev. Bob Atkinson will be joining us for worship on Sunday, September 16. He will be bringing greetings from the Western Association.

Consider joining the CUCC Choir! We have just begun again for Fall. We rehearse on Wednesdays from 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.

Middle High and Senior High Youth – Our next get-together is **tonight from 6:00-7:30** in the gym. We have started a new group for 6th-12th graders and those at the first meeting helped set our direction. We plan to have a mix of fun activities and service activities where we can put our faith into action, and we'll add in some faith-based discussion to get you thinking. What is your favorite hat? Bring it with you and we'll use it for our discussion. Are you wondering how Jesus and hats tie together? Well, then I guess we'll see you there! Also, thank you to those who helped with our first service project – serving the Salvation Army meal for the homeless and less fortunate in our community. What great words of encouragement I heard from you as you served dinner!

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.

Attention ladies – the women of Grace Evangelical Free Church have invited Central Church women to their one-day retreat, “Cozy Mountain Lodge Retreat.” It will be held **September 15**, from 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. They will serve breakfast and lunch and are asking for only a \$5 donation to cover costs. Please contact Ruth Long by *September 9* if you would like to attend or have any questions. The retreat takes place at Cedar City Lion’s Club, 710 Sandstone, Jefferson City. The ladies of Second Christian Church are also coming – make plans now to attend!

Reminder – October “Tower” articles are due by September 15.

Festival of Sharing will be holding Sharefests in 7 different locations this year instead of one big event at the Missouri State Fair Grounds as in the past. *Our region will be held at Tipton United Methodist Church on **September 22***. At the Tipton Sharefest, people will have the opportunity to pack rice, pack hygiene kits, organize CSW kits, be part of a prayer team, or serve lunch. After packing projects are completed, we’ll gather for lunch and worship. All activities start at 9:30 a.m. If anyone is interested in going, please contact one of the Mission and Outreach Ministry members (Susan Poettgen – chair). We can carpool to Tipton for the workday.

All kits for Sharefest (Festival of Sharing) need to be brought to the church by Sunday, **September 16**. If you have any questions, please see Susan Poettgen, Mission and Outreach Ministry chair.

**OKTOBERFEST GERMAN DINNER
VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET**

PLEASE TURN IN COMPLETED SIGN-UP SHEET BY SEPTEMBER 9

___ I can help with making the German potato salad on Thursday.

___ 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon ___ 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

___ I can help decorate tables on Thursday starting at 9 a.m. until completed.

___ I can help with preparing the other food on Friday.

___ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. ___ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
___ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

___ I can help with cutting/packaging/replenishing the pies on Friday.

___ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. ___ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
___ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

___ I can work outside helping with valet parking and related things.

___ 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. ___ 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

___ I can help at the ticket sales table.

___ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. ___ 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

___ I can help with serving the meal.

___ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. ___ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

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**OKTOBERFEST GERMAN DINNER
VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET
(cont.)**

_____ I can help with busing tables and trash removal.

_____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

_____ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can help with clean-up starting at 6:30 p.m. until completed.

_____ I can bring pies.

_____ number of pies bringing

No cream pies. Pumpkin and pecan pies must be purchased from a store bakery, not home made or baked from frozen (*pursuant to the city's Regulations for Temporary Food Services*).

Bring your pies to the church gym on Friday between 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

***Cash donations for purchasing pies will be accepted and can be given to Freda Maness, Mary Ann Wippermann, or Faye Rinaldi.

NAME _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

PLEASE TURN IN COMPLETED SIGN-UP SHEET BY SEPTEMBER 9

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Oktoberfest German Dinner takes place Friday, September 28, prepared and served by Central UCC. Faye Rinaldi and Mary Ann Wippermann are in charge along with help from Freda Maness, our dessert lady; the Elenor Circle; and many other volunteers. The menu consists of roast beef, German potato salad, coleslaw, green beans, applesauce, bread, pie, iced tea, lemonade, and coffee, along with a children's menu of hot dogs, chips, and other sides. Serving time is from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the church gym. Cost is \$12 per adult (all you can eat), and \$5 per child under age 10. We need volunteers (men and women) to help with all aspects of the meal. A detailed volunteer sign-up sheet is included in the bulletin and should be turned in by *September 9*. You can place it in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, or turn it in to the church office. Contact Faye Rinaldi at 619-3339 and fayerinaldif@yahoo.com, or Mary Ann Wippermann at 636-3685 and mlwipper@embarqmail.com for more information.

All items in the church kitchen refrigerator and freezer need to be removed by Sunday, September 23. We need to make room in them for our Oktoberfest German dinner preparations. Any items that are left will be thrown away or donated to the Salvation Army. **Also, any items on the counters in the kitchen should be removed by Sunday, September 23.** Any items left on the counters will either be thrown away or put in the storage closet behind the kitchen. Thank you for your assistance, Mary Ann and Faye.

It has been the practice that altar flowers are taken by the sponsor after the worship service. If they are not taken by Wednesday, Frances Byrd or Ruth Long pick them up and

take them to Central's homebound. Recently there has been a concern that the altar flowers are not staying fresh very long. After consulting with the florist, we are going to make a change to this practice. The sponsor will still be able to take them but if they are not taken after the worship service, they will be placed in the refrigerator in the choir room. The sponsor can come get them on Monday or Tuesday, but will need to pick up a choir room key from the office. If they are not picked up by Wednesday, Frances or Ruth will take them to our homebound. Thanks, Mary Ann Wippermann, Worship and Music Ministry chair.

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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