

**CENTRAL**  
United Church of Christ  
GROW FAITH • SHARE LOVE • REACH OUT



**July 5, 2020**  
**Fifth 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.

*All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI.*

\* Indicates please stand, as you are able

**PRELUDE**      *“The Rejoicing” from Firework Music*      – Handel  
(arr. Bish)

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

### **OPENING HYMN**    *“My Country, ‘tis of Thee”*

My country, ‘tis of thee,  
Sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;  
Land where my fathers died,  
Land of the pilgrims’ pride,  
From every mountain side  
Let freedom ring.

Our fathers’ God, to Thee,  
Author of liberty, to Thee we sing:  
Long may our land be bright  
With freedom’s holy light;  
Protect us by Thy might,  
Great God, our King.

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The prayers are flowing, and Spirit is moving.  
Breathe on us, breath of God.  
Christ promises rest and renewal, when we come to Him.  
We are here, trusting this sacred promise.

### **GATHERING PRAYER**

Creator God, you have created us to walk with you. Help us walk with you in this time of worship, that we may be strengthened to walk with you all the days of our lives. As we come to you this day, bless us with your grace and your rest, that we may find renewal and the strength to serve with confidence and joy. Amen.

**PRAISE HYMN** “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain.  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for patriot dream  
That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam  
Undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!

**GREETING** “They’ll Know We Are Christians”

We are one In the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE GLORIA PATRI**

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.

## TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Romans 7:15-25a

### SPECIAL MUSIC *"The Battle Hymn of the Republic"*

*Bill Stine, baritone*

*Gary Sanders, piano*

*Lyrics – Julia Ward Howe*

*Music – William Steffe*

### SERMON

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost and of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; from thence he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. In one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### 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 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.

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Today we are observing pew communion. All who find themselves in communion with God or in need of communion with God are invited to share in the bread and cup of the Lord's Table. We observe open communion in the United Church of Christ, which means that **all** are welcome to share in this sacrament. When the bread is served, please take a piece and hold it until all are served. We will eat the bread together. The glasses of wine will then be served. The innermost circle of glasses contains grape juice for those who would prefer it. Please take a glass, hold it until all are served. We will drink*

*together. If you choose not to partake of the elements of bread and wine, you may celebrate communion with God and others through silent prayer and meditation.*

## **INVITATION AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS**

### **SHARING COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION MUSIC** *“Blessed Are the Faithful”* - Brahms

### **THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

## **AND GO FORTH IN LOVE**

### **CLOSING HYMN** *“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”*

Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
Who bid the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,  
All travelers guard in danger’s hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
Protect them where-so-e’er they go;  
Thus evermore shall rise to thee  
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

### **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*“Praise the Lord With Drums and Cymbals”* – Karg-Elert  
(arr. Bish)

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

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**THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR**  
**July 5 – July 12**

TODAY:	Worship	10:00am
THURS:	Salvation Army Meal	5:00pm
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Worship	10:00am

**Worship attendance last Sunday: 73**

**Altar flowers** are in memory of Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Burkel from the family of Donald L. and Dorothy L. Burkel.

**Bulletins** are in memory of Hager and Scrivner families from Gladys Scrivner.

**Our sympathy** is extended to the family of Eleanor Diersing who passed away June 27, 2020. Services will be held July 6, 2020.

**Please pray for our members, family and friends:** Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Beckett Michael Karr (parents Geoff and Lauren Karr), Jimmy Fairchild, Melissa Parscal, Larry Rizner, Lee Thompson, August Begemann, Michelle Heymeyer,



Abel Green, Jerry Watson, Lonnie Schneider, George Seifert, Doug Blaha, Tommy Thompson, Allen Schmutzler, Janet Miller, Stanley Eikermann, Family of Eleanor Diersing

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**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM SAFE CHURCH COMMITTEE & WORSHIP COMMITTEE RE: WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY:**

*As we resume worshipping in the sanctuary, things will be done differently for the safety of all. We ask for your patience as we adjust to the new way of doing things. Things to remember are:*

- Everyone's temperature will be taken before entering the building.
- Everyone must wear a mask. If you need a mask, we will have one available.
- Practice social distancing of 6 feet.
- No hand shaking or hugging.
- No lingering in aisles or building before and after the service.
- Ushers will assist with seating.
- **Ushers will dismiss worshippers following the postlude. Worshippers should exit the sanctuary and building through the same door they entered the building and sanctuary. Remember to social distance when exiting.**
- Unrelated or persons not living in the same household should not ride together in the elevator.

**Offering Baskets** are located at the back of the sanctuary, and also up front by the doors next to the chancel platform for you to place your offering envelopes.

**Summer Lunch Program** – The Second Christian Church will continue providing lunches for children ages 17 and under again this year. The dates are May 28 through August 23. Donations may be placed in a basket in the narthex (NO nuts please).

Items needed:

Pudding cups

Jello-O cups

Fruit cups

Cupcakes

Brownies

Cookies

Fruit Snacks

Potato Chips/other chips

Snack Cakes

Condiment Packets

Bottled Water

Juices

Kool-Aid Packets for water

Money to help buy meats and cheese (***payable to Second Christian Church***)

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our church secretary, Michelle Ebersold, on 20 years with Central UCC! A gift card was presented to her July 1. Thank you, Michelle, for your dedication and expertise to Central UCC!! May God bless you!



## 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.

Ministers.....	Every Member
Pastor.....	Rev. Dr. Judith Scott
Director of Music.....	Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director .....	Rene Miserez
Organist .....	Shirley Klein

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