

Order of Worship

October 27, 2024

Welcome to Central Christian Church!

We are so glad you're here this morning. Please feel free to participate in as much of the worship service as you would like to. Tables with coloring supplies for our younger Disciples (or anyone really) are available for use during the service.

Please take a few moments to fill out the bulletin insert so that we can stay in touch, answer questions you might have about getting involved, and pray for you. There will be an opportunity near the end of the service to place these slips in the offering tray.

Gathering for Worship

The Life of the Church

Prelude *Just a Closer Walk With Thee*

Call to Worship Viv Hunter

Please stand as you are able

Leader: Come, people of God, let us gather in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, who stops and listens to the cries of those in need.

People: **Lord, have mercy on us, for we come to You in faith, trusting in Your healing touch, believing in Your power to restore.**

Leader: Jesus asks us today, as He asked Bartimaeus, "What do you want Me to do for you?"

People: **Lord, we come seeking Your presence, Your grace, and Your mercy. We come with open hearts, ready to receive Your healing and Your guidance.**

Leader: Then let us worship, for Jesus is calling, and His love is here to transform and restore us.

People: **Praise be to God, who sees us, hears us, and answers our cries with compassion and power. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!**

Call to Worship by Rev. Amanda Gosik. Used with permission.

Opening Hymn 284 v. 1, 4
Gather Us In

Invocation Viv Hunter

The Lord's Prayer Viv Hunter

The prayer Jesus taught his disciples has many variations. Please use whatever words are closest to your heart, or follow along with the words on the screen. Then, be seated.

Psalm Reading Viv Hunter
Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22

Hearing the Word

Praise Hymn 346
Where He Leads Me

**Pastoral Prayer/
Prayers of the People** Pastor Mandy Gosik

Sermon Text Pastor Mandy Gosik
Mark 10:46-52

Sermon Pastor Mandy Gosik
"Where the Blind Can See"

After the sermon, we share in a time of silent contemplation.

Invitational Hymn 455
You Have Called Me

Receiving Christ's Welcome

Communion Meditation Emily Comstock, Elder

Communion Prayer Emily Comstock, Elder

Use the bulletin insert to write down any joys or concerns for the elders to pray for in their weekly meetings, read aloud during the intercession in worship, and/or add to the congregational prayer chain.

Communion Hymn 411
For the Bread, Which You Have Broken

Invitation to the Table Pastor Mandy Gosik

All are welcome at Christ's Table. If you would like to receive communion, come forward row-by-row through the outside aisles as the hymn is being sung, placing offerings and bulletin slips in the tray as you do.

Hymn Played During Communion

Into My Heart
By Harry Clarke, Arranged by Teresa Wilhelmi

Marjorie Kohler, Piano

"The Peace of Christ be with you"

Returning to the World

Closing Hymn 442 v. 1
We Are Walking

Benediction Pastor Mandy Gosik

Postlude

You are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for Coffee Hour immediately after worship.

Prayers for Japan

Dear God, thank you for the opportunities we have to encounter you along our journeys. We give thanks for the opportunities that participants in the Asian Rural Institute have to travel throughout Japan to learn from other farmers and communities during their year of training.

We pray for ARI's participants as they open up to learning new ways of living and having healthy and fruitful relationships with the land and with each other. We pray for all those who give their time and expertise to meet with ARI during its study tours.

Bless all the churches and individuals in the United Church of Christ in Japan and around the world who support ARI's mission to build an environmentally healthy, just, and peaceful world.

We give thanks for your creation and for all those who farm the land. From the rural agricultural cooperatives of Japan to all the local communities in Asia, Africa, and the Americas that send participants to study at ARI, we ask your blessings on all those who seek sustainability and who sow peace from the soil.

In the name of Jesus, we pray, Amen.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Board Meeting** today after worship.
- ◆ **Town Pump has again selected FISH** to be part of the "Be a Friend in Deed, Help Those in Need" campaign. Town Pump will match every donation to FISH up to \$25,000.00 from September 1 through November 30, 2024. Please consider a gift during those 3 months to reach their goal.
- ◆ **Pastor Mandy is collecting names for All Saint's Day** of those who have passed in the last year. She will need them by October 30th.
- ◆ **Evening Lydia Group meets on Thursday, Oct. 31 at 6:00pm**
- ◆ **We are looking for a nursery attendant** for Sunday's during worship. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Mandy.

Today's Servants	
Accompanist:	Marjorie Kohler
Song Leader:	Kathleen McKerrow
Worship Leader:	Viv Hunter
Elder:	Emily Comstock
Preparing:	Gary, Dennis & Louise Hill
Greeters/Counters:	Mauri Novak Shelly Fagenstrom
Tech Booth:	Kevin & Linda McCafferty
Grounds:	

Welcome to Worship!



Mark 10:46-52

Where the Blind Can See

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Central Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

*an inclusive people
living God's radical love
that challenges all to grow
in faith and mission*

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