

Central
and
Algonquin
United Methodist Churches

Mission Statement:

Connecting all people to God by building bridges of caring, outreach, and acceptance.



Communion Sunday

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering

August 7, 2022, at 10:30 am

Welcome to our worship celebration!

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PRELUDE

Ash Grove

arr. Cassler

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: God called Abraham and Sarah and promised to bless them.

All: Through faith they obeyed and received God's inheritance.

One: God called Isaac and Jacob, as heirs of that promise.

All: They too followed in faith, seeking God's realm.

One: God calls us to join them, as heirs with the faithful.

All: We come here in faith, assured by the hope that was fulfilled in the lives of your servants.

*OPENING HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

UMH 127

CWM RHONDDA

*PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

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Luke 12:32-40

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Called to Faithfulness

HOLY COMMUNION

In the United Methodist Church, we practice "Open Communion" which means that anyone who is seeking a relationship with God is invited to receive Communion.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION³

ALL: God of unfailing love, it is often hard to remain faithful. You ask us to share our wealth with those in need, yet we hoard our possessions and guard our wealth. You call us to rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, and plead for the widow, yet our pursuits are often self-serving, ignoring those in need of our care. Forgive us and cleanse us, O God. Move us to be a people of faith and justice and propel us on the path of love. Amen.

Moment for Silent Reflection

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: ...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Pastor: ...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Pastor: ...Through your eternal Word Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Antiphone

Kihlken

*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

UMH 95
OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION²

Generous God, you offer us unfailing treasure in heaven. In love and gratitude for your gifts to us, we return these gifts and offerings to you. Use them and stretch them to ease the plight of the poor and the widow, the orphan, and the downtrodden. Use and stretch us, that we may do good, seek justice, and be your light of faith and grace in the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

Take Time to Be Holy

UMH 395
HOLINESS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude in F

Ashford

*UMH—The United Methodist Hymnal
*TFWS—The Faith We Sing

Organist: Pat Deatruck

Music Director: Cathy Wilkinson

Admin. Assist: McKenzie Sebastian

Video Camera: Bob V., Madison K., Derrick W.

Ushers: Tom Brown, Kelley Bunker

Nursery Staff: Mallory Baier

Liturgists: Jackie Willey

Communion: Karen Sabatine

Pastor: Marty Johnston

Footnotes:

1. Call to Worship used with permission from Abington worship Annual 2022

Announcements – August 7, 2022

Love Offering for August will be donated to F.A.N.

Welcome Basket boxes for hand-crafted donations can be found in the north and south narthex.

Boxes for Hygiene Kits are located at the north and south Narthex's!

The office will be **closed Thursday, August 18th** and will **reopen** for normal business hours on **Monday, August 22nd**.



Blessing
of the Backpacks

Any student is welcome to bring their backpack to church on Sunday, August 28th to have a special blessing said over it by Pastor Marty.

Save the date! Sunday, September 11th – Rally Day! More info to follow.

*Financial gifts can be mailed to Algonquin UMC or Central UMC at:
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