



*Central and Algonquin
United Methodist Churches
Sunday, June 25, 2023*

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

With Pastor Marty Johnston

Central UMC's Worship Gathering

June 25, 2023 - 10:30 am

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*Indicates please stand on your feet or in your heart.

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE

"As the Dew from Heaven"

arr. Darley

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

All: Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God;

One: be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

All: Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

One: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

All: Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

One: In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.

All: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

One: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

All: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

One: Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your serving girl.

All: Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

*OPENING HYMN

God Will Take Care of You

UMH 130

MARTIN

*PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Youth are invited to attend Young Christian's Worship at this time downstairs.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:

Genesis 21:8-21

CHORUS

Open Our Eyes

TFWS 2086
OPEN OUR EYES

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 10:24-39

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Difficult Decisions

INVITATION TO OFFERING

We have received from God, without payment. Let us give generously out of God's bounty, living as signs of the kingdom.

OFFERTORY

"Arabesque"

PAXTON

*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 DEDICATION

Generous God, your morning sun gives life, your evening breeze refreshes the soul. As life grows to its fullest this summer, let us give generously and faithfully. Through our gifts, may the hungry be fed, the lonely find good friends, and the grieving find comfort. With these offerings we offer our own lives, that we may rise again to live with you. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: God, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

UMH 298
HAMBURG

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Postlude in C”

OTIS

Pastor: Pastor Marty Johnston

Organist: Pat Deatrck

Liturgist: Jackie Willey

Administrative Asst.: Abby Abrego

Video Camera: Derrick Washbish

Music Director: Cathy Wilkinson

Ushers/Greeters: Norb Bennin/Ron Morgan

Family Ministry Coordinator: Jenny Shelley

Announcements – June 25, 2023

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is being held Monday, June 26th through Thursday, June 29th from 9:00am-12pm will be held at CUMC.

Registration forms are available in the narthex. If you have any questions, contact Jenny Shelley @ 9044661847.

Team Members Needed for Hero Hotline VBS!!! We need you to join us on our way to Hero Hotline VBS! Contact Jenny Shelley at 904-466-1847 to sign up for opportunities to serve, lead, and most of all, HAVE FUN at Hero Hotline! Join us as we are called together to serve God!

If you are interested in becoming a member of the church or receiving baptism, please contact Pastor Marty Johnston.



AUMC - June Change Jar: The money collected during the singing of the last hymn will be donated to FAN, Families Against Narcotics. FAN's mission is to offer community-based, compassionate, best-practice/evidence-based services to people who have been affected by addiction—this includes individuals with SUD and their families—and to erase the stigma of addiction while instilling compassion and hope.

Central Birthdays/Anniversaries

25th – Patti Kaunisto

26th – Bob Johnson

27th – Emily Baker

28th – Arla McDowell

28th – Melissa McLain

29th – Gayle Johnson

29th – Lisa & Bob Vincent – 9th Anniversary

This Week

Wednesday: Bible Study @ 10:30in the CUMC Library with Norb Bennin continuing with Dr. David Jeremiah “Overcomer” - 8 Ways to Live a Life of Unstoppable Strength, Unmovable Faith, & Unbelievable Power!

*UMH—The United Methodist Hymnal

*TFWS—The Faith We Sing

Footnotes:

* Footnotes: 1. Taken from the Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 **2. Taken from the Abington Worship Annual 2023

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