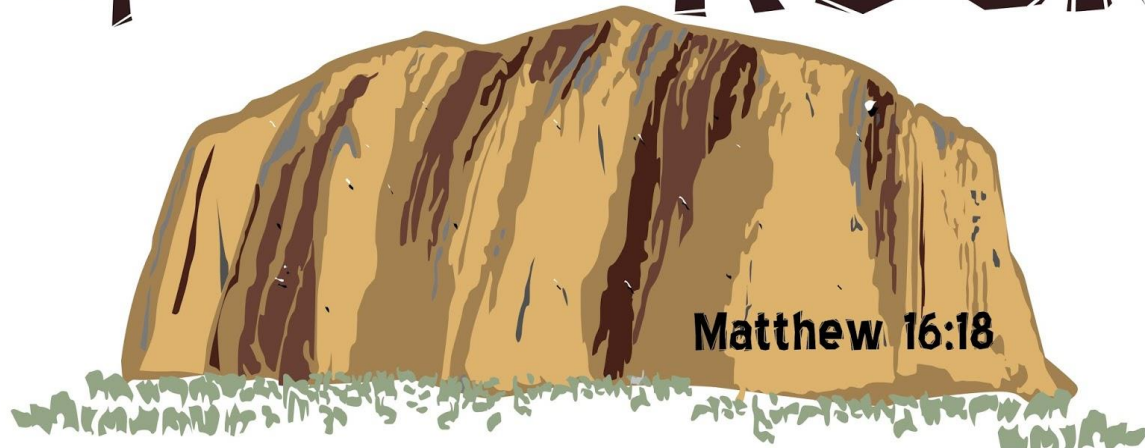


# Upon This **ROCK**



# I Will Build My Church

*Central and Algonquin  
United Methodist Churches  
Sunday, August 27, 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  
August 27, 2023 - 10:30 am  
*CCLI License# 3999519*  
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
\*Indicates please stand on your feet or in your heart.

PRELUDE "I Know Where I'm Going" arr. Huges

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

One: If it had not been the Lord who was on our side- let Israel now say-

**All: if it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when foes rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;**

One: then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;

**All: then the raging waters would have gone over us.**

One: Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth!

**All: We have escaped as a bird from the snare of the fowlers;**

One: the snare is broken, and we have escaped!

**All: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.**

\*OPENING HYMN "Great is Thy Faithfulness" UMH 140  
FAITHFULNESS

\*PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS -

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

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 2:1-10

HYMN "He is Lord" UMH 128  
HE IS LORD

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 16:13-20

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

**All: Thanks be to God**

SERMON What's your answer?

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*Let us continue in our worship of God in the giving of our gifts and offerings.*

OFFERTORY "Antifon" KIHLEN

## \*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

*Ever-giving God, help us give as fully to you and to your world as you have given to us.  
Transform our gifts with your love, that they may become vessels of your love for others.  
Amen.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Hear us, O God.  
All: Your mercy is great.

## 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

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

UMH 172  
GORDAN

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

“Ash Grove ”

arr. OTTE

Pastor: Pastor Marty Johnston  
Organist: Pat Deatrick  
Ushers/Greeters: Tom Brown/Kelley Bunker  
Family Ministry Coordinator: Jenny Shelley

Video Camera: Derrick Washbish  
Music Director: Cathy Wilkinson  
Liturgist: Terri Bush  
Administrative Asst.: Abby Abrego

## **Announcements – August 27, 2023**

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

Join the Choir! All voice types and ranges are needed in our adult Chancel Choir. Fall rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, August 30 at 7 p.m. @CUMC.



Our August change jar offering will be  
donated to Hospice of the EUP.



### **Algonquin Birthdays/Anniversaries**

27<sup>th</sup> – Janice Wilson, 27<sup>th</sup> – Ryan Atkins, 29<sup>th</sup> – Mary Beth Vollick

### **Central Birthdays/Anniversaries**

20<sup>th</sup> – Kelley Bunker  
1st - Jamie and Brenda Coullard – 39<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

### ***This Week***

**Wednesday:** Bible Study @10:30 in the CUMC Library with  
Norb Bennin

### **Save The Dates**

**Wed., Aug. 30** – Chancel Choir’s rehearsals begin at 7 p.m.

**Sun., Sept. 10** - Rally Day and Blessings of the Back Packs will be held during worship service. Students & teachers are encouraged to bring their backpacks to be blessed during the service. A hot dog lunch will be served after the worship service.

**Wed., Sept. 20** – Family Night from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. @CUMC. Dinner will be served prior to the lesson.

\*UMH—The United Methodist Hymnal

\*TFWS—The Faith We Sing

\* Footnotes: 1. UMH 846 Psalm 124

\*\*2. Taken from the Abington Worship Annual 2023

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