



*Central and Algonquin United  
Methodist Churches*

*Sunday, July 21, 2024*

*With Pastor Marty Johnston*

Mission Statement:

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

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering  
Pastor Marty Johnston  
July 21, 2024  
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost  
*CCLI License# 3999519*

Greeters/Ushers: Ray Bell/James Bankson

Liturgist: Gwen Worley

PRELUDE

“Tranquility”

Lasky

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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

**Liturgist:**

You spoke in a vision to your faithful people and said, “I have bestowed strength on a warrior; I have raised up a young man from among the people.”

**Congregation:**

I have found David my servant; with my sacred oil I have anointed him.

**Liturgist:**

My hand will sustain him; surely my arm will strengthen him. The enemy will not get the better of him; the wicked will not oppress him.

**Congregation:**

I will crush his foes before him and strike down his adversaries. My faithful love will be with him, and through my name his strength and authority will be exalted.

**Liturgist:**

I will set his hand over the sea, his right hand over the rivers. He will call out to me, ‘You are my Father, my God, the Rock my Savior.’

**Congregation:**

I will maintain my love to him forever, and my covenant with him will never fail. I will establish his line forever, his throne as long as the heavens endure.

\*OPENING HYMN

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

UMH 66  
LAUDA ANIMA

## PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER \*

## TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING      Ephesians 2:11-22

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

**All: Thanks be to God**

## CHORUS                                      "Open Our Eyes"

TFWS 2086  
OPEN OUR EYES

## SERMON                                      From Strangers to Family

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

From many places and ways of life, God knits us together into a holy community. With thankful hearts, let us be generous as we collect today's offering.

## OFFERTORY                                      "A Quiet Faith "

Paxton

## DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

**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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION<sup>2</sup>

**Heavenly Father, we thank You for uniting us as one family in Christ. As we bring our offerings, we ask that You use them to build Your church, bringing peace and reconciliation to all. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

## HYMN                                      "In Christ There Is No East or West"

UMH548  
McKEE

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE,

Leader: 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 – July 21, 2024**

This week, Robin Myers will be manning the office while Pastor Marty and Abby are out. Hours this week are Mon. – Wed. 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., and closed on Thurs.

There is a **CYC Meeting** in the **lounge** at **11:45 a.m.**

\*\*\*\***CUMC** will have the Summer Month's Salad Luncheon after the worship service on **Sunday, Aug. 4.**

### **Hiring - Family Ministries Coordinator Position**

Do you know someone who enjoys working with children and loves God? CUMC is **seeking** to hire a **Family Ministries Coordinator**. The position is **part-time** with **flexible hours** and has a **strong support team**. A job description is available in the church office. Anyone **interested** or with questions is encouraged to **contact Pastor Marty** at the church office or **Terri Bush** at **906-440-2850**.

### **Algonquin Birthday/Anniversary**

July 23 – Mason Atkins (13<sup>th</sup>)

July 23 Susan Belleau

July 26<sup>th</sup> – Peter Pratt

### **Central Birthdays**

July 22 - Amy and Gar Artley – 18<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

July 23 - Katelyn and Nick Bell - 8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

### **This Week**

**Sunday:** **CYC Meeting at 11:45 in the lounge**

**Mon. – Wed.:** **Pastor Marty and Abby** will be out of the office. **Robin Myers** will be in the **church office** from **9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

**Thursday:** The **church office** will be **closed**.

**Friday:** **Good News Church** is hosting a **movie night** featuring Angel Studios' new film, **The Sound of Hope**, currently in

theaters. It will be held at Kinross Recreation Center at 7 PM. Tickets may be purchased at the door by cash or check. For more information contact Amy Jo Cole @9064409965 or email [nateandamyjo@gmail.com](mailto:nateandamyjo@gmail.com).

### **Save the Date**

**Tues., 7/30:** Finance Meeting at 6:30 in the church library

**\*CLOSING**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth” 2x

UMH 431  
WORLD PEACE

**BENEDICTION**

*God be with you till we meet again, by his council guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again...*

**POSTLUDE**

“Trinity Blessed”

Price

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Website: [www.cumcsoo.org](http://www.cumcsoo.org)

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