



*Central and Algonquin United
Methodist Churches*

Sunday, September 29, 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
September 29, 2024
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
CCLI License# 3999519

Greeters/Ushers: James Bankson/Ray Bell
Liturgist: James Bankson

PRELUDE "This is My Father's World" arr. M. Hayes

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Leader: If the Lord had not been on our side---Let Israel say--

Congregation: If the Lord had not been on our side when people attacked us,

Leader: They would have swallowed us alive when their anger flared against
us;

Congregation: The flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over
us,

Leader: The raging waters would have swept us away.

Congregation: Praise be to the Lord, who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

Leader: We have escaped like a bird from the Fowler's snare; the snare has
been broken, and we have escaped.

All: Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

*OPENING HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" UMH 140
FAITHFULNESS

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER *

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

INTRODUCTION TO FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Today's reading teaches that in every situation—whether in trouble, happy, or sick—we should turn to God in prayer. If someone is sick, they should call on church leaders to pray and anoint them. Prayer offered in faith can heal, and confessing sins to one another brings forgiveness. James also highlights the power of prayer by referencing Elijah, who prayed earnestly and saw miracles.

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION²

Gracious God, May our tithes and gifts bless your world with love, hope, and peace. Amen.

HYMN

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

UMH 496
SWEET HOUR

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 – September 29, 2024

The Worship Committee is looking toward the new year and is always looking for additional ushers, liturgists, and communion stewards. Also, Robin Myers appreciates help with hosting the online service (it’s REALLY easy to do!). If you cannot attend the service in person, but watch online regularly, this would be perfect for you. Leave a message for Robin at (906) 632-8672, if you are willing to help.

We invite past members and those who worship online to come to worship with us in person for “**Homecoming**”. We Miss You! This is also a chance to wear your favorite team jersey to Sunday service and swap stories of remembered games and victories as we celebrate with cider and donuts in the social hall after worship.

On **October 20th**, following the church service, **Rebecca Circle** will hold their **Annual Pie Sale**. The members will be preparing many varieties of delicious pies, and they encourage you to come downstairs and purchase a pie. As always, the proceeds will be used to provide gifts and groceries for families at Christmas and Easter. We thank you in advance for your continued support.

The **Missions' Committee is accepting Meijer and Walmart gift cards** to purchase the most needed items which will be used for the local elementary school children. The cards may be placed with the Sunday offering or left at the church office. There is a clear plastic box for the cards in the office. Also, Missions is still collecting new or cleaned, lightly used children's clothing. There are tubs in the hall by the upstairs elevator. Sizes of clothing needed range from 5 to 16. Some items needed are socks, underwear, leggings, sweatpants in black, blue or gray, hoodies and shoes.

Reminder: No T-shirts at this time. For more information, leave a message for Barb Carlisle at (906)632-8672.

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** or leave a message for **Terri Bush** at **906-632-8672**.

Algonquin Birthdays

Oct. 5 – Marcia White

Central Birthday/Anniversary

Oct. 1st – Myles Moran (6th)

Oct. 3rd – Diane Bell

Oct. 5th – Angela Smart

Oct. 5th – Barb and Jerry Cook – 61st Anniv.

This Week

Wednesday – Bell Choir rehearsal @ 6 PM in the CUMC choir room.

– **Choir rehearsal @ 7 PM** in the CUMC choir room.

Save the Date

Sun., Oct. 12th – The **Women of Faith Lutheran Church** are holding their annual **Bazaar & Salad Buffet** from **11:30 AM – 1:30 PM** at **Fatih Lutheran Church 1600 Park St.**

Sun., Oct. 13th – **Homecoming and Bible Sunday** during worship with treats after the service. Be sure to wear your favorite team jersey.

– **CYC Meeting @ 11:45 a.m.** in the CUMC Lounge.

Wed., Oct. 16th – Family Night at CUMC from 5:30 PM – 7 PM. Dinner is served before the lesson.

Sun., Oct. 20th – Rebecca Circle will hold their **Annual Pie Sale in the FH** after the service.

*CLOSING HYMN “God Will Take Care of You”

UMH 130
MARTIN

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

'All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name'

arr. C. Callahan

REMINDER:

Adult Bible Study, Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in
the CUMC Lounge led by Ray and Diane Bell
All are welcome.

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