

Message — What God Can Do

Rev. Miriam Smith

Closing Hymn 368 “My Hope Is Built”

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

Refrain
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain
His oath, his covenant, his blood Support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain
When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found! Dressed in his righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.
Refrain

Musical Gift “Let Your Light So Shine”

Birchwood

Worship Director: Susan Thompson

Organist: Virginia Paul

Scripture Reader: Mary Jo Landreth

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Discussion Questions

Prepare for next week: Read 1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a; Luke 8:26-39. They are two notable stories of God redirecting his people at important moments. When we are living our lives in the Spirit, sometimes we hear from God with instructions that might not make sense right away. Have you ever had this happen? Which story feels more familiar to you? What does it mean for God to show up in the wilderness for the prophet in hiding? For the man who is possessed? Has God shown up in your life recently?

The Stephen Ministry at Central will begin a grief group and meet on Wednesday, **June 15th at 5:30 pm**. The location has changed and we will now meet in Room 211. Please call Carol Ozier or Lynn Thrasher with any questions.

SUNDAY in the PARK is June 26 – 10:30am Worship Service – Pot luck lunch – GAMES for the kids Our church service will be at Delano Park at 10:30 – there will NOT be any Sunday school on this day!

Lunch Bunch is every Wednesday at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch is \$3 to help with the lunch costs.

May Financials

Needed Weekly	\$15,559
Received June 5	\$7,245
Needed for June	\$62,235
Received for June	\$7,245

Last Week's Attendance

In-person:	132
Online:	32

Need someone to talk to? Contact Pastor Miriam. Central also offers **Stephen Ministers**—lay Christian friends trained to help through times of crisis. The pastor can get you in touch with one.



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Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

Calendar

Sunday, June 12

7:30 AM Youth meet to leave for trip
9:15 AM Crossroads (Rm 209)
9:30 AM Children, Youth 3rd Fl), Cornerstone (LFH), Agape (L), Lovett (Rm 208), Bates/Godwin (Rm 213)
10:30 AM Worship Service

Tuesday, June 14

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
8:00 AM Centering Prayer, CH
2:30 PM Prayer Team

Wednesday, June 15

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
11:00 AM Lunch Bunch, FH
5:30 PM Grief Group, Room 211
7:00 PM, Trustees, L

Thursday, June 16

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study-JJ

Friday, June 17

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
9:00 AM, Women's Java Jaay Bible

CH– Chapel, FH- Fellowship Hall
LFH- Lower Fellowship Hall
L - Library S- Sanctuary G- Gym

Check our website for up-to-date calendar.



Central's mission:

Love God, love others, and serve the world

June 12, 2022

First Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM

Please silence electronic devices.

**Stand at these points, as you're comfortable.*

Musical Gift “The Clarion Call”

Smith

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

From the very whisper of creation, God poured forth love.

Praise be to God for the blessings of God's love.

Father, I adore you and I lay my life before you. How I love you!

In the fullness of time, God sent Jesus as a revelation of God's own self.

Praise be to Jesus for the ways in which he revealed God to us.

Jesus, I adore you and I lay my life before you. How I love you!

When we thought all hope was lost, God offered the Holy Spirit to heal and guide us.

Praise be to the Holy Spirit for guidance and inspiration!

Spirit I adore you and I lay my life before you. How I love you!

For the Trinity of understanding, we sing praise!

Blessings, honor, power, and majesty to God forevermore!

AMEN.

Opening Hymn #61 “Come, Thou Almighty King”

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing,
Help us to praise!
Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend!
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy world success;
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be,
Hence, evermore.
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

*Affirmation of Faith

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**universal*

*Greeting

Hymn “In Christ Alone”

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In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
‘Til on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
for every sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme or plan, can ever pluck me from His hand.
‘Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I’ll stand..

Prayers of the People

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Children’s Message

Debbie Looney

Special Music 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Arr. Mauldin

Bible Reading — Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31, Romans 5:1-5

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Doesn’t Wisdom cry out
and Understanding shout?
Atop the heights along the path,
at the crossroads she takes her stand.
By the gate before the city,
at the entrances she shouts:
I cry out to you, people;
my voice goes out to all of humanity.
The Lord created me at the beginning of his way,
before his deeds long in the past.
I was formed in ancient times,
at the beginning, before the earth was.
When there were no watery depths, I was brought forth,
when there were no springs flowing with water.
Before the mountains were settled,
before the hills, I was brought forth;
before God made the earth and the fields
or the first of the dry land.
I was there when he established the heavens,
when he marked out the horizon on the deep sea,
when he thickened the clouds above,
when he secured the fountains of the deep,
when he set a limit for the sea,
so the water couldn’t go beyond his command,
when he marked out the earth’s foundations.
I was beside him as a master of crafts.
I was having fun,
smiling before him all the time,
frolicking with his inhabited earth
and delighting in the human race.
Romans 5:1-5
Therefore, since we have been made righteous through his faithfulness, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. We have access by faith into this grace in which we stand through him, and we boast in the hope of God’s glory. But not only that! We even take pride in our problems, because we know that trouble produces endurance, endurance produces character, and character produces hope. This hope doesn’t put us to shame, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.