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### Discussion Questions

Prepare for Sunday, July 17: This week we are visiting with two of Jesus' dear friends in Luke 10: 38-42. Spend some time with this passage, reading it more than once—out loud if possible. As you read the text, consider the following is there a person with whom you most identify? Do you find yourself drawn to action in service to God? Are you more inclined to spend time in contemplation and learning? Why do you think we have this passage included in our Bible? How might Jesus' words to the sisters have been understood as controversial at the time? As followers of Jesus, what action are we directed towards in this passage?

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

Enjoy **casual dress** for the month of **July** at church.

The **Blessing of the Backpacks** will be on August 7th at 10:30 service.

A new **Younger Adult Sunday School Class** will meet this Sunday, July 10th in room 211.

There will be a **church council** meeting on **July 17th at 5 pm** in the fellowship hall. All church members are welcome.

### July Financials

Needed Weekly	\$15,559
Received July 3	\$11,565
Needed for July	\$62,235

### Last Week's Attendance

In-person:	109
Online:	32

### Calendar

#### Sunday, July 10

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  
6:00 - 8:00 PM, Youth, 3rd Fl

#### Tuesday, July 12

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

#### Wednesday, July 13

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

#### Thursday, July 14

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study-JJ

#### Friday, July 15

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

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# Action Required: Love



Central's mission:

**Love God, love others, and serve the world**

July 10, 2022

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
10:30 AM

Please silence electronic devices.

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

Musical Gift "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Birchwood

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Love the Lord your God,

**With all your heart, and with all your soul,**

**And with all your strength, and with all your mind!**

Love your neighbor as yourself,

**With all your heart, and with all your soul,**

**And with all your strength, and with all your mind!**

Do this and you will live!

**Let us worship God!**

\*Opening Hymn #351 "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry;  
While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

**Refrain**

**Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;**

**While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.**

Let me at thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief,  
Kneeling there in deep contrition; help my unbelief.

**Refrain**

Trusting only in thy merit, would I seek thy face;  
Heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by thy grace.

**Refrain**

Thou the spring of all my comfort, more than life to me,  
Whom have I on earth beside thee? Whom in heaven but thee?

**Refrain**

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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Serve the world

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Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

\*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostle's Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
The third day he rose from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic\* church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*\*universal*

\*Greeting

Hymn "You Shall Love the Lord"

You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, with all your heart.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, soul and mind.

You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your soul, with all your soul.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, soul and mind.

**Refrain**

***You shall love your neighbor as you love yourself.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
With all your heart, soul and mind.***

You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your mind, with all your mind.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, soul and mind.

**Refrain**

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

Special Music "I Speak Peace"

I speak peace to you, boundless peace to you.  
I speak peace to you today.  
And here's why I can, because of Whose I am,  
I speak peace to you today.

I speak hope to you, boundless hope to you.  
I speak hope to you today.  
And here's why I can, because of Whose I am,  
I speak hope to you today.

**Chorus**

***Jesus brings me peace. Jesus brings me hope.  
Boundless love and joy Jesus brings.  
He's a spring of peace. He's a spring of hope.  
Boundless love and joy flow through me.***

I speak love to you, boundless love to you.  
I speak love to you today.  
And here's why I can, because of Whose I am,  
I speak love to you today.

**Chorus**

I speak joy to you, boundless joy to you.  
I speak joy to you today.  
And here's why I can, because of Whose I am,  
I speak joy to you today.  
I speak love to you today.  
I speak hope to you today.  
I speak peace to you today.

Bible Reading — Luke 10:25-37

**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.**

A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to gain eternal life?"

Jesus replied, "What is written in the Law? How do you interpret it?"

He responded, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself."

Jesus said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live."

But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied, "A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day, he took two full days' worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, 'Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.' What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?"

Then the legal expert said, "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message — Love

Rev. Miriam Smith

\*Closing Hymn 500 "Spirit of God, descend upon My Heart" (v.1,4,5)

Spirit of God, descend up on my heart;  
Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;  
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,  
And make me love thee as I ought to love.

Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;  
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear.  
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh,  
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,  
One holy passion filling all my frame;  
The kindling of the heaven-descended Dove,  
My heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

\*Sending Forth

Musical Gift "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*Benjamin*