

*Closing Hymn #474 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
And the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

*Sending Forth

Musical Gift "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Kendall

Music Director: Susan Thompson

Organist: Virginia Paul

Pianist: Charlotte White

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Today's altar flowers are in remembrance of Tom Hurst, by his children Gray, Alex, and Natalie and his siblings Susan Salter, Preston Hurst, and Margaret Watts

Bible Reading for July 25
2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-18

Discussion Questions

• *When was the last time you had to count on God to take care of your dinner? God's provision for us may look like a supernatural miracle, or it may look like friends or family who set an extra place at their table when we needed it. What might be roadblocks to trusting God will take care of our needs? The Bible tells us many times of how God will provide for us, but do our lives reflect that trust? The answers to these questions lie in the stories we have of our own faith journeys. If you would like to share how God has kept you well-supplied, please send me a note at miriam@centralunitedmethodist.com*

July Financials

Needed Weekly	\$15,559
Received July 11	\$17,182
Needed for July	\$62,235
Received for July	\$34,114

Last Week's Attendance

In-person:	130
Online:	61

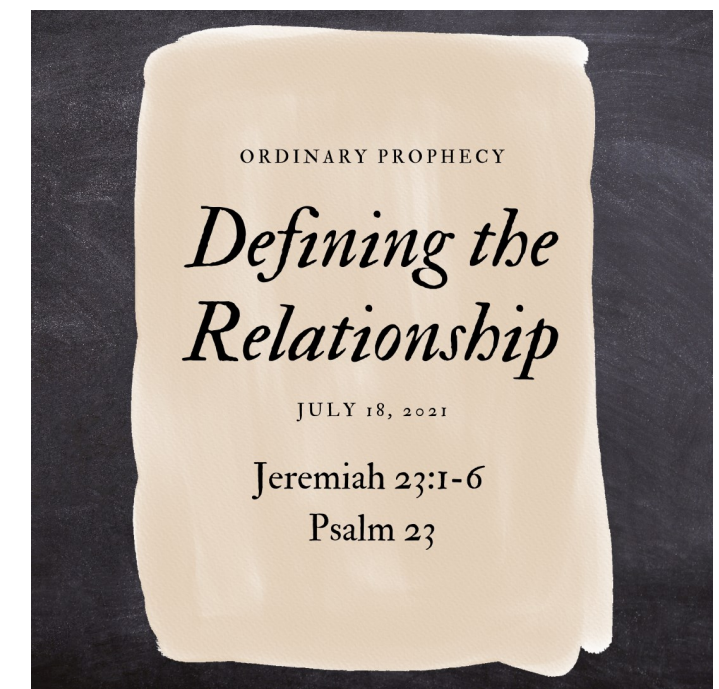


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Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM



Central's mission:

Love God, love others, and serve the world

July 18, 2021
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM

Please silence electronic devices.
**Stand at these points, as you're comfortable.*

Musical Gift "To the Glory of God"

Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Come, out of your busy lives to a quiet time and place.
Our souls thirst for some peace and quiet.
Come, and rest in the Lord who will restore your souls.
Our lives need moments of rest.
Come and find the quiet center. Come, be at peace.
Praise God who offers to us a shelter and resting place.

*Hymn #371 "I Stand Amazed in the Presence"

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,
And wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.

Refrain

*How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful is my Savior's love for me!*

For me it was in the garden he prayed; "Not my will, but thine."
He had no tears for his own griefs, but sweat drops of blood for mine.

Refrain

In pity angels beheld him, and came from the world of light
to comfort him in the sorrows he bore for my soul that night.

Refrain

He took my sins and my sorrows, he made them his very own;
He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone.

Refrain

When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see,
'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me.

Refrain

*Prayer of Confession and Pardon, Passing the Peace

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

Greeting

*Hymn #701 "When We All Get to Heaven"

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus; sing his mercy and his grace.
In the mansions bright and blessed he'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will overspread the sky;
But when traveling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.

Refrain

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day;
Just one glimpse of him in glory will the toils of life repay.

Refrain

Onward to the prize before us! Soon his beauty we'll behold;
Soon the pearly gates will open; we shall tread the streets of gold.

Refrain

Special Music "The Longer I Serve Him"

Arr. Hamby

Bible Reading—Jeremiah 23:1-6

—[Prayer]

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.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.

I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

—
The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer—

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give thanks for God's creation and deliverance, concluding:

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks for the Son and the gift of the Holy Meal.

...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

We give thanks for God's presence, the Holy Spirit, concluding:

...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

With the confidence of God's children, we are bold to pray together:

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.

[While standing, receive the bread and cup. Then pray at the rail or return to your seat. Offerings left at the rail go to the needy. You may wish to receive with these words. If you wish to remain seated, please alert an usher and a server will come to you.]

The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ given for you. **Amen.**

*Prayer after Receiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others,

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.