

November 6, 2022 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

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We are an open and affirming congregation.

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3955 West Big Beaver Road Troy, Michigan 48084

Masks are required for in-person worship.

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The Church Gathers

Prelude

Welcome Pastor Paul

*Call to Worship Deann Balogh

We gather to worship with many needs this day,

and in many morning moods:

Some of us are ready to shout:

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord..."

Some of us echo the psalmist's anguish;

"Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice..."

Some of us are looking for guidance and direction from the Word of God:

"more to be desired are they than gold...

sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb..."

Some of us long passionately to be close to God:

"As a deer longs for the flowing streams,

so my soul longs for you, O God..."

God stands ready and able to respond to our needs.

In that assurance, let us worship God.

*Opening Hymn

Gather Your People

CP 172

Refrain:

Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord.

One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather your people, O Lord.

- 1. Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters, each of us called to walk in your light. [Refrain]
- 2. We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each other, each of the gifts the Spirit provides. [Refrain]
- 3. No more harm on the mountain of God; swords into plowshares. Free us, O Lord, from hardness of heart. [Refrain]
- 4. Wash us, Lord, in the waters of life, waters of mercy, waters of hope that flow from your side. [Refrain]

*Invocation Prayer

Deann Balogh

Sharing in God's Word

Scripture Job 19:23-27a Deann Balogh

Sermon Disciples Live by Faith Pastor Paul

*Invitation Hymn I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

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1. I know that my Redeemer liveth, and on the earth again shall stand;

I know eternal life he giveth, that grace and pow'r are in His hand.

Refrain:

I know, I know that Jesus liveth, and on the earth again shall stand.

I know, I know that life he giveth, that grace and pow'r are in his hand.

- 2. I know his promise never faileth, the word he speaks, it cannot die; tho' cruel death my flesh assaileth, yet I shall see him by and by. [Refrain]
- 3 I know my mansion he prepareth, that where he is there I may be; O wondrous tho't, for me he careth, and he at last will come for me. [Refrain]

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Paul

Giving and Receiving Gifts

Hymn of Preparation: In Remembrance of Me

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In remembrance of me eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine In remembrance of me pray for the time when God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor. In remembrance of me, open the door and let your neighbor in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted; drink and remember too. That this is my body and precious blood shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love. In remembrance of me, don't look above, but in your heart, look for God. Do this in remembrance of me.

Call to Offering

Eugene James

Giving is an important part of Christian life; our financial offerings not only support the ministry of the church but serve as an expression of faith and trust in the God who provides. For in-person worship, please place your offerings in the baskets at the back of the church upon exiting. For those worshiping online, you may mail in your offerings or use our Givelify app, found on the website.

Call to Communion and Words of Institution

Eugene James

Prayer Eugene James

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Distributing the Elements

Sharing of Bread and Cup:

Jesus Christ invites all who are present, in person and online, to join with him at the communion table. For in-person worship, you may use your own elements or the pre-packaged elements of bread and juice. If worshiping online, we invite you to participate using elements from home.

Prayer after Communion

What a fellowship is ours about the Lord's Table, O God! Filled with your Spirit, let us rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep — living in harmony with one another. So far as it depends on us, help us to live peaceably with all. Amen.

*Closing Hymn Step by Step CP 14

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

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I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your way; and step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

*Benediction Pastor Paul

Postlude

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This Week at Central Woodward

For more calendar details, check centralwoodwardchristian.com/calendar

Sun Nov 6 10:30 am Worship Service

Youth Sunday School (In person and online)

11:45 am Adult Sunday School

Weds Nov 9 1:30 pm Bible Study
Thur Nov 10 7:00 pm Book Study

Sun Nov 13 10:30 am Worship Service

Youth Sunday School

(In person and online)

11:45 am Adult Sunday School 2:00 pm Woodward Hills

Sun Nov 20 10:30 am Worship Service

Youth Sunday School (In person and online)

11:45 am Adult Sunday School

<u>Prayer Requests</u> Health, Healing & Support:

Nancy Fisher, David Heym,
Ruth Mills, Fran Precup,
Dick Zimmerman,
CWCC's Pastoral Search Team,
CWCC in this transitional time,
Christian Church Michigan
Region

CWCC provides a confidential prayer chain.

Please contact Pam Brininger at 248-650-3875 for more information.

Sunday Worship Schedule

Sunday, November 13	Sunday, November 20
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Scripture: Isaiah 65:17-25	Scripture: Colossians 1:11-20
Sermon: Disciples Take Their Faith Public	Sermon: Disciples Give Ultimate Allegiance to Christ
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