

Prayer of Consecration

Paul Gorden

(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation.)

Communion Music

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body of Christ.

**All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our Communion
in the blood of Christ. Amen.**

Benediction

Postlude

March of the Priests

Mendelssohn

Dee Dee Gain, organ



*The Cradle Cross and rose on the altar today are in honor of
Rowan Nicole Shartzter,
born to Cole & Andrea Shartzter on April 28, 2021.*



Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois
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Sunday, May 2, 2021

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Youth Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope

GATHERING

Prelude ***Adagio Cantabile*** J. S. Bach
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Introit

*Opening Hymn
The Voice of God is Calling (vs. 1, 2, 3) No. 666

*Responsive Reading

Leader: Our actions speak louder than our words.

People: Faithful actions build up the community.

Leader: Our actions reveal what lies in our heart.

People: Faithful actions build up the community.

Leader: The voice of God is calling us to action.

People: Faithful actions build up the community.

Leader: We heed God's call and enter into service.

People: Faithful actions build up the community.

Leader: Speak Lord, and we answer. Command and we obey.

Take us and make us holy. Teach us your will and way.

People: Faithful actions build up the community.

*Invocation

*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 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.

*Gloria Patri No. 35

Children's Message

PRAYER

Prayer Hymn ***My Faith Looks Up To Thee*** No. 576

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response

PROCLAMATION

Offertory Invitation

Special Music ***Inscription of Hope*** Z. Randall Stroope
Women's Chorus

Scripture Reading **Matthew 21:28-32**

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon ***Priests: Re-connecting With God***

RESPONSE

Invitation to Discipleship

Communion Hymn ***Take My Life (vs. 1, 2, 3, 6)*** No. 609
(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)

Meditation Vicky Woolridge

Words of Institution

Worship Extras

May 2, 2021

Current COVID Guidelines

We ask that you please observe the following precautions:

- Please wear masks throughout the building
- Masks may be removed when seated in worship
- Please wear masks for singing
- Please wait for ushers to dismiss you from your seat at end of service

For your reflection (in preparation for the message):

Growing up, what was one chore you dreaded doing?

Priests: Honoring God with our Actions

Monday – **read** Matthew 21:28-32 **THREE** times

Tuesday – **pray** for 5 people

Wednesday – go out of your way to **encourage** someone

Thursday – Spend the day being a **good example** for others

Friday – **Give** something of value to someone in need

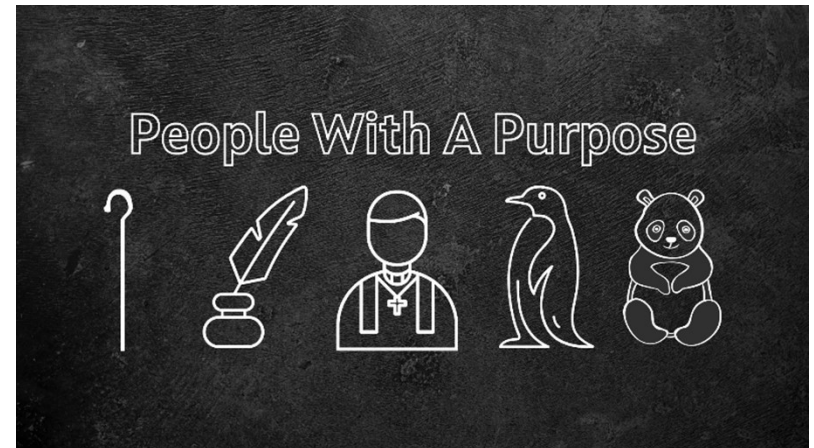
Blest Be the Tie that Binds (v. 2)

When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain

But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again

Matthew 21:28-32 NRSV

²⁸ “What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ The father^[a] went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. ³¹ Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³² For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.



About Today's Music

Special Music

Inscription of Hope

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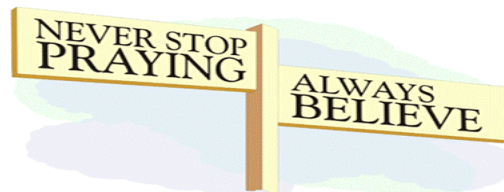
The words to this anthem were inscribed on the walls of a cellar in Cologne, Germany, where Jews were hiding from the Nazis during World War II.

I believe in the sun even when it is not shining.
And I believe in love even when there's no one there.
And I believe in God even when he is silent,
I believe through any trial there is always a way.

But sometimes in this suffering and hopeless despair,
my heart cries for shelter, to know someone's there.
But a voice rises within me saying hold on my child.
I'll give you strength, I'll give you hope. Just stay a little while.

May there someday be sunshine. May there someday
be happiness.
May there someday be love. May there someday be peace.

Prayer List



Members

Howard Cravens
Jean Booher
Lawrence Turner
Barbara Tyler
Karma Lynn Carpenter
Unique Hess
Evelyn Sanders
Don Boyd
Gretchen Barron
Linda Kuhns
Bob Bischoff
Pat Ash
Carol Wade
Morris Birkhead
Kathy Kauzlarich
David Poisel
Herb & Duff Knudsen
Jim Taylor

Members in Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Arlene Penn (Imboden Creek)
Zettie Stern (Imboden Creek)
Louise Boline (Imboden Creek)
Claudine Nichols (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Warren Berner (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Elaine Hynds (Imboden Creek Gardens)
Wanda Poisel (Imboden Creek Gardens)
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Marilyn Riley (Randall Residence)
Max Sperry (Randall Residence)
Glen & Arlone Dalluge (Randall Residence)
Dottie Scholes (Hickory Pt Christian Village)
Doris Matey (Hickory Pt Christian Village)
Ellen Sheffer (Hickory Pt Christian Village)
Joan Smith (Heritage Health)
Bess King (The Glenwood)

We Pray for Those in the Military:

Bobby Backes (nephew of Keith & Jeannie Backes)
Trysten Hall (son of Sheila & Charles Hall, great-grandson
of Lawrence & Sally Thicksten)
Phillip Johnston (son of Becky Johnston)
Mitchell Lucas (grandson of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Jeremiah & Rachel Singletary (great-nephew of
Marilyn Ward)
Katy Taylor (granddaughter of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Lucas Ward (grandson of Marilyn Ward)

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Friends & Family

Misty Mochel (friend of Marci Baumann)
Gary & Diane Lockwood (Friends of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Barb Disney (Friend of Penny Rutherford)
Shannon Francisco (Friend of Bob Smith)
Bryanna Shaw (Friend of Maria Jacobs)
Timothy Littrell (friend of the Lintons & the Bednars)
Brook Stewart (Parents friend of Jim & Pamela Bednar)
Janet May Carpenter (mother of Karma Lynn Carpenter)
Mark Boline (son of Louise Boline)
Anne Hostetler (friend of many CCC members)
Michael Moran (son in law of Larry & Marla Winkleblack)
Catherine Bower (friend of Jerry Bean)
Carter Goodman (nephew of Greg & Gale Barnes)
Melissa Phelps (friend of Derald Hartley)
Jill Bolin (Larry & Marla Winkleblack's daughter)
Carrol Virt (father of Diana Ritter)
Juanita Churchill (mother of Theresa Fulk)
Dr. Albert "Albie" Gillman (friend of Marci Baumann)
Sally Brown (friend of Roberta Gorden)
Ruth Albin (family of Nancy Ellen Taylor)
Gil Baumann (father of Steve Baumann)
Michelle Yeager (daughter of Gail Prince)
Sherry Hulva (neighbor of Gail Prince)
Mac Funk (son of Steve & Carrie Funk)
Dan Boynton (friend of Jim & Pamela Bednar)
Edna Straghan (mother of Kathy Kauzlarich)
Kaciana Schmidt (great-niece of Joy Adams)
Stacy Dill (friend of Donna Dash)
Bev Carter (friend of Donna Dash)