

September 14, 2025 Welcome Sunday!

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Rev. Bob Nolan, Pastor Walter Sage, Organist & Choir Director Tanya Crowley, Office Administrator *Please stand as you are able

Prelude Walter Sage

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship (Inspired by Jeremiah 18 & Psalm 139)

One: Let us enter the presence of our God with a renewed heart and a right spirit.

Many: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love.

One Let us speak, hear, and embrace truth and the wisdom of God.

Many: Strengthen and empower us, O God, according to your steadfast love.

One Let us hear joy and gladness. Restore our crushed spirits.

Many: Revive us again, O God, according to your steadfast love.

*Opening Hymn "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

No. 464

Invocation (unison)

Maker of Heaven and Earth, we rejoice in your presence. In you, we find joy and strength, comfort and courage, truth and insight. Speak to us again. Reveal your power in and through us. Show us your glory and be glorified in our worship. May your glorious light shine through hidden spaces. May your blessed darkness make space for rest. Fortify us for this journey and make us instruments of your kindom. Amen.

*Gloria Patri No. 623

Children's Message

Marilyn Rodriguez

Scripture Luke 15: 1-10 (NRSVUE)

15 Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This one welcomes sinners and eats with them."

- ³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.
- ⁸ "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Sermon "The Welcoming Moment" Pastor Bob

Anthem "O Praise The Lord With Heart And Voice" CBC Choir by Joseph Haydn (1732-1809); Arranged by Hal H. Hopson (1979) This piece is taken from Haydn's magnificent oratorio, The Creation, composed in 1798 at age 66.

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

Holy God, you seek us when we are lost. You do not turn away from those who others minimize and demean. Help us to recognize the belovedness of every human being and all your creation. Give us courage and curiosity to engage with those that others would ignore or isolate. Let us rejoice on earth as your rejoice in heaven as we make restoration, redemption, and reconciliation abound among us. Amen.

Sharing our Joys & Concerns

Words of Grace

Pastor Bob

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, forever. Amen.

Offering & Offertory

Invitation to Generosity

Pastor Bob

Offertory Meditation

Walter Sage

*Doxology

No. 625

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God our Provider, receive these gifts in gratitude from your people. We pray that these offerings meet the needs of the world and our community. May they serve as a public witness of our commitment to being your church. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "He Leadeth Me"

No. 461

Benediction

Pastor Bob

Benediction Response "Spirit of the Living God" No. 247

Postlude

Walter Sage

WELCOME TO CBC

Welcome to Central Baptist Church. Please join us following the service for coffee hour in Clarke Hall.

If you have questions about our congregation, please speak with our deacons.

We now have a nursery! Please sign up to take a turn. The sign-up sheet is in the parlor.

Welcome Sunday!

Please join us today for our Worship Service and pot-lick brunch afterward.

All are welcome.

THIS WEEK AT CBC

Exercise with us!

This Fun group meets on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:30 to 9:30 at Clarke Hall. We use various exercise videos appropriate for all levels. We start with a gentle warm-up, walk about two miles, then cool down, followed by gentle stretches. Sometimes we use light weights and floor mats (provided). Contact Ellen Greene at 932-8288 for questions.

Community Chair Yoga (free)

Classes are In Person Mondays | 1:00 - 2:00 pm with Susan.

- ** Free for all Jamestown Pantry Participants and to the CBC congregation
- ** open to all Jamestown residents for free too
- ** Pre-registration appreciated at shriyoga.org

CBC OPPORTUNITIES

Little Dresses

The mission of "Little Dresses for Africa" is to provide relief to African children, by distributing home-made dresses to little girls, primarily in African villages, but also other countries in crisis. These meetings will be on the last Thursday of the month from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Clarke Hall.

CBC CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, Sept. 14—Welcome Sunday.

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, Sept.15

1:00 p.m. Chair Yoga

Tuesday, Sept. 16

8:30 a.m. Exercise with us!

Thursday, Sept. 18

8:30 a.m. Exercise with us!

Sunday, Sept. 21

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

Sunday, September 7th attendance: 50

CBC Special Church Meeting

A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday the 28th after worship in Clarke Hall to vote on 1) using insurance claim compensation for building repairs and 2) whether to move forward with a solar installation and battery storage project. All members are encouraged to attend and take part in this important decision.

CBC COFFEE HOUR

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Sunday Coffee hour following the worship service. There are instructions for setting up & clean up are near the back of the sink. You have the choice to provide snacks or not. If anyone is interested, please sign up, the sign-up sheet in Clarke Hall kitchen

The Jamestown Community Food Pantry

A nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting food insecure Jamestown residents. Central Baptist Church supports the mission of the JCFP by providing the space for the food pantry's operations. Additionally, CBC has an ongoing nonperishable food collection that is donated to the JCFP monthly. During **September**, the food pantry needs **Pasta sauce**, cans of soup and cans of fruit.

Donations can be placed in the church basket in the parlor

CBC PRAYERS

Cynthia Leonard requested prayers for Dan. Dan's son, Chris, is being taken off of life support today.

Barbara Haskell requested prayers for her friends Pat and Joel, who live in Ohio. Pat has pancreatic cancer, stage 4. Joel has advanced stages of Parkinson's disease.

Laurel Champlin asked for prayers for her and her family. Laurel's cousin passed away last week.

Jill prayers for Marilyn Rodriguez and her family. Marilyn's ex husband, Dave passed away yesterday.

Continued prayers for Cheryl Page and Butch Lemke.

Prayers of joy for the birth of Josie Royster on Saturday. Josie was 34 weeks, weighs 5 lbs, 10 oz. Josie is in the NiCU and doing well. Lauren asks that we pray for Josie.

Cheryl Page is in need of extra prayers this week

September Birthdays

Cheryl Page

Sept. 22nd

September Anniversaries

Duana & Marshall Hodges Sept. 11th
Marsha & Fred Brome Sept. 18th

If you would like your birthday or anniversary recognized, Please contact Ellen Green by phone 401-932-8288 or email: en707@cox.net

CBC Courier

We will begin our monthly newsletter starting in October. The deadline for the October issue of our church newsletter is Monday September 22nd at 9:00 a.m. Please submit materials them to cbctanya1@gmail.com.

CHURCH OFFICE

Our church office hours: Monday - Thursday 10a.m.-1p.m.

For administrative needs please call the church office.

You may reach Tanya Crowley, administrative assistant, by calling the office at **423-1651**; email **cbctanya1@gmail.com**

For pastoral and emergency needs contact the pastor,

Rev. Bob Nolan - Email: nolan062400@gmail.com

Cell: (401) 339-6134 Pastor Bob's QR Code:

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Bulletin Announcements

Please submit announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the church office by 10:00 a.m. on the preceding Wednesday.

Joys & Concerns

If you have a need or a celebration you would like to share, please speak with the pastor, one of our deacons or forward the information to the church office.

Flowers

All Are welcome to purchase flowers if they would like to honor someone, or as a memorial. We will have the flower request forms on the table in the parlor and will be placed on the altar on the week of their choosing. The flowers will be ordered through The Secret Garden; but you may choose to purchase your own flowers. We just ask you to please fill out the form so we can add it to the bulletin. Any questions, please contact the church office.

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