

*Order of Service 10.24.2021

Sheet Music Available

Prelude

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

—arr. Hayes/Wagner

Acolyte—Olivia Homan

Welcome

Call to Worship

Glorious Day (CCLI # 7081388)

V1, V2, CH, V3, CH, Bridge, CH

Verse 1

I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight
It was my tomb 'til I met You

Verse 2

I was breathing but not alive
All my failures I tried to hide
It was my tomb 'til I met You

Chorus

('Cause when) You called my name (and)
I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day
You called my name (and)
I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day

Verse 3

Now Your mercy has saved my soul
Now Your freedom is all that I know
The old made new Jesus when I met You

Bridge

I needed rescue my sin was heavy
But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter I was an orphan
Now You call me a citizen of Heaven
When I was broken You were my healing
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing
I have a future my eyes are open (**Chorus**)

Opening Hymn

You Never Let Go (CCLI# 4674166)

V1, Pre-Ch, Ch, V2, Pre-Ch, Ch, Bridge x2, Ch x2

Verse 1

Even though I walk through the valley
Of the shadow of death
Your perfect love is casting out fear
And even when I'm caught in the middle
Of the storms of this life
I won't turn back I know You are near

Pre-Chorus

And I will fear no evil
For my God is with me
And if my God is with me
Whom then shall I fear
Whom then shall I fear

Chorus 1

Oh no You never let go
Through the calm and through the storm
Oh no You never let go
In ev'ry high and ev'ry low
Oh no You never let go

Lord You never let go of me

Verse 2

And I can see a light that is coming
For the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare
And there will be an end to these troubles
But until that day comes
We'll live to know You here on the earth

Pre Chorus

Chorus

Bridge

Yes I can see a light
That is coming for the
heart that holds on
And there will be
an end to these troubles
But until that day comes
Still I will praise You
Still I will praise You (**REPEAT**)

Chorus 2x

Announcements

Morning Prayer

Special Music

Where He Leads Me/
Wherever He Leads I'll Go Medley

I can hear my Savior calling
I can hear my Savior calling
I can hear my Savior calling
Take Thy cross and follow, follow me

I'll go with Him to the garden
I'll go with Him through the garden
I'll go with Him through the garden
I'll go with Him, with Him all the way

Where He leads me I will follow
Where He leads me I will follow
Where He leads me I will follow

I'll go with Him, with Him all the way
Take up thy cross and follow me
I heard my Master say
"I gave my life to ransom thee

Surrender your all today"
Wherever He leads, I'll go
Wherever He leads, I'll go
I'll follow my Christ who loves me so
Wherever He leads, I'll go

I'll go with Him through the judgment,
I'll go with Him through the judgment,
I'll go with Him through the judgment,
I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.

Where He leads me I will follow
Where He leads me I will follow
Where He leads me I will follow
I'll go with Him, with Him all the way

Offering

O God of Every Nation—arr. Krug

Doxology

UMH 94
Praise God, from whom all blessings
flow, Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise
Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise
the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 16:13-25

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living

God." 17 And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. 21 From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." 23 But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." 24 Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

Sermon "Replace Fear with Faith"

Apostle's Creed (No. 881 UMH)

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 arose 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.

Closing Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

(UMH 526) V1, V2, V3

Verse 1

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Verse 3

Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will
find a solace there.

Benediction

Postlude

A Festal Postlude—Barr



United Methodist Church

All Saints Day will be November 1, 2021 where we will remember our members who have passed away since the last All Saints Day.

Family Fellowship Night is Back! November 10 at 6:15pm. Circle 4 will be providing a Thanksgiving meal. Julie Proctor founder of the Manos De Fe mission will be presenting the program. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, November 8.

KID Central News

For safety reasons and program enhancement KID Central attendees will begin checking in at 9:45am in the Nursery/Education wing and will be going straight to their classrooms. Thank you for your cooperation and support as we go through this transition to bring you a better KID Central experience for the children of Central UMC.

The Russell Fellowship Class Christmas Project will be collecting cash and blankets this year (no toys). They will be serving around 30 families in the community. To donate, please earmark your checks for Russell Christmas Project. For more information, please contact the church office at 704-739-2471.

Hearing Assist System

We now have a Hearing Assist System that will allow you to connect via a belt pack that the church provides or if you have a smartphone, you can use it with your own hearing aid when you download the WaveCAST Audio Receiver app.

Sunday School News

Central UMC is now offering a congregational wide Sunday School Class. Join us at 9:00am for our Sunday School Class.

Special Notice:

Please note masks are encouraged for all members and visitors until further notice 8.23.21

October Ushers: Clyde Kerns & Joe Patterson

Greeter: Katherine Hicks & Mary Wade Smith

Upcoming Events

Today is our **2nd Annual Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat** from 5:00-7:00pm.

Mondays: Bells of Praise, 6:00pm

Mary's Breakfast Bunch on 10/26, 9:00am

Trustees Meeting, 11/2 6pm

Charge Conference, 11/8, 7pm

Operation Christmas Child Underway

Join us in reaching 150 children this year with the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Make out your check to Central and designate in the memo line Operation Christmas Child and the donation is \$25 per box. You can also pay online and choose your own shoebox items on the CUMC Goal Page at <https://sampur.se/2Zkijsl>

For more information, please see Audrey Brooks or contact the church office.

The UMM Annual Soup Sale will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021 in the CAC from 11am-2pm. Please see a UMM member to purchase tickets or call the church office at 704-739-2471.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Marilyn Hamrick's Birthday by her children.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE

(10/17) 10:00a Service.....74

Operating Fund

Contributions 10/17 \$ 3,432.08

Contributions YTD \$296,382.07

Capital Improvements Fund

Contributions 10/10 \$ 0.00

Contributions YTD \$ 600.00

Thank you for your support!

PRAYER LIST: PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Praises and concerns will stay on this list for one month unless otherwise requested.

Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound: Peggy Ramey; Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; Ruth Wilson, Betty Masters; John & Evelyn Eagle.

Praise: Austin O'Kelley Broadway and Dr. Kelsey Flint-Martin are to be married in Watkins-Glen, NY on November 1. Austin is the grandson of Mary Wade O'Kelley Smith. The newlyweds will reside in Irmo, SC.

Military Personnel: SGT Tyler Dixon-Marines; SSGT Jonathan Brucker-Army; CAPT Alex Plonk-Air Force; S 1 Tyler Hellstrand-Navy; Abbey Wallace-Air Force (Afghanistan); SSG Colby Bailey—Army; LT Boone McDaniel, Navy; CAPT Wendell Bunch, Jr.—Army; CAPT Alex Young,—Air Force; SGT Joshua Brucker (Syria).

Concerns (members/constituents/church-related concerns): Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Judy Norwood 7.12.21; Stephanie Thennis 8.10.21; Ernie & Lisa Howell 9.27.21 Passing of Marie Brinkley's mother, Lala Myers 10.6.21.

Concerns (friends/relatives/other concerns): All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Nancy Radford 6.7.21; Allen Ware 6.14.21 (colon cancer/www.caringbridge.org/visit/allenware); Sherry Wilson 6.25.21; Sidney Bridges 8.9.21; Sidney Bridges (brain tumor) 9.19.21; Rob Croft (former youth director) 9.26.21; Trent Hullender (Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma) 10.18.21; Bob Smith III 10.20.21.