

**Central Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Third Sunday of Easter**

Prelude

“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain”

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting and Sharing Christ’s Peace

****Call to Worship**

L: Come with your doubts and fears.

P: **This is scary.**

L: Call on God, who will answer you.

P: **God is hard to hear these days.**

L: Come to the One who will give your souls peace. It is so hard to believe.

Come, claim your identity as beloved children of God.

P: **We come, uncertain, but longing to hear God speak to us this morning.**

****Hymn of Praise**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” (all vss)

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Opening Prayer (all)

Come to us, God, for we are waiting—waiting and hoping that your word of peace will soothe our fearful and doubting souls. Open our hearts to the message you would share with us today through song, prayer and meditation, that our souls might reach out, touch you, and believe. Help us claim our identity as your beloved children. Help us live into this identity, today and always, that we might radiate your love to others. Come, beloved One, we are here to listen and be transformed. Amen.

Hymn

“There’s Something About That Name” (all vss)

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Scripture

Sermon

“Guess Who’s Coming for Breakfast”

Rev. Alicia Burton

*Please stand if you can in body or spirit!

Invitation to Discipleship

****Hymn of Discipleship**

“Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us” (all vss)

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Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer (Feel free to pray in whatever form you are most familiar)

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering Meditation

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”

***Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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Affirmation of Faith and Invitation to the Table

Linda Dean

(In Unison) As Disciples of Christ we welcome All to God’s table of Grace where we are empowered to serve without boundaries.

Hymn of Communion

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” (vss 1,3,4)

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Prayers for the Bread and the Cup

Receiving the Gift of Communion (Please hold bread and cup to partake together)

Words of Institution

****Closing Hymn**

“Peace Be Upon You”

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Benediction

Go in peace. Go to serve God and to serve your neighbor. For Jesus Christ is Lord!

Christ is Lord indeed! Amen.

****Postlude**

Today’s Schedule

09:30am –Adult Choir Rehearsal

10:00am –Sunday School

10:55am –Worship Service

12:10pm-CLC Meeting

We welcome our visitors today! You give us joy by worshiping with us.

May your week be full of God’s blessings, and please feel free to ask questions.

Worship Leader: Beth Heusser

Music Leader: Muzetta Miller

Acolyte: Fisher Davis

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FUTURE EVENTS:

April 22—Coffee & Roses-9:30am
Elders Meeting-12:10pm
May 06—Board Meeting-12:10pm

BIRTHDAYS

April 15—Trina Murdock
16—Kaitlyn Brooke Gregory
20—Dot Woodard

ANNIVERSARIES

April 21—Doylene and Charles Knapper

PRAYER LIST

Dot & Bob Woodard, Michael Witt, Doris Beesley,
Betty Woodard, Clay Riggins, Brenda Fulbright

Willow Oak Center for Arts & Learning

Multicultural Arts Festival – Saturday, May 5,
10–3pm, The Center, Free arts event for
all ages

Today's Scriptures—Luke 24:36-48

(New Testament, page 89)

³⁶While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost.

³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?”

³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”

⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?”

⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them,

“Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.

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