



CENTRAL
CHURCH IN THE PARK

6.13.21

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

ONE: Sisters and Brothers, we rise to a new day,
Called into life by the God who was and is and ever shall be.

**ALL: In all our comings and goings, God is ever with us,
calling us into this moment, then the next moment.
Thanks be to God.**

Song for All

"I Will Follow"

Chris Tomlin

Chorus

*Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move. I will follow. Oh, oh, oh.*

Verse 1

*All Your ways are good, All Your ways are sure;
I will trust in You alone.*

Chorus

*Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You.
Whom You love, I'll love; How You serve, I'll serve;
If this life I lose, I will follow You. Yeah, I will follow You. Yeah.*

Verse 2

*Light into the world, Light into my life;
I will live for You alone.
You're the One I seek, knowing I will find
All I need in You alone.*

Repeat Chorus

Bridge

*In You, there's life everlasting. In You, there's freedom for my soul.
In You, there's joy, unending joy; And I will follow.*

Repeat Chorus

Prayer of the People and The 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture

I Corinthians 3:6-8 (Message Paraphrase)

Focus Song

"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

Hillsong

Verse 1

*You call me out upon the waters,
The great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find You in the mystery,
In oceans deep, my faith will stand.*

Chorus

*And I will call upon Your name and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise, my soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine.*

Verse 2

*Your grace abounds in deepest waters,
Your sovereign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me,
You've never failed and You won't start now.*

Repeat Chorus**Bridge**

*Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders,
Let me walk upon the waters wherever You would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
and my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior.*

Message "Thanks for Growing the Garden this Far!" Rev. Chris Lane

Celebrating all of Our Gifts

Farewell Gifts for Pastor Dale and Debbie

Gifts We've Brought for God

Song for All

"Be Thou My Vision"

UMH No. 451

Verse 1

*Be thou my vision, O lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

Verse 2

*Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, what ever be fall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

Verse 3

*Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

A Litany of Farewell to Pastor Dale

Pastor Chris: Now the time has come to say farewell to Pastor Dale.

We know God's amazing grace will abide with him and Debbie in their next chapter of life.

Pastor Dale: I thank you, the members and friends of Central United Methodist Church, for the love and support you have shown to me and my family over the 14 years I have served as your lead pastor.

I am grateful for the ways my leadership was accepted and made a difference. I ask your forgiveness for my mistakes while among you. As I leave, I carry with me many good memories, along with all that I have learned, into the next adventures God has in store for me. Your influence on my faith and faithfulness will remain with me.

ALL: We receive your thankfulness, offer our forgiveness, and accept your leaving. We are thankful for how you have led us with heart, mind and spirit and bless you as you now leave. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes. Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will not leave with your departure.

Pastor Dale: I accept your gratitude and forgiveness, and I forgive you, trusting that our time together and our parting are pleasing to God. I release you from turning to me and depending on me. I encourage your continuing ministry here; to be bold, to give yourselves to the new thing God is doing. I will pray for you and your pastors. Please pray with me now -

ALL: O God of the past, present and future - whose steadfast love is from everlasting to everlasting, we give you thanks for cherished memories, and commend one another into your care as we move in new directions. Keep us one in your love forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song for All

"Love the Lord"

Lincoln Brewster

Verse 1

Love the Lord your God With all your heart, with all your soul

With all your mind, and with all your strength

Love the Lord your God With all your heart, with all your soul

With all your mind, and with all your strength

Chorus

With all your heart, With all your soul

With all your mind, With all your strength

Love the Lord your God With all your heart with all your soul

With all your mind, and with all your strength.

Verse 2

I will serve the Lord, with all my heart

With all my soul, with all my mind, And with all my strength.

I will serve the Lord, with all my heart

With all my soul, with all my mind, And with all my strength.

Chorus 2

With all my heart, With all my soul

With all my mind, With all my strength

I will serve the Lord With all my heart with all my soul

With all my mind, and with all my strength.

Bridge

I will love You (I will love You) I will praise You (I will praise You)

I will serve You (I will serve you) I will trust You (I will trust You)

Repeat Chorus 2

Parting Blessing

Rev. John Ellinger (ret.)

May God bless you and keep you;

May God's face shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

May God lift up God's own countenance before you

And give you peace. Amen.

Thank you for joining us today!



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