



Central United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

Organized 1810—Incorporated 1822—Sanctuary completed 1867

October 15, 2023

20th Sunday After Pentecost

A Peculiar People: “*Submitting to be More Vile*”

OUR WELCOMING STATEMENT

Central United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Congregation. Regardless of your race, ethnicity, immigration status, gender identity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, age, ability, belief, or background, whether you are single or partnered, you are God’s beloved and you are welcome here.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We envision Central United Methodist Church as a vital, diverse, River of Life nurtured by the light of Christ, rooted deeply in and living the scriptures, a holy presence in the center of the City of Detroit, transforming individuals, institutions, and the world, advocating peace and justice in all we do.

* Indicates when to stand, if able in body or in spirit. **Please silence cell phones. W&S=Worship & Song Hymnal Guide: UMH = The United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS = The Faith We Sing

ACTS OF PRAISE

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING MUSIC

I Don’t Care What the World May Do

Bobbi Thompson

ACTS OF SHARING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Deaconess Anne Hillman

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING



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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ACTS OF PROCLAMATION

*SCRIPTURE

Mark 2: 23-28

One Sabbath day Jesus took a walk through the grain fields, and the disciples began to pick ears of grain as they went along. The Pharisees said to Jesus, “Look, why are they doing something on the Sabbath day that is forbidden?”

And Jesus replied, “Did you never read what David did in his time of need when he and his followers were hungry—how David went into the house of God when Abiathar was high priest and ate the loaves of offering, which only the priests are allowed to eat, and how he also gave some to those with him?”

Then Jesus said to them, “The Sabbath was made for people, not people for the Sabbath. That is why the Chosen One is ruler even of the Sabbath.”

ONE: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

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Rev. Paul Perez

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

CHOIR BENDICATION

Choir

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