

Welcome to



Central Church

Our Mission

Central United Methodist Church Glorifies God through the Work of Ministry and the Making of Disciples of Jesus Christ.

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CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Worship Celebration Service

July 16, 2017

9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

GATHERING

Large print hymnals and bulletins are available. Please ask an usher.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please sign, pass, and return red friendship pads in each pew at this time.
Also prepare Prayer Request Sheets during this time.*

INTROIT "I Know Whom I Have Believed" vs. 1-3 Hymnal 714

*CALL TO WORSHIP (congregation in bold)

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.

All your works praise you, Lord, and your faithful servants bless you. They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: Let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: "Blessed Assurance" Hymnal 369
Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Almighty God, your love for us and for all people is powerful beyond measure. Your love is so vast that nothing will prevail against it. We know this love is trustworthy because of Jesus Christ: his life of compassion, death on the cross, and resurrection to live among us. In life and death we belong to you, holy triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Lead us in praise and worship, all to your glory. Amen

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*HYMN "Open our Eyes" TFWS 2086

Please Remain Standing for the Reading of the Scriptures

*SCRIPTURE: Psalm 40:1-5

SERMON: "Melody in Your Heart:
"Because of our Redemption" Pastor Dominic Tommy
"Fill My Cup" Video

PRAYER CONCERNS, PRAISES, MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER,
PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION FOR OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Dear Lord Jesus, we thank you today for the gift of faith that makes it possible for us to respond to you in spirit and in truth. We thank you for the fellowship that we enjoy with you from day to day. As we have received from you, even so today we bring to you our tithes and offerings in a spirit of worship that indicates our hope and our desire to give ourselves completely to you and to your will for us. Bless these gifts to the work of your kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*CLOSING HYMN "Victory in Jesus" Hymnal 370

*BENEDICTION

*RINGING OF THE BELLS

*POSTLUDE

****Please stand as you are able***

The United Methodist Women are accepting items for the annual fall rummage sale from church members only. No books please. Please contact Terri Catt to schedule your drop-off (480-231-7785).

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Sign-up sheets for altar flowers, coffee hour, and greeters for the rest of the year are posted on the bulletin board and are wide open. You can pick a special day to celebrate an anniversary, birthday, or family memorial or any time just to help out. *Committee Chairs are asked to look ahead and sign up or block off anything necessary.*

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Have you dropped your landline and changed to a cell phone? How about a change of address, summer or winter? Now is the time to update the church office so we have the most current information.

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If you missed the July newsletter last week, copies are available on the ushers' tables. There are also prayer calendars for July; please take one home and include in your daily devotions.

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I would like to thank everyone who has been praying for my back to heal. It is working. I am able to bend and do things I didn't know if I was ever going to be able to do again. I appreciate your good thoughts, and am feeling very Blessed to know that so many people care about me enough to spend extra time out of their day speaking to our Lord on my behalf. I have asked my mother to remove my name from the prayer list because I am doing much better, and know that there are others out there that need His help more than myself at this time. You are always welcome to pray for me and my family anyway, as I will be praying for you and yours. I live in a very loving community. Sincerely, Jim Decker

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The Ionia County Literacy Council is looking for volunteer tutors to help adults improve their reading, math or English speaking skills. Are you looking for a meaningful volunteer project? If this sounds like you, please call (616-389-8529) or email (ionialiteracy@gmail.com). We are also reaching out to those who need our services!

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Cowboy-up with singer and song-writer, Joni Harms, for a night of American country music, sponsored by Sunny Crest Youth Ranch on Wednesday, August 16th, 7:00 pm. The Lakewood UMC will host the event; a freewill offering will go to benefit the Ranch.

MINISTER: Every Member of This Church
PASTOR: Rev. Dominic Tommy
SECRETARY: Kim Stoepker
ORGANIST: Marilyn Noffke
CHOIR DIRECTOR: Jackie Spagnuolo
CUSTODIANS: Mike McCartney / Rolando Varela
TODAY'S SERVICE:

Audio/Visual

Today: Tony Barcroft / Shelly Reiser
Next Sunday: Chuck Rayner / Shelly Reiser

Coffee Fellowship

Today: Welcome Potluck for Pastor Dominic & Comfort
Next Sunday: Open

Greeters

Today: John & Terri Catt / Ruth Bylsma
Next Sunday: Same

Nursery

Today: Lori McNeill / Marcia Bytwerk
Next Sunday: Terri Catt / Dawn Deardorff

Ushers

Today: Gordon Bylsma / Alan Goodemoot
Next Sunday: Same

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Altar flowers today are from God's Garden.

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**In case of a pastoral emergency, please call
Pastor Dominic at the parsonage (374-8294) or on his cell
(269-941-3787) or the Church Office during office hours.**

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Virginia (Ginny) Kruisenga	Unspokens	Tony Barcroft
Kim Seese	Grandson	Betty McMillen
Katie		

For healing of the sick and guidance for those who are lost
Praise: Terri Catt

*Our love and sympathy to the family and friends of
Virginia (Ginny) Kruisenga.*

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Continued in Prayer

Sgt. Branden Curtis	Karl Klynstra	Gary Smith
Sr. Airman Lloyd C. Corston	Toni Robinson	Ed Hilliker
PFC Steven Wakley, Jr	Dale Patterson	Dave & Sue Steeby
1SG Nicholas Ludema	Phylis Armstrong	Hank Minenna
PFC Jason Hilley	Pam Coleman	Susan Steele
Sgt. Nathan Sparrow	Terena Galaviz	Sharon Brink
Ross McDowell	Nadine Speas	Brian Rayner

Our Special Friends

Leah Abbott	Margot Bailey	Ada Dennie
Lois Goodemoot	Marian Klein	Joanne McDaniels
Phil Shetterly		

BIRTHDAYS

7/18 Tom Reiser
7/21 Allison Thelen

OUR PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

Our Missionary, Paul Webster, Zambia, Africa
Mason First UMC, Mason
Retired Pastor George Speas, Woodland

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us immediately following worship today for a get-acquainted potluck in honor of Rev. Dominic Tommy and his wife, Comfort.

EVENTS

Mon 7/17	Finance Committee Meeting – Front Room	6 pm
	A.A. Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm
Tues 7/18	<i>Rental – Front Room</i>	10 am
	Worship Committee Meeting – Front Room	7 pm
Thur 7/20	Respite Care – Lounge	1:30 pm
	Souper Thursday Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall	4:30-6:00 pm
Fri 7/21	<i>Pastor's Sabbath - Church office closed</i>	
Sun 7/23	Worship Service – <i>Noisy Offering</i>	9:30 am
	Rental – Fellowship Hall	1 pm
Mon 7/24	A.A. Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm
Tues 7/25	<i>Rental – Front Room</i>	10 am
	Fellowship & Care Committee Meeting – Lounge	6 pm
	Education Committee – Front Room	7 pm
Wed 7/26	Friendship Group – Fellowship Hall	9 am – 12 pm
Thur 7/27	Respite Care – Lounge	1:30 pm
	Souper Thursday Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall	4:30-6:00 pm
Fri 7/28	<i>Pastor's Sabbath - Church office closed</i>	Mon 7/10
	A.A. Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm
Sun 7/30	Worship Service – Rev. Dominic Tommy	9:30 am
Mon 7/31	A.A. Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm
Tues 8/1	<i>Kim – Out of Office</i>	
	<i>Rental – Front Room</i>	10 am
	Fresh Food Distribution – Back Parking Lot	2 pm

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Mark the Date:
Salad Luncheon – Monday, August 21
Sponsored by the United Methodist Women