

*Central UM Church and  
The United Methodist Women*

# Fall Rummage & Bake Sale



Friday, October 6      9am to 8pm

Saturday, October 7   9am to 12pm

Saturday is \$3/bag day!



Selling Fresh  
Homemade Donuts

Central



**United Methodist Church**  
912 Fourth Avenue,  
Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849  
616-374-8861

## 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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**Rev. Dominic Tommy, Pastor**  
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**CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
***Worship Celebration Service***

September 24, 2017

10:30 a.m.

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GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

NOISY OFFERING *Today's Noisy Offering is designated for the Lakewood Community Christmas Basket program.*

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 "Hymn of Promise" vs. 1-3 Hymnal 707

\*CALL TO WORSHIP – Isaiah 35:1-10 (congregation in bold)

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus;

**It shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God.**

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you."

**And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; but the redeemed shall walk there.**

**And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.**

\*OPENING HYMN: "God of Grace and God of Glory" Hymnal 577  
*Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets*

INVOCATION PRAYER (in unison)

**Our Dear Heavenly Father, we remember with wonder and joy that your spirit is reaching everywhere: rejoicing in the liveliness of all living things; touching what is wounded or ill with healing power; gathering in the lonely, the lost, the least; the broken-hearted; yet in grace you are creating and recreating a vision of hope. Come now, Holy Spirit. Let our worship bring glory to you, lift our hearts, and bind us in one family of loving grace. We ask in Jesus' name; Amen.**

ANTHEM

"I Give My Life"  
*by Jean Anne Shafferman*

Chancel Choir

SHARING PEACE

The Peace of our Lord Jesus be with You!

**And Also with You!**

(Please take this time to greet one another in the Name of Christ by saying, "Peace be with you" and your neighbor says "And also with you")

CHILDREN'S MOMENT **Children age 4 & under are dismissed to the Nursery downstairs immediately following the Children's Moment.**

INVITATION FOR OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" TFWS 2031

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF GIFTS

**Victorious Lord, we offer these gifts to be used in celebration of your steadfast love. We give joyfully so others may join our unending common voice of praise. Let all people sing a new song of thanksgiving that is not merely noise but is a faithful celebration of your love and grace. Thanks be to God! Amen!**

PRAYER CONCERNS, PRAISES, SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN "Into My Heart" TFWS 2160

*Please remain standing for the Reading of God's Word.*

\*SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:42-47 Pew Bible NT#112

SERMON: The Church on the Rock Rev. Dominic Tommy  
*The Church—"Being the Beacon of Hope"*

\*CLOSING HYMN: "Rise Up, O Men of God" Hymnal 576

\*BENEDICTION Choral Response (in the tune of Amazing Grace)  
**"Through Christ You Are a Child of God  
Who dearly loves us all  
Go forth in peace to share God's love;  
Rise up to hear Christ call."**

\*RINGING OF THE BELLS

POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

The annual UMW Fall Rummage and Bake Sale is quickly approaching (see back page). **The church will be open at the following times to drop off your sale items:**

- Monday, October 2  
9 am to 5 pm
- Tuesday, October 3  
9 am to 5 pm
- Wednesday, October 4  
9 am to 9 pm

*Bake sale items must be dropped off Thursday (9 am-4 pm) for pricing. Please contact Terri Catt if you have questions (480-231-7785).*

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Central Church will be opening our doors for the annual Christmas 'Round the Town. Booths will be set up in our Fellowship Hall for vendors and their wares. The UMW will be selling caramel corn and baked goods. Booths are still available; see Terri Catt.

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**Our next Fresh Food Distribution is:**

**Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 PM in our East parking lot.**

Volunteers are always welcome and asked to arrive at 1:30.

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*Change of Address & Phone:*

Ed Reiser 269-795-1323  
c/o Carveth Village  
690 W. Main St., Room 166  
Middleville, MI 49333

*Change of Phone Number:*

Bonnie Leak 616-902-9756

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**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:**

**Worship Assistant**  
Shelly Reiser

**Audio/Visual**

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

**Coffee Fellowship**

*Today:* Bonnie Leak / Thelma Curtis  
*Next Sunday:* Open

**Greeters**

*Today:* Brenda Steele / All & Kathy Decker  
*Next Sunday:* Elaine Garlock / Dale Mossburg

**Nursery**

*Today:* Mary Dykhouse / Marcia Bytwerk  
*Next Sunday:*

**Ushers**

*Today:* Del Kostanko  
*Next Sunday:* John Gentner / Mark Corston

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*Altar flowers this morning are presented by Marcia Bytwerk in loving memory of her husband, Ken, and in-laws Greta & John.*

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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 Marian Klein                      Judy Cross                      Bill Barcroft  
Madeline Brock Hoffman                      Roger Buxton                      Jacob  
A friend                      Unspokens  
Traveling mercies for Bret Curtis                      Safety for Erika Pastrana  
Praise: Patti Cooreman

*Prayers of love and sympathy go out to the  
friends and family of Marian Klein  
who passed away on September 19.*

**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                      Hank Minenna  
1SG Nicholas Ludema                      Phylis Armstrong                      Susan Steele  
PFC Jason Hilley                      Pam Coleman                      Sharon Brink  
Sgt. Nathan Sparrow                      Terena Galaviz                      Ross McDowell  
Brian Rayner                      Travis Tucker and family                      Judi Brandon  
Kim Seese                      Patti Coorman

**Our Special Friends**

Leah Abbott                      Margot Bailey                      Ada Dennie  
Lois Goodemoot                      Joanne McDaniels                      Phil Shetterly  
Ed Reiser

**Our Partners In Ministry**

Our Missionary, Paul Webster, Zambia, Africa  
Robbins United Methodist Church, Eaton Rapids  
Nashville United Methodist Church, Nashville

**CELEBRATIONS**

**Birthdays**

09/29    Ada Dennie  
09/30    Christine Cunningham

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Today's Noisy Offering will be going to the Lakewood Community Christmas Baskets which are distributed from Central Church in December. Your spare change can change a life.*

**EVENTS**

Mon 9/25    A.A. Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom                      7 pm  
Tue 9/26    Pastor One-on-One with District Superintendent                      4 pm  
                    **Education Committee** – Front Room                      7 pm  
Wed 9/27    **Friendship Group** – Fellowship Hall                      9 am–12 pm  
                    Choir Rehearsal– Sanctuary                      7 pm  
Thu 9/28    Respite Care – Lounge                      1:30 pm  
                    Souper Thursday Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall                      4:30-6 pm  
Fri 9/29    *Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787*  
Sun 10/1    Sunday School – classrooms                      9:30-10:15 am  
                    Worship Service – *World Communion Sunday*                      10:30 am  
Mon 10/2    **Nominations/Lay Leadership Committee** – Lounge                      10:00 am  
                    **Administrative Council Meeting** – Fellowship Hall                      7 pm  
                    AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom                      7 pm  
Tue 10/3    **Fresh Food Distribution** – Back parking lot                      2 pm  
                    **Worship Committee** – Lounge                      7 pm  
Wed 10/4    Choir Rehearsal– Sanctuary                      7 pm  
Thu 10/5    *No Respite Care or Souper Thursday Community Dinner*  
Fri 10/6    *Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787*  
                    **Rummage Sale** – Fellowship Hall                      9 am to 8 pm  
Sat 10/7    **Rummage Sale** – Fellowship Hall                      9 am to 12 pm  
Sun 10/8    Sunday School – classrooms                      9:30-10:15 am  
                    Worship Service – *Sanctuary*                      10:30 am

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Our Annual Church Conference is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 17, from 6 to 8:15 pm.** It will be held at Lakewood United Methodist Church. Mark the date on your calendar; *we encourage all of our members to attend.*

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