



EASTER LILY MEMORIALS
April 1, 2018

In Memory of . . .

Ted Sr., Ted Jr., Daughter Kathy

Iva Mosson
Stella Cusack

Ed Leak

Arnold & Audra Cunningham, and Phyllis Miller

Calvin & Stella Smith
Duce & Mable Dykhouse

Olivia Ann Miller, our granddaughter

Bob & Joanne Rider, and Bob & Nellie Nelson

In Honor of . . .

Fran Morris

Leah Abbott
Elaine Van Laanen

In Memory of . . .

Herb Cusack

Presented by . . .

Phylis Armstrong

Shelly Reiser
Shelly Reiser

Bonnie and his children

Cunninghams & Spagnuolos

Ray & Mary Dykhouse
Ray & Mary Dykhouse

Art & Ann Wagner

Dick & Julie Nelson

Presented by . . .

Mike & Beth Johnson

Elaine Garlock
Elaine Garlock

GIFTS TO WORLD HUNGER

Presented by . . .

Shelly Reiser

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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

Easter Sunday **April 1, 2018**

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

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 "Alleluia! Alleluia!" Chancel Choir
Ludwig vanBeethoven

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: On this Easter morning, we praise God who brings life out of death and hope out of despair.

People: Praise God, who has raised Jesus Christ from the dead.

Leader: On this Easter morning we praise God who gathers up the fragments left by human destruction and creates new possibilities.

People: Praise God, who takes us by the hand that we may rise with him.

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

***OPENING HYMN** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Hymnal 302
Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets

OPENING PRAYER (in unison) (be seated)

O Lord, who has in Jesus, given us cause to hope for this life and the next, we have gathered to give you thanks for the gift of the resurrection. As Jesus was raised from the dead, so are we. From the tomb of our despair, from the grave of our regret, from the shame of all our sin, we are able to see grace dawning. So give strength for this new journey, not merely from here to there, but from the boredom of no meaning at all, to the vigor of new life in Christ. Amen.

ANTHEM "Crown Him! Crown Him!" Chancel Choir
Yannerella and Beall

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Children age 4 & under are welcome to leave for the nursery downstairs after the *Children's Moment*.

INVITATION FOR OFFERINGS IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

***DOXOLOGY** (to the tune of *All Creatures of Our God and King--Hymnal 62*)
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
**Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Good Shepherd, you spread a table before us. We offer you our gifts—
a sign of your gracious love and tokens of our grateful hearts.
Nourish us at the feast of the Lamb, that we may proclaim to the world
your triumphant love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Please stand as you are able for Affirmation of Faith and reading of God's Word

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Hymnal 881

***GLORIA PATRI**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 24:1-12 Pew Bible Page NT 84

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

GLORIA PATRI

SERMON "Glorious Morning of Victory" *Pastor Dominic Tommy*

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE, WORDS OF INSTITUTION, PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

COMMUNION SONG "I Shall Rise Again" Video on screen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**You have given yourself to us, Lord. Now we give ourselves for others.
You have raised us with Christ and made us a new people.
As people of the resurrection, we will serve you with joy.
Your glory has filled our hearts. Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN** "He Lives" Hymnal 310

BENEDICTION: Choral Response: (Chorus) "Because He Lives" Hymnal 364
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

POSTLUDE

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

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Your Central UMC CROP Walk team is gearing up to join with our community brothers and sisters in Christ to combat hunger here and abroad. Please consider being part of the team to walk and collect donations. There are Walker Donation Envelopes in Fellowship Hall to support our team of walkers.

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Each month our partnership with Feeding America and Cargill allows us to provide fresh food for over 100 families in need. Volunteers are always welcome; please arrive by 1:30. Our next distribution is this **Tuesday, April 3**, so please let anyone know that may be in need. We'd like to thank everyone for their support of this important mission!

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Prayer Calendars for April are available on Ushers' tables and in Fellowship Hall. Please use these in your daily prayer practice.

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Sign-up Sheets for next quarter have been added to the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Sunday morning Coffee Hour is the center of our weekly connectional life. Our prayer is that families or individuals will sign-up weekly to provide coffee and fellowship moments for members and friends worshipping with us. Altar flowers, coffee hour, and greeters all have openings available. Why not sign up for flowers to celebrate a birthday or honor a loved one? Or volunteer as a greeter to welcome our visitors? Now is the time to reserve the dates that work best for you. Your commitments are appreciated!

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UMW Event: **Circle Meeting**
Monday, April 9, 1:30 pm
 Church Lounge
 Hostess: Betty Shetterly

If you are not a member but have questions or would like to become a member, please see one of the officers for more information.

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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
Von Goodemoot

Audio/Visual

Today: Tony Barcroft / Kay Barcroft
Next Sunday: Chuck Rayner / Kay Barcroft

Coffee Fellowship

Today: Open
Next Sunday: Open

Greeters

Today: Jane Lawther / Elaine Garlock
Next Sunday: Same

Nursery

Today: Kay Goodemoot / Penny Thelen
Next Sunday: Betty Shetterly /

Ushers

Today: Ron and Christine Cunningham
Next Sunday: Same

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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

Bob Durkee
Phil & Janet Welch
Ann Wagner's family

Dan Denman
Joanne McDaniels
Ken Lee

Phylis Armstrong
Carol Ray
Virginia Decker

Continued in Prayer

Sgt. Branden Curtis
Sgt. Lloyd C. Corston
PFC Steven Wakley, Jr
1SG Nicholas Ludema
PFC Jason Hilley
Sgt. Nathan Sparrow
Brian Rayner
Patti Coorman
Peg Cusack

Karl Klynstra
Phylis Armstrong
Dale Patterson
Terena Galaviz
Pam Coleman
Travis Tucker and family
Judi Brandon
Armrose LaBine
Family of Bonnie Haskins

Gary Smith
Ed Hilliker
Hank Minenna
Susan Steele
Sharon Brink
Ross McDowell
Kim Seese
Mary Shoemaker
George Speas

Our Special Friends

Leah Abbott
Lois Goodmoot
Ed Reiser

Margot Bailey
Joanne McDaniels
Peg Faulkner

Ada Dennie
Phil Shetterly

Our Partners In Ministry

Our Missionary, Paul Webster, Zambia, Africa
Grovenburg United Methodist Church, Holt
St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox, Woodbury

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CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

4/2 Christy McDonald
4/3 Julie Klynstra

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**Our Next Blood Drive is:
Monday, April 9, 2018
12:00 to 5:45 pm**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated in worship this morning. (Gluten-free and additive-free elements are available.) All are welcome at the Table.

EVENTS

- Mon 4/2 AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 4/3 **Fresh Food Distribution** – Back parking lot **2 pm**
Worship Committee – Lounge **7 pm**
- Wed 4/4 *No Choir Rehearsal*
- Thu 4/5 Respite Care – Lounge 1:30 pm
Souper Thursday Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall 4:30-6 pm
- Fri 4/6 *Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787*
- Sun 4/8 Sunday School - Classrooms 9:30 am
Worship Service – Sanctuary 10:30 am
- Mon 4/9 **Missions Committee** – Front Room **9 am**
Blood Drive - Fellowship Hall **12:00–5:45 pm**
UMW Circle Meeting – Lounge 1:30 pm
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Wed 4/11 Friendship Group – Fellowship Hall 9 am
Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary 7 pm
- Thu 4/12 Respite Care – Lounge 1:30 pm
Souper Thursday Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall 4:30-6 pm
- Fri 4/13 *Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787*
- Sun 4/15 Sunday School - Classrooms 9:30 am
Worship Service – *Native American Sunday* 10:30 am
- Mon 4/16 **Finance Committee** – Front Room **6 pm**
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Wed 4/17 *Choir Rehearsal* – Sanctuary 7 pm
- Thu 4/19 Respite Care – Lounge 1:30 pm
Souper Thursday Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall 4:30-6 pm
- Fri 4/20 *Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787*

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