

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
Easter Celebration with Holy Service of Communion

Easter Sunday *April 21, 2019*

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.*

*PRAISING THE LORD “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” Hymnal 302
(please be seated)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on 1 Peter 1:3-5)

Alleluia! Christ is risen today.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*OPENING HYMN: “The Day of Resurrection” Hymnal 303
Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets

INVOCATION PRAYER (in unison) (be seated)

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ’s resurrection so that, in the midst of the sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

ANTHEM “Christ is Risen, Sing Hallelujah!” Chancel Choir
by Stan Pethel

SHARING PEACE

The Peace of our Lord Jesus is 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 AND TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

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

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2)*

Glorious God, you graciously reveal the light of your wisdom to humankind.

We rejoice in you. For in Christ, you set aside the veil that separated us from you. Your Spirit is transforming us to become more like Jesus.

We thank you for entrusting the ministries of this church to our care.

Use these offerings to encourage and enlighten our friends and neighbors.

We pray in the name of your Son. Amen.

PRAYER CONCERNS, PRAISES, PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Hymnal 883

GLORIA PATRI

Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of God’s Word

*SCRIPTURE John 20:11-31 Pew Bible (NT pg 108)

Leader: The Word of God to the people of God!

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON On the Road to Calvary: Rev. Dominic Tommy
“We Have Seen the Lord”

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION, Giving of the Bread and the Cup
(Communion will be served to those unable to come forward, stay in your seat.)

COMMUNION SONG “Thine Be The Glory” Hymnal 308

*CLOSING HYMN “He Lives” Hymnal 310

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE: Choral Response: (Chorus 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*

Lakewood Area CROP Walk--Sunday Afternoon, April 28

Next Sunday is the Lakewood Area CROP Hunger Walk. Please consider contributing to one or more of our walkers to help "End Hunger, One Step At A Time"! We walk for one day in support of those who MUST walk every day to provide their most basic needs. There is a table in Fellowship Hall this morning to support our Central team.

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Friendship Group will meet on Friday, April 26th, at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to join in for fellowship, table games, and snacks. If you can't make this one, the next gathering will be on May 10th.

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Graduation Sunday and Teacher Recognition will be celebrated on Sunday, May 19, during worship by our Education Committee. A special coffee fellowship, sponsored by the United Methodist Women, will follow in Fellowship Hall to honor our graduates and our teachers.

If you have a family member who will be graduating this year from high school, college, or with an advanced degree and you would like their name listed in the bulletin, please contact the Church Office.

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Open House announcements can be shared with the congregation by contacting the Church Office.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

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| Trustee's Annual Spring Clean-up Day | Sunday, May 5 |
| UMW Spring Breakfast | Saturday, May 11 |
| Graduates Reception & Teacher Appreciation | Sunday, May 19 |

More details to follow.

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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, Michael Helmic
TODAY'S SERVICE:

Worship Leader
Kay Barcroft

Audio/Visual

Today: Tony Barcroft / Shelly Reiser
Next Sunday: Same

Coffee Fellowship

Today: Closed for construction
Next Sunday: Open

Nursery

Today: Jane Kostanko / Penny Thelen
Next Sunday: Mary Dykhouse / Judy Freidhoff

Greeters and Ushers

Today: Warren Courtney / Mark Corston
Next Sunday: Same

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THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS

Darrell Dykhouse Ada Dennie Randy Shuert
Joyce Shuert Deanne Unspokens
5-year old boy who fell at Mall

Our prayers of love and support go out to Beverly Corston following the death of her sister.

Continued in Prayer

(Your help in updating this list would be appreciated!)

PFC Cole Jackson	Karl Klynstra	Mary Shoemaker
Sgt. Branden Curtis	Phylis Armstrong	Susan Steele
Sgt. Lloyd C. Corston	Dale Patterson	Hank Minenna
1SG Nicholas Ludema	Travis Tucker and family	Kim Seese
PFC Jason Hilley	Pam Coleman	George Speas
Sgt. Nathan Sparrow	Armrose LaBine	Brian Rayner
PFC Steven Wakley, Jr	Brian Harper	Arlene Lee
Judi Brandon	Barbara Wareing	Alan Goodemoot
Marti Lind	Dale Brock	Randy Ames

Our Special Friends

Leah Abbott	Margot Bailey	Lloyd Corston
Ada Dennie	Peg Faulkner	Bette Makley
Joanne McDaniels	Ed Reiser	

Our Partners In Ministry

Missionary Delbert Groves - Kitwe, Zambia
Grovenburg UMC - Holt
Woodgrove Brethren-Christian Parish, Hastings

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

4/21 John Gentner
4/27 Peg Faulkner

Anniversaries

4/21 Bob & Char Kendregan – 35 years
4/21 Bob & Karen Avery – 57 years
4/25 Tom & Shelly Reiser – 27 years

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 4/22 Pastor Dominic on vacation thru May 4.

Wed 4/24 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary 7 pm

Fri 4/26 Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787
Friendship Group – Fellowship Hall 1 pm

Sun 4/28 Sunday School - classrooms 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service – Rev. Duane Walter preaching 10:30 am

Mon 4/29 AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm

Wed 5/1 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary 7 pm

Thur 5/2 **Respite** – Fellowship Hall **1-4 pm**

Fri 5/3 Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787

Sun 5/5 Sunday School - classrooms 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary 10:30 am
Trustees Clean-up Day (see bulletin board) following worship

Mon 5/6 **Staff-Parish Relations Committee** – Lounge **6 pm**
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm

Tues 5/7 **Fresh Food Distribution** – back parking lot **2 pm**
Worship Committee – Front Room **7 pm**

Wed 5/8 Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary 7 pm

Fri 5/10 Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787
Friendship Group – Fellowship Hall 1 pm

Sat 5/11 **UMW Spring Breakfast** – Fellowship Hall (see bulletin board) **9 am**

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**Pastor Dominic will be on vacation from Monday, April 22, until Sunday, May 5.
Rev. Duane Walter will preach for us on April 28.**

**In case of a pastoral emergency, please contact the church office (374-8861),
Marian Durkee (374-7489), or Sharlene Goodemoot, Staff-Parish Relations Chair
(374-8810).**