

**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.***

**FOR SALE:**

***Large chest freezer, in great condition. Can be seen in Fellowship Hall storage room. First come, first served by calling Del Kostanko at 517-285-0569. \$250.***

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**CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Worship Celebration with Service of Communion**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019

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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                      “Sanctuary”                      TFWS 2164  
*(please be seated)*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Ps. 84)

How lovely to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my  
flesh rejoice in the living God.

**The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may  
lay her young; by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my Sovereign  
and my God.**

**Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.**

\*OPENING HYMN:                      “Thine be the Glory”                      Hymnal 308  
*Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets*

INVOCATION PRAYER (in unison) (be seated)

**God of love, you have brought us into community with people of  
every time and place through your Son Jesus Christ. We give you thanks  
and praise for this gift. Open the hearts of all people that we may see  
our differences as a joyful expression of your never-ending creation.  
Instill in us a spirit of acceptance and understanding that we may be  
Christ to our nation and to the world. Amen.**

ANTHEM                      “Every Knee Shall Bow”                      Chancel Choir  
*by Cindy Berry*

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                      “We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”                      TFWS 2031

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Philippians 3:17-4:1*)

**Dear Lord, our Savior, you grant us citizenship in heaven. In you, we find  
forgiveness, peace and strength from our trials. May our minds be set not  
on earthly things, but on your ultimate purposes. Help us to place our hope  
in you. In trust, we dedicate these gifts for your service. Let more people  
come to know your saving grace in Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYER CONCERNS, PRAISES, PASTORAL PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH                      Hymnal 885

GLORIA PATRI                      Hymnal 70  
*Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of God’s Word*

\*SCRIPTURE                      1 Corinthians 11:23-34                      Pew Bible (NT pg 163)  
**Leader: The Word of God to the people of God!**  
**People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON                      Blessed Hope of the Church: Rev. Dominic Tommy  
*“Hope—In Remembrance of the Lord at His Table”*

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                      “The Summons”                      TFWS 2130

\*CLOSING HYMN                      “And Can it Be That I Should Gain” vs 1,2,5                      Hymnal 363

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE:                      “Marching to Zion” (chorus only)                      Hymnal 733  
***We’re marching to Zion,  
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;  
We’re marching upward to Zion,  
The beautiful city of God.***

POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**The Sunday School Bowling Party is today at Buddy's from 5-7 pm.** There will be bowling and pizza. The cost will be \$5 for people who just want to hang out and have some pizza and pop, and \$10 for folks who want to eat and bowl a couple of games. We'd love to have a group of adult bowlers too. Everyone is welcome!

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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 or college and would like their name listed in the bulletin, please contact the Church Office by May 10.*

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

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*I would like to thank the Central Church family for thinking of me on Administrative Professionals Day. I appreciate your cards, gifts and, as always, your ongoing support. ~~Kim Stoepker*

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Prayer calendars and daily devotions for May are available on ushers' tables.

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*Come One, Come All to the annual **Bells 'n Brass Spring Concert** on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 p.m. at Pleasant Valley United Brethren Church (13120 Bell Road, Lake Odessa). Enjoy a Christ-centered celebration of music and the reception which follows. Wheelchair accessible.*

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The Board of Trustees would like to remind EVERYONE to check the building before you leave. We continue to have occasions where doors are left unlocked and lights are left on overnight. We would appreciate your continued diligence to maintain the security of the building.

**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 / Kay Barcroft  
Next Sunday:

**Coffee Fellowship**

Today: Open  
Next Sunday: Mother's Day Lunch --Marilyn Noffke, Ray Wildman & friends

**Nursery**  
Today: Kay Goodemoot / Marcia Bytwerk  
Next Sunday: Leona Rayner / Betty Shetterly

**Greeters**  
Today: Dan & Margie First / Betty Shetterly  
Next Sunday: Same

**Ushers**  
Today: John & Terri Catt  
Next Sunday: Same

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*Altar flowers this morning are presented by  
Brandon & Jackie Spagnuolo  
in celebration of their 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary on April 29th.*

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**THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS**

Family of Leah Abbott                      David Molitor                      Unspokens

*I would like to thank the church and all the people who signed the sympathy note to us for my brother, Denny Goodemoot. He was a great guy and will be missed.  
~~Margot Bailey*

**Continued in Prayer**

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**

Margot Bailey	Virginia Decker	Ada Dennie
Peg Faulkner	Bette Makley	Joanne McDaniels
Ed Reiser	Fran Morris	Dale Mossburg

**Our Partners In Ministry**

Missionary Delbert Groves - Kitwe, Zambia  
Wheatfield UMC - Williamston  
Zion Lutheran Church, Woodland

**CELEBRATIONS**

**Birthdays**

5/6 Brenda Steele  
5/8 Cadance Jackson  
5/10 Barb Klein

**Anniversaries**

5/6 Randy & Judy Freidhoff – 19 years  
5/7 Bob & Marian Durkee – 51 years

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*On May 4, Joanne McDaniels reached a milestone of 90 years.  
Happy Birthday wishes can be sent to 810 Beech Street, Lake Odessa.*

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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**

Today	<b>Trustees Clean-up Day</b>	following coffee hour
	<b>Sunday School Bowling Party - Buddy's at the Beach</b>	<b>5-7 pm</b>
Mon 5/6	<b>Staff-Parish Relations Committee – Lounge</b>	<b>6 pm</b>
	AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm
Tues 5/7	<b>Fresh Food Distribution – back parking lot, volunteers at 1:30</b>	<b>2 pm</b>
	<b>Worship Committee – Front Room</b>	<b>7 pm</b>
Wed 5/8	<i>No choir rehearsal.</i>	
Fri 5/10	<i>Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787</i>	
	<b>Friendship Group – Fellowship Hall</b>	<b><u>(note change in time)</u> 12 pm</b>
Sat 5/11	<b>Women's Spring Breakfast – Fellowship Hall</b>	<b>9 am</b>
	<i>Guests are welcome; reservations to Karen Avery; \$6 donation at the door.</i>	
Sun 5/12	Sunday School - classrooms	9:30 am
	Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary	10:30 am
	<i>Mother's Day Lunch – please sign up in Fellowship Hall</i>	
Mon 5/13	AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm
Tues 5/14	<b>Fellowship &amp; Care Committee – Front Room</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
Thur 5/16	<b>Respite – Fellowship Hall</b>	<b>1-4 pm</b>
Fri 5/17	<i>Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787</i>	
Sun 5/19	Sunday School – final class for this school year	9:30 am
	Sunday Worship Service – Teacher & Graduate Recognition	10:30 am
	<b>Teacher and Graduate Reception sponsored by UMW - following worship</b>	
Mon 5/20	<b>Finance Committee Meeting – Front Room</b>	<b>6 pm</b>
	AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom	7 pm

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***Beginning Sunday, May 26 (Memorial Day weekend), and continuing through Sunday, September 1 (Labor Day weekend), Sunday Worship Service time will change to 9:30 a.m. and there wi***

***ll be no more Sunday School classes until fall.***

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