

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Celebration with Service of Communion

4th Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 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 “Holy, Holy” TFWS 2039
(please be seated)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 105:1-2; Romans 5:5; Revelation 4:8)
The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us; rejoice in His presence in our lives.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvelous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was and is and is to come!

*OPENING HYMN: “To God be the Glory” Hymnal 98
Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets

INVOCATION PRAYER (in unison) (be seated) (Psalm 103:1-4; Revelation 5:12)

Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

BAPTISM AND MEMBERSHIP RECEPTION

Mark McCrumb

INVITATION FOR OFFERING AND TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY “Blessed to be a Blessing” Marilyn Noffke

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

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Blessed are you, God of all creation;
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

PRAYER CONCERNS, PRAISES, PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN “America” (My Country, ‘Tis of Thee) Hymnal 697

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (1 Timothy 1:5-6; 1:15; 3:16) Hymnal 889

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

*SCRIPTURE 2 Timothy 2:1-4 Pew Bible (NT) pg 196

**Leader: The Word of God to the people of God!
People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “America—The Evolving Nation” Rev. Dominic Tommy

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 HYMN “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” Hymnal 359

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “The Battle Hymn of the Republic” Hymnal 717

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” (refrain only)
***Just a closer walk with thee
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea
Daily walking close to thee
Let it be, dear lord, let it be***

**Please stand as you are able.*

The 64th Annual Chicken BBQ is this Friday, July 12! The Board of Trustees is asking for your help to prepare and donate 30 dozen cookies and/or brownies. A sign-up sheet is located in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are available from any of your Trustees: *Del Kostanko, Mark Corston, Dawn or Kim Deardorff, Dodie Denman, Jane Everett, Char Kendregan, Mike McCartney, or Ray McDaniels.* Tickets also available through the Lake Odessa Pharmacy and the Church Office.

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Prayer calendars and daily devotionals for July are now available on ushers' tables.

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Sign-up sheets for the rest of the calendar year are now posted on the bulletin board with MANY openings for coffee hour, altar flowers, and greeters. Now is the time to find your important dates and reserve them. *Committee Chairs are encouraged to fill in those dates that events are planned to avoid conflicts.* If you would be interested in being an usher, please see Tom Reiser.



Invitation to a Summer Bible Study
Led by Pastor Dominic Tommy
Tuesdays, July 9 through July 30
10:00 to 11:30 AM
Lower Level Classroom
Title: Jesus—Compassionate Healer

Outline:

- Introduction: Jesus, The Compassionate Healer
1. Jesus—Weeps our Tears (John 11:1-37)
 2. Jesus—Binds our Wounds (Mark 5:21-43)
 3. Jesus—Carries our Burden (Luke 11:46 & Matthew 9:35-38)
 4. Jesus—Breaks Our Chains (Luke 13:10-17)
 5. Jesus—Covers Our Shame (John 8:1-11)
 6. Jesus Restores Our Community (John 17:6-26)

Every session begins with gathering and a prayer moment, reflection on the lesson, conversations to connect our stories, and prayer time for healing—either for yourself, friends or families.

Refreshments provided. No book to buy, but you will receive notes for every class session. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall. **Join us and bring a friend!**

MINISTER: Every Member of This Church
PASTOR: Rev. Dominic Tommy
SECRETARY: Kim Stoepker
ORGANIST: Marilyn Noffke
CUSTODIANS: Mike McCartney, Michael Helmic
TODAY'S SERVICE:

Worship Leader
Kay Barcroft

Audio/Visual

Today: Tony Barcroft/ Kay Barcroft
Next Sunday: Same

Coffee Fellowship

Today: Open
Next Sunday: Sunday School Ice Cream Social

Nursery

Today: Comfort Tommy / Terri Catt
Next Sunday: Lori McNeill / Kay Goodemoot

Greeters

Today: Delos Johnson / Dick & Vergie Winkler
Next Sunday: Same

Ushers

Today: Ray Dykhouse / Tom Reiser
Next Sunday: Tom Reiser

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THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS

Ada and Harold Dennie

Eunice Goodemoot

Ruth Ford

Continued in Prayer

PFC Cole Jackson
Sgt. Branden Curtis
Sgt. Lloyd C. Corston
1SG Nicholas Ludema
PFC Jason Hilley
Sgt. Nathan Sparrow
PFC Steven Wakley, Jr
MSgt Kevin Durkee
Alan Goodemoot
Randy Ames

Karl Klynstra
Phylis Armstrong
Dale Patterson
Travis Tucker and family
Pam Coleman
Armrose LaBine
Brian Harper
Judi Brandon
Marti Lind
Sue Galkins

Mary Shoemaker
Susan Steele
Hank Minenna
Kim Seese
George Speas
Brian Rayner
Arlene Lee
Barbara Wareing
Dale Brock
Judy Burruel

Our Special Friends

Margot Bailey
Peg Faulkner
Ed Reiser
Lloyd & Bev Corston

Virginia Decker
Bette Makley
Fran Morris
Alan Goodemoot

Ada Dennie
Joanne McDaniels
Dale Mossburg

Our Partners In Ministry

Missionary Delbert Groves - Kitwe, Zambia
Lansing First UMC, Lansing
Lakewood United Methodist Church, Lake Odessa

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

7/11 Virginia Rayner
Von Goodemoot

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Dear Central United Methodist Church Friends,

We sincerely want to thank you for the use of your church, the touching table decorations, and the perfect lunch. Also we'd like to thank the many people that helped to make our Celebration of Life for my mother so wonderful, including Pastor Dominic, Kay and Tony, Marilyn Noffke, and everyone who helped make and serve the lunch. It was so special that between the three of us, we knew so many of you, or others in your family from long ago.

~~The family of Gwendolyn Philipp Kreider

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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 7/8 **UMW Officers Meeting** – Location changed to the L.O. Bakery **9 am**
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 7/9 **Bible Study** – Lounge **10 am**
Fellowship & Care Committee – Front Room **6:30 pm**
- Thur 7/11 **BBQ Preparation** – Fellowship Hall/Kitchen
- Fri 7/12 *Office closed – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787*
No Friendship Group today
Chicken BBQ – Fellowship Hall/Kitchen **5-7 pm**
- Sun 7/14 Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary **9:30 am**
Sunday School Ice Cream Social – following worship service
- Mon 7/15 **Construction at Front Entrance---sidewalk**
Finance Committee – Front Room **6 pm**
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 7/16 **Bible Study** – Lounge **10 am**
Worship Committee – Front Room **7 pm**
- Thur 7/18 **Respite Group** – Fellowship Hall **1-4 pm**
- 7/19 - 7/28** **Office closed** – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787
- Sun 7/21 Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary **9:30 am**
- Mon 7/22 **Kitchen Inspection** **11:00 am**
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 7/23 **Bible Study** – Lounge **10 am**
- Thur 7/25 **Respite Group** – Fellowship Hall **1-4 pm**
- Fri 7/26 **Friendship Group** – Fellowship Hall **12-3 pm**

Kim Stoepker, church secretary, will be on vacation and out of the office from Friday, July 19, thru Sunday, July 28.

If you will be needing assistance from the Church Office, please contact Kim ahead of time. Thank you!

Central Church Schedule of Preaching (July & August)

Beginning the second week of July through August, we will preach a series of messages on the theme: **“Angels—Mysterious Presence of God’s Messengers.”** This broad subject on the origins, personalities, and ministries of Angels among us and their services to the Almighty God will be shared in the series.

If you ever wonder about Angels, their messages, errands for God, and daily ministries to human beings (to you)—then you will want to attend these services.

Also, on **July 21 and August 11 during worship services**, we’ll be featuring **“A Summer Hymn Singing Moment.”** You may have a chance to sing one of your favorite songs or hymns. Mark your calendar and plan to worship with us.

<i>DATE & SPECIAL EVENTS</i>	<i>MESSAGE & TEXT</i>
<i>July 7 4th Sunday After Pentecost *Holy Communion Served</i>	<i>“America—the Evolving Nation” (Part II) Text (1 Timothy 2:1-4)</i>
<i>July 14 5th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>“Angels—Their Creation and Characteristics” Text: (Psalm 104.1-4)</i>
<i>July 21 6th Sunday after Pentecost Summer Hymn Singing (I)</i>	<i>“Angels—their Relationship to God” Text: (Psalm 148:1-14)</i>
<i>July 28 7th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>“Angels—Our Unseen Secret Agents” (Part I) Text: (Psalm 91:1-12)</i>

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<i>August 4 8th Sunday after Pentecost **Holy Communion</i>	<i>“Angels—Our Unseen Secret Agents” (Part II) Text. (Acts 12:6-19)</i>
<i>August 11 9th Sunday after Pentecost “Summer Hymn Singing (II)”</i>	<i>“Angels—their Roles in Human’s Death” Text: (Revelation 14:6-13)</i>
<i>August 18 10th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>“The Ministries of Angels to Jesus” Text: (I Peter 1:10-12; I Timothy 3:16)</i>
<i>August 25 11th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<i>“Angels—Rejoice in Our Salvation” Text: (Luke 15:10; I Peter 1:12)</i>

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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