

**CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

***Worship Celebration with Service of Communion***

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2019

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**GATHERING**

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

PRELUDE "Cornerstone" Christine Cunningham/  
"The Church's One Foundation" Marilyn Noffke

**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 "This is the Day" Hymnal 657  
*(please be seated)*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.  
**The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.**

\*OPENING HYMN: "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" Hymnal 126  
*Ushers will collect Prayer Request Sheets*

INVOCATION PRAYER (in unison) (be seated) (Psalm 103:1-4; Revelation 5:12)  
**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**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 "Give Thanks" Christine Cunningham/  
Marilyn Noffke

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow" Hymnal 95

**UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Faithful God, we come before You as a community of faith at Central Church. We rejoice for the gifts of life: sustenance and salvation, life and**

love, forgiveness and freedom. In gratitude, we respond to You as the Saints of Old did with dancing, and thanksgiving, tithes, and offerings.

Lord, embrace the choice gifts we offer now and – as You have done throughout the ages – shower your blessings upon us now and always. In Jesus' name we pray, 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 Acts 12:6-19 Pew Bible (NT) pg 125

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

SERMON Angels -Mysterious Messengers of God: Rev. Dominic Tommy  
*"Angels—Our Unseen Secret Agents"*

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.)*

"How Beautiful" Marilyn Noffke  
\*COMMUNION HYMN "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" Hymnal 301

**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 "I Know Whom I Have Believed" vs 1,2,4 Hymnal 714

**\*BENEDICTION**

CHORAL RESPONSE: "Bind Us Together" TFWS 2226

***Bind us Together, Lord, Bind us together  
With cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together,  
Bind us together with love.***

***There is only one God,  
There is only one King;  
There is only one Body,  
That is why we sing:***

**POSTLUDE**

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**Central Church Schedule of Preaching (August)**

Continuing 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. Also, on **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 &amp; SPECIAL EVENTS</i>	<i>MESSAGE &amp; TEXT</i>
<b>August 4 **Holy Communion</b> <i>8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<b>“Angels—Our Unseen Secret Agents” (Part II)</b> <i>Text: (Acts 12:6-19)</i>
<b>August 11 “Summer Hymn Sing (II)”</b> <i>9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<b>“Angels—their Roles in Human’s Death”</b> <i>Text: (Revelation 14:6-13)</i>
<b>August 18 “Choir Call Down”</b> <i>10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<b>“The Ministries of Angels to Jesus”</b> <i>Text: (I Peter 1:10-12; I Timothy 3:16)</i>
<b>August 25</b> <i>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	<b>“Angels—Rejoice in Our Salvation”</b> <i>Text: (Luke 15:10; I Peter 1:12)</i>



- ❖ UMW Salad Luncheon – Monday, August 12
- ❖ Blood Drive – Monday, August 19
- ❖ Staff-Parish & D.S. Meeting – Monday, September 16
- ❖ UMW Sunday, September 22
- ❖ Lakewood Area Women’s Conference – September 28
- ❖ Rummage and Bake Sale – Thursday thru Saturday, October 3, 4 & 5
- ❖ Annual Church Conference – Tuesday, November 5

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**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**  
Von Goodemoot

**Audio/Visual**

*Today:* / Shelly Reiser  
*Next Sunday:* / Shelly Reiser

**Coffee Fellowship**

*Today:* Open  
*Next Sunday:* Sunday School Bake Sale fundraiser

**Nursery**

*Today:* Julie Nelson / Judy Freidhoff  
*Next Sunday:* Char Kendregan / Betty Shetterly

**Greeters**

*Today:* Helen Good / Jane Everett  
*Next Sunday:* Same

**Ushers**

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

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*Altar flowers this morning are presented by Marcia Bytwerk  
in loving memory of Mom and Dad,  
Betty and Bob Logan.*

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**THIS WEEK'S PRAYER CONCERNS**

Jackie  
Don Freeman  
Safe travel for Randy Shuert

Mark Johnson  
Mark McCrumb

Ami  
Unspokens

**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  
Jackie

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

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 Sycamore Creek, Lansing  
Pleasant Valley United Brethren in Christ Church, Lake Odessa

**CELEBRATIONS**

**Birthdays**

08/04 Bob Avery  
08/06 Dave Faulkner  
08/08 Comfort Tommy  
08/10 Tim Girvin

**Anniversaries**

8/10 – Ken & Brenda Steele – 44 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.*

*Next Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, the Education Committee will be sponsoring a Bake Sale to help raise funds for the student outing to Boulder Ridge Zoo on Friday, August 16. Please let Jane Kostanko know if you'd like to come along with a grandchild or little one.*

**EVENTS**

- Mon 8/5 AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 8/6 **Fresh Food Truck** – back parking lot; volunteers at 1:30 **2 pm**
- Fri 8/9 **Friendship Group** – Fellowship Hall **12-3 pm**  
**Office closed** – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787
- Sun 8/11 Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary 9:30 am  
Sunday School Bake Sale – Fellowship Hall
- Mon 8/12 **UMW Salad Luncheon** – Fellowship Hall **12 pm**  
**Education Committee** – Front Room **7 pm**  
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 8/13 **Staff-Parish Relations** – Lounge **7 pm**
- Thur 8/15 **Respite Group** – Fellowship Hall **1-4 pm**
- Fri 8/16 **Student/Teacher Outing to Boulder Ridge Zoo**  
**Office closed** – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787
- Sun 8/18 Sunday Worship Service – Sanctuary 9:30 am  
Rental – Fellowship Hall 1 pm
- Mon 8/19 **Missions Committee** – Front Room **9 am**  
**Red Cross Blood Drive** – Fellowship Hall **12-5:45 pm**  
**Finance Committee** – Front Room **6 pm**  
AA Open Meeting – Sr. High Classroom 7 pm
- Tues 8/20 **Staff-Parish Relations** – Lounge **7 pm**
- Fri 8/23 **Friendship Group** – Fellowship Hall **12-3 pm**  
**Office closed** – For an emergency, Pastor can be reached at 269-941-3787
- Sun 8/25 Sunday Worship Service – Communion **9:30 am**

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*The First Congregational Church of Lake Odessa has invited us to come and witness the installation of their new pastor, Marilyn Danielson, next Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00. A service and meal will follow after the business meeting.*

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Central United Methodist Church  
United Methodist Women  
Lake Odessa

# Salad Luncheon



Monday, August 12—Noon

Presentation by Julie Slate

“The Ukulele Lady”

Christian music and speaker

All women are invited – there is no charge.

Please call for reservations by August 5:

Kathy Decker (269-945-4880) or

Terri Catt (480-231-7785)



## 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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