

CENTRAL

United Church of Christ
GROW FAITH • SHARE LOVE • REACH OUT



January 13, 2019
First Sunday after Epiphany
10:00 a.m.

The Mission of
Central United Church of Christ is...
to be a Christ-centered community
of faithful disciples,
who are called
to GROW IN FAITH, and
to SHARE GOD'S LOVE
as we REACH OUT
to each other,
to our community
and to our world.

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THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN “As With Gladness Men of Old” #123

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

God is a God of power and strength!

God has created each of us with tender care.

God is a God of majesty and awe!

God walks with each of us every step of the way.

God is a God of glory and wonder!

God loves each of us with tenderness and passion.

God calls us each by name.

God calls each of us to unite in worship together!

***CHORAL INTROIT**

***GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

Holy God of glory and majesty, you have called us by name. We pray in this moment for the courage and the strength to answer your call. Open our hearts that we may experience again the renewing power of rebirth in the Holy Spirit. Inspire us in this time of worship, that we may claim our own identity as your beloved children. We pray in the name of our LORD, Jesus Christ. Amen.

***PRAISE HYMN** “Light of the World, We Hail Thee” #124

***PASSING THE PEACE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

*THE GLORIA PATRI (sung in unison)

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 43:1-7

Luke 15:11-39

CHORAL RESPONSE

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Praise the Lord"

- Handel

Praise the Lord. Let songs of joy break forth,
let songs of joy break forth. Sing alleluia.
Praise His name forevermore. Praise the Lord.
Let songs of joy break forth, let songs of joy break forth.
Sing alleluia. Praise His name forevermore.

Shout, sing, and dance. Come dance and celebrate.
Rejoice; let all within us praise His name.
Shout, sing and dance and celebrate.
Come dance and celebrate. Sing alleluia.
Praise His name forevermore.
Shout, sing, let songs of joy break forth.

Praise the Lord, O praise Him.
Let songs of joy break forth.
Sing alleluia, alleluia.
Praise His name forevermore.
Shout, sing, let songs of joy break forth.
Sing for joy. Sing for joy. Rejoice.
O praise His name forevermore.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

***THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
One holy and universal Christian Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting.

Amen.

(Adapted from the *Book of Common Prayer, 1662*)

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising" - Walcha

*THE DOXOLOGY (sung in unison)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*DEDICATION PRAYER (in unison)

**Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us
to be your friends,
and to know your will in the world.**

**Therefore, we pray in Jesus' name
that these tithes and offerings
spread your love near and far. Amen.**

AND GO FORTH IN LOVE

***CLOSING HYMN** "O God Above the Drifting Years" #377

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

***POSTLUDE** "Jubilate Deo Omnis Terra" - Benoit

Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

January 13 – 20

TODAY:	Adult Sunday School	8:30AM
	Coffee Hour	9:00AM
	Children's Sunday School	9:30AM
	Worship	10:00AM
MON:	Scouts	7:00PM
TUES:	Elenor Circle	1:00PM
WED:	Quilting	9:00AM
	Meals On Wheels	10:00AM
	Young Youth	3:45PM
	Bell Choir	6:15PM
	Sr. Choir	7:00PM
THURS:	Finance Ministry	5:30PM
	Faith Formation Ministry	5:30PM
	Church Council	7:00PM
SAT:	All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast	6:30AM – 11:30AM
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Adult Sunday School	8:30AM
	Coffee Hour	9:00AM
	Children's Sunday School	9:30AM
	Worship	10:00AM

Attendance Last Sunday: 86

Altar flowers are in loving memory of my parents from Linda Heller.

Bulletins are in loving memory of Bryan Forbis by Jean and Tony Feather.

Please pray for our members, family and friends: Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Kathryn Waite, Jacquie Howser, Tonya Berhorst, Beckett Michael Karr (parents Geoff and Lauren Karr), Jimmy Fairchild, Whitley Pryor Bruemmer

Pastoral Care – Rev. Stoneburner has agreed to fill-in for emergency pastoral care. If you have a need for pastoral care, please call the church office at 635-1041, and they will be in contact with Rev. Stoneburner.

Our thanks and appreciation to Rev. Dr. Judith Scott for leading us in worship this morning and delivering the sermon message.

90+ Birthdays:

Jane Stumpe (1/17)

1110 Major Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Bertie Spalding (1/18)

1809 Devonshire Circle, #A
Holts Summit, MO 65043

Ruth Popp (1/25)

3122 Rock Ridge Road
Jefferson City, MO 65109

The 2019 offering boxes (envelopes) are available for you to pick-up in the narthex. Please discard any 2018 or previous year's envelopes as the system reassigns different numbers each year.

Copies of the Safe Church Policy are available in the Narthex. Please pick one up if you do not have a copy. The policy will be discussed and voted on at the annual meeting in January.

The Annual Meeting of the Central United Church of Christ congregation will take place Sunday, January 27. Immediately after church, there will be a brunch served in the gymnasium and the annual meeting will follow the brunch. Updates on several important items will be discussed. Two specific things will be the discussion and possible approval of the Safe Church Policy that was passed out at the congregational meeting in November, and we will discuss the Church Profile that has been developed and will be used for the Search and Call of our next pastor. Copies of the Safe Church Policy were provided at the previous meeting. The Church Profile is planned to be available on Sunday, January 20 for review prior to the Annual Meeting if you would like. Hope to see everyone at the Annual Meeting.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 19, 2019 for an all-you-can-eat breakfast put on by the Brotherhood. The community will be invited as well. Menu includes eggs, pancakes, French toast, sausage, bacon, and juice. (See flyer at back of bulletin.) Don't miss out on a wonderful breakfast and fellowship!

Reminder that "Tower" articles for the February issue are due January 15. Please be sure to email your articles to the church office at office@centralucc.com by Tuesday, January 15.

The women of Grace Evangelical Free Church have invited the women of Central Church to join them in a "Paint Night." An art teacher will be there for the program and will help us discover

our art talents. The event takes place on Friday, **January 25**, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$12 to cover supplies. Snacks will be provided. Please let Ruth Long know by January 21st if you plan to attend, so that Grace Evangelical can plan accordingly.

To join our Remind group to receive texts or email for any Central UCC cancellations due to weather, or for all church notifications.... Please send a text with @centralucc to 81010, or join by email by sending a blank email to @centralucc@mail.remind.com.

It's time to sign-up for monthly 2019 Salvation Army Meals. Volunteers are needed for months July through December. If you would like to volunteer, contact Susan Poettgen, Mission and Outreach Ministry chair, at susan.poettgen@gmail.com or 573-298-4515.

If you are helping prepare/serve Salvation Army Meals or are considering helping, please pick-up a pamphlet in the narthex that will provide you with some ideas, and also explain how the process works.

Volunteers are still needed to prepare and clean-up the communion elements on the 2019 dates listed below. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Mary Ann Wippermann at 573-636-3685 or mlwipper@embarqmail.com.

March 3

March 6 (Ash Wednesday)

April 7

April 18 (Maundy Thursday)

April 21 (Easter with only one service at 9 a.m.)

May 5

June 2

June 9 (Pentecost and possibly Confirmation Sunday for Central)

July 7

A couple of Sundays just opened up for altar flowers and bulletins. Please contact the office if interested:

Altar Flowers: *April 7*

Bulletins: *September 15*

Mission and Outreach Ministry will be collecting items for the Hygiene Kits (CWS) during January. Please place your items in our box in the narthex. Donated items must be exactly as shown below:

1 hand towel

1 nail clipper (remove packaging)

10 standard size Band-Aids

1 wide tooth comb (remove packaging)

1 bar of soap (bath size in package)

1 toothbrush (in original package)

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Bonanza

Saturday, Jan. 19

6:30 – 11:30 A.M.



Scrambled Eggs

French Toast

Pancakes

Biscuits & Gravy

Bacon

Sausage

Coffee

Juice

\$10 for adults, \$6 for children ages 5 to 9;
children under 5 eat free. No reservations needed.

Central United Church of Christ (gymnasium)
118 W. Ashley, Jefferson City, MO

Sponsored by Central UCC Brotherhood
Questions?: Contact Harry Kujath - kahunahak@aol.com

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Your presence and participation are an important part of shaping this experience of worship for all of us. Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here!

If you are a guest here today, we would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community. If you have any questions about joining us in ministry, please contact the Pastor.

Large Print Bulletins: Large print editions of the worship bulletin are available in the Narthex and by the elevator.

Friendship Register: Please sign the Friendship Register (the blue book at the end of the pew) when it is passed around so that we have a record of your visit.

Ministers	Every Member
Director of Music	Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director.....	Rene Miserez
Organist.....	Shirley Klein



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