

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



March 1, 2020
First Sunday in Lent
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.

All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI.

* indicates please stand, as you are able

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Again, O Lord and Saviour” #140

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

Empowered are those whose transgressions are forgiven.

Empowered are those who receive God’s mercy.

Rejoice and be glad, you upright in heart.

Shout for joy, you people of God.

Let us worship the one who gives us strength to resist temptation in the wilderness of our lives.

CHOIR INTROIT

***GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

Loving God, help us overcome the temptations we face each and every day. Save us from the time of trial and raise us to newness of life, through the gift of your Spirit and the love of your son. Amen.

PRAISE HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” #476

PASSING THE PEACE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***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.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:1-11

Romans 5:12-19

CHOIR RESPONSE

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Jesus, Messiah"* - arr. Dennis Allen (Words & Music by Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves, Chris Tomlin)

He became sin, who knew no sin,
That we might become His righteousness.
He humbled Himself, and carried the cross.
Love so amazing! Love so amazing!
Jesus Messiah, name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven;
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

His body, the bread, His blood, the wine,
Broken and poured out all for love.
The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn.
Love so amazing! Love so amazing!
Jesus, Messiah, name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven;
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.
All our hope is in You; all our hope is in You.
All the glory to You, God, the Light of the world!
Jesus, Messiah, name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven;
Jesus, Messiah.

***THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost and of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; from thence he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. In one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

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.

CHOIR RESPONSE

OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *“Jesus, Lead Thou On”* – Bach

***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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Today we are observing pew communion. All who find themselves in communion with God or in need of communion with God are invited to share in the bread and cup of the Lord’s Table. We observe open communion in the United Church of Christ, which means that **all** are welcome to share in this sacrament. When the bread is served, please take a piece and hold it until all are served. We will eat the bread together. The glasses of wine will then be served. The innermost circle of glasses contains grape juice for those who would prefer it. Please take a glass,*

hold it until all are served. We will drink together. If you choose not to partake of the elements of bread and wine, you may celebrate communion with God and others through silent prayer and meditation.

INVITATION AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS

SHARING COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Have Mercy Lord, My Sin Forgive” - Bach

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

AND GO FORTH IN LOVE

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days” #141

***BENEDICTION**

CHOIR RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *“He Who Will Suffer God to Guide Him”* – Bach

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

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

March 1 – March 8

TODAY:	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Children's Sunday School	10:15am
MON:	Scouts	7:00pm
TUES:	Brotherhood	5:30pm
WED:	Quilting	9:00am
	Dominos/Fellowship	1:00pm
	Young Youth	3:00pm
	Bell Choir	6:30pm
	Sr. Adult Choir	7:00pm
THURS:	Adult Bible Study	10:00am
NEXT SUNDAY:	(Daylight Saving Time Begins)	
	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am

Attendance last Sunday: (Count unavailable.)

Ash Wednesday Service: 51

Altar flowers are in loving memory of Judy Rizner from the family.

Bulletins are in memory of Elmer and Dorothy Mutert from Gary, Joyce, and family.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Annie Francis (Marcia Rainey's mother) who passed away February 26, 2020. Services were held March 1, 2020.

Please pray for our members, family and friends: Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Jacquie Howser, Beckett Michael Karr (parents Geoff and Lauren Karr), Jimmy Fairchild, Melissa Parscal, Jenny Alpers, Larry Rizner, Lee Thompson, Finn Price, August Begemann, Pat Brauner, Hank Gozia, Michelle Heymeyer, Abel Green, Jerry Watson, Lonnie Schneider, George Seifert, Doug Blaha, Tommy Thompson, Norma Klemme, Eleanor Diersing, Allen Schmutzler, Janet Miller, Stanley Eikermann, Christy Schmutzler, Gladys Gladden, Family of Annie Francis

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Adult Bible Study with Rev. Scott meets every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the library area. The class is open to all!

90+ Birthdays this month:

Carrie Davis (3/07)
211 Indian Meadow Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65101

To all Central Church women: The Women's Fellowship Lenten Quiet Hour will be held on March 10, beginning at 12:00 noon. The Women's Fellowship officers and the Elenor Circle will be hosting and providing a light salad luncheon. Becky Buchholz will lead our time of meditation. We will also send an invitation to the ladies at Brazito UCC. Please do plan to come!

Festival of Sharing Kit – The Mission and Outreach Ministry will be collecting items for the CWS Hygiene Kits during the month

of March. These kits are used for people who have to go to shelters for natural disasters. It would mean a lot to receive one of these kits if evacuated or not able to return home for some reason, as well as not being able to get to a store to purchase hygiene supplies.

CWS Hygiene Kit

- 1 hand towel
- 1 washcloth
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 bar of soap - bath size in package
- 1 wide tooth comb
- 1 nail clipper
- 10 standard size Band-Aids

Coffee Hour – Barb and Allen Schmutzler have been preparing Coffee Hour for many years. We would like to help them, so if you would be willing to fill-in for a month, please contact Faye Rinaldi at 573-619-3339 or email fayrinaldif@yahoo.com. The following months are available: May, July, August, September, October, and December. If you can't take a whole month, let Faye know which weeks you would be willing to help out.

Faith Formation Ministry is looking for young adults interested in organizing a fellowship group. They will meet on a scheduled basis as set by the group, and plan their own activities. Please contact Jeanie Woodward, Faith Formation Ministry Chair, at 573-893-2429 or 573-680-2974 for more information.

Monthly Dinners – It's time to choose which month you would like to host the monthly dinner at church. If your ministry or group needs to raise some funds, this is a great way to do that. Months available are: June, July, and August. Please let Faye Rinaldi know which month you would like to host a dinner.

Faye's contact information: 573-619-3339 or email fayerinaldif@yahoo.com.

Bulletin openings for 2020 – Please contact the church office if you would like one or more of the following Sundays:

May 31, August 30, November 29

Jefferson City Scouts will be at local grocery stores collecting food donated by shoppers for the Samaritan Center and other area food pantries on Friday, March 6 from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 7 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Participating stores are Gerbes (Super Store and West), HyVee, Moser's, Sam's Club, Sav-A-Lot, Schnucks, Schulte's, Walmart (East and Stadium). Thank you for your support!



Breakfast Bonanza
All-You-Can-Eat
Made-from-Scratch Biscuits
Scrambled Eggs Pancakes Gravy
Sausage Bacon Coffee/Milk/Juice
\$10 adults; \$5 kids 5-9; kids under 5 free

Second Saturdays
Jan. 11 Feb. 8 Mar. 14
7:00 – 11:30am

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CONGREGATIONAL LIFE SURVEY

Congregational Life is looking into planning some activities for the church family. We would like to have your input on what you would like to do. Complete the survey below and drop it in the offering plate. Check all activities/ideas you would be interested in and add anything else. If you have questions, please contact Faye Rinaldi at 573-619-3339 or fayrinaldif@yahoo.com. Here is a list of what has been suggested so far:

_____ Karaoke

_____ Trivia

_____ Dinner and a Movie

_____ Camp-out at Sander's Farm

_____ Main Street Music Hall

_____ Boardgame Night

_____ Card Games – Pinochle, Pitch, Hearts, Canasta

_____ Other: _____

Name:

Contact Information:

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
Stated Supply Minister.....	Rev. Dr. Judith Scott
Director of Music	Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director.....	Rene Miserez
Organist.....	Shirley Klein



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