

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



November 25, 2018
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
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 “Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart” #7

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

Christ came to be our King.

We have come to be Christ’s people.

The King of kings calls us to follow him.

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***CHORAL INTROIT**

***GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

Mighty Sovereign, we approach your throne to behold your glory. Open our eyes, that we might witness your Son coming with the clouds to rule with justice and righteousness. Open our hearts, that we may rejoice in the surety of your covenant. Amen.

***PRAISE HYMN** “Rise Up, O Men of God” #389

***PASSING THE PEACE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

2 Samuel 23:1-7

Revelation 1:4b-8

CHORAL RESPONSE

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Jesus Messiah”

- Carson/Cash

He became sin, who knew no sin,
that we might become His righteousness.
He humbled Himself, and carried the cross.
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, the blood the wine,
broken and poured out all for love.
The whole earth trembled,

and the veil was torn.
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 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, Lord of all.
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.
The Lord of all!

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 "At The Name of Jesus" - Burkhardt

*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**

“Come, Let Us Join With Faithful Souls” #390

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

***POSTLUDE** “Praise the Almighty” - Burkhardt

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

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES
November 25 – December 2

TODAY:	Hanging of the Greens	
	Adult Sunday School	8:30AM
	Coffee Hour	9:00AM
	Worship	10:00AM
	Children's Sunday School	10:15AM
	Brunch	11:00AM
	Decorate for Advent/Fellowship & Singing	12:00PM
MON:	W.I.G.S. Circle	1:00PM
	Scouts	7:00PM
WED:	Quilting	9:00AM
	Young Youth After School Activities	3:45PM
	Bell Choir	6:15PM
	Senior Choir	7:00PM
NEXT SUNDAY:	1 st Sunday of Advent	
	Adult Sunday School	8:30AM
	Coffee Hour	9:00AM
	Worship	10:00AM
	Children's Sunday School	10:15AM

Attendance Last Sunday: 90

Altar flowers are in honor of Trevor and Benjamin Maness from Freda Maness.

Bulletins are in memory of Monroe and Lorraine Schmutzler, Bruce and Marian Nichols, and Anna Lee York from the family.

Please pray for our members, family and friends: Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Kathryn Waite, Audrey Hoelscher

Bruemmer, Jacquie Howser, Tonya Berhorst, Beckett Michael Karr (parents Geoff and Lauren Karr), Jimmy Fairchild

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.

Consider joining the CUCC Choir! We rehearse on Wednesdays, 7:00PM–8:30PM in the choir room. Our fellowship is a wonderful way to strengthen the CUCC community!

90+ Birthdays:

Mabel Thompson (11/22)
% Tom and Judy Thompson
6901 Bates Road
Jefferson City, MO 65109

The Christmas Lights Tour will take place on December 13, at 5:30PM. The Trolley Company of Jefferson City will provide the transportation. Cost is \$13 per person. Please meet by the gym doors a little before 5:30 so we will be ready to load the trolley. Currently we have 5 spots left on the trolley. The tour goes to Binder Park for the light display and around to the best home displays in town. It is a 2-hour tour. Join the Mission and Outreach Ministry for cookies and hot chocolate after the tour. If interested or if you have questions, please contact Susan Poettgen by calling 573-298-4515 or emailing her at susan.poettgen@gmail.com.

Central will again be selling poinsettias in 6" pots from Trenklein Greenhouses which you can purchase in memory or in honor of someone. *Cost is \$10 per poinsettia; checks should be made payable to Central UCC with "Poinsettia" in the memo line.* **The completed form** (towards the back of the bulletin) **along with your payment must be turned in to the church office no later than December 3.** Poinsettias will be displayed in the sanctuary on December 23 and 24. You can pick-up your poinsettia(s) at the conclusion of the Christmas Eve Service or on December 26 – 28 during office hours. Contact Mary Ann Wippermann if you have questions.

Central Church women are invited to the Grace Evangelical Church Women's Christmas dinner, December 2, from 5:00PM–8:00PM. This will be at the Grace Evangelical Church, 3015 South Ten Mile Drive. Cost is \$12 per person. Please make your reservations with Ruth Long so they can adequately prepare!

2019 Altar Flower and Bulletin Openings: The listings below are available for 2019. Cost for altar flowers: \$30, bulletins: \$15. If you are interested in one or more of these openings, please contact the office at office@centralucc.com or 635-1041.

Altar Flower Openings:

5th Sunday in March (3/31)

5th Sunday in June (6/30)

Bulletin Openings:

5th Sunday in March (3/31)

4th Sunday in May (5/27)

5th Sunday in June (6/30)

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

Young Youth for kids ages K-5th grades get together on Wednesdays after school for food and fun, faith and fellowship. Supervision begins at 3:45 (or whenever your school gets out) and we end at 6:00. We are working through lessons and Scripture about parables. These are stories that Jesus told to help teach a lesson. Come join us!

Incoming mail for groups and committees within Central Church – A lot of mail comes through the office each week, including mail addressed to the various groups at Central UCC. Effective immediately, mail for groups, committees, etc. will be placed on shelves in the library across from the office. This will allow for all of the mail to be sorted appropriately and placed in one location, as well as serve as one location for mail to be picked-up. Mail will be placed in stacks on the library shelves temporarily until we can acquire something more permanent which will have a labeled mail slot for each group and committee. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Christmas begins with Christ

Handbell Solo Christmas Concert
Sunday, December 16
2:00 p.m.

Scripture and music woven together to reflect on Jesus' birth

**ADVENT POINSETTIA ORDER
2018**

Please complete the form below to place your order for poinsettias. Cost is \$10 per poinsettia. This form along with your payment must be turned in to the church office no later than **Monday, December 3rd.**

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Number of Poinsettia/s: _____

Total Cost: _____ (\$10 each)

Wording as you would like it to appear in the Christmas Eve Memorial/Honorarium Listing: (In memory of or In honor of – please specify, and PLEASE PRINT)

From: _____

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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