

# **CENTRAL**

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



**January 6, 2019**

**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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**PRELUDE**

“The Old Year Now Has Passed Away”

- Bach

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“Another Year Is Dawning”

#424

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

O Lord, our God,

**how majestic is your name!**

As we journey through life,

**you are always with us.**

In seasons of rejoicing,

**we do not laugh alone.**

In seasons of mourning,

**we do not weep alone.**

When the heavens open up,

**we behold your glory.**

O Lord, our God,

**how majestic is your name!**

**\*CHORAL INTROIT**

**\*GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

**Eternal God, as we enter into a new year, may our love for you be made known in our love for one another. Help us forgive ourselves for past failings, even as we open our hearts to the possibilities that lie before us. Guide our footsteps, that we may live as your beloved children. Amen.**

**\*PRAISE HYMN**

“At Thy Feet, Our God and Father”

#423

**\*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**

Psalm 72:1-7

Matthew 2:1-12

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**"Mary, Did You Know?"**

– Mark Lowry & Buddy Green  
(arr. Bruce Greer)

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
would one day walk on water?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
would save our sons and daughters?

Did you know that your baby boy  
has come to make you new?

This Child that you delivered

will soon deliver you. Mary, did you know?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
will give sight to the blind man?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
would calm a storm with his hand?  
Did you know that your baby boy  
has walked where angels trod?  
And when you kiss your little baby,  
you have kissed the face of God?  
Mary, did you know? Did you know?

The blind will see, the deaf will hear;  
the dead will live again! The lame will  
leap, the dumb will speak the praises of  
the Lamb!

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
is Lord of all creation?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
will one day rule the nations?  
Did you know that your baby boy  
was heaven's perfect Lamb?  
And the sleeping Child you're holding  
is the Great I Am! I Am!

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
would one day walk on water?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
would save our sons and daughters?  
Did you know that your baby boy  
has come to make you new?  
This Child that you delivered  
will soon deliver you.  
Mary, did you know? Mary, did you know?

**\*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.**

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**OFFERING**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**"How Brightly Shines the Morning Star" - Buxtehude**

**\*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**      "Resonet in Laudibus"      - Purvis

### THANKSGIVING PRAYER

## AND GO FORTH IN LOVE

**\*CLOSING HYMN**      "A Parting Hymn We Sing"      #343

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

“In Thee Is Gladness”

- Manz

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

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**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**  
**January 6 – January 13**

TODAY:	Adult Sunday School	8:30AM
	Coffee Hour	9:00AM
	Children's Sunday School	9:30AM
	Worship	10:00AM
MON:	Scouts	7:00PM
TUES:	Mission and Outreach Ministry	4:00PM
WED:	Quilting	9:00AM
	CUCC Family Time (Perkins)	9:00AM
	Young Youth	3:45PM
	Bell Choir	6:15PM
	Sr. Choir	7:00PM
THURS:	Salvation Army Meal	5:00PM
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Adult Sunday School	8:30AM
	Coffee Hour	9:00AM
	Children's Sunday School	9:30AM
	Worship	10:00AM

**Attendance Last Sunday: 77**

**Altar flowers** are for members past and present of Central United Church of Christ from Linda Heller.

**Bulletins** are in loving memory of Judy Rizner from the family.

**Our sympathy is extended to the family of Margaret Bates** who passed away December 27, 2018. Services were held December 31, 2018.

**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, Family of Margaret Bates

**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 time has come when the beautiful Christmas trees and other decorations need to be taken down** and stored away for another year. **Help will be needed today!** We'll do this right after the worship service. If you have any questions, contact Mary Ann Wippermann.

**A community handbell concert** featuring Christmas music will be held at **3:00 pm this afternoon** at Wesley Methodist Church on Hwy 179. Our bell choir is not able to participate this year, but Rene will be performing two solos. For admission they ask for a can of food or a small donation for the Samaritan Center.

**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. More information will follow – be sure to mark January 19 on your calendar.

**To join our Remind group** to receive texts or email for any Central UCC bad weather cancellations or all church notifications.... Send a text with @centralucc to 81010 or join by email send a blank email to [@centralucc@mail.remind.com](mailto:@centralucc@mail.remind.com)

**It's time to sign-up for monthly 2019 Salvation Army Meals.** All months are open except January and May. If you would like to volunteer, contact Mission and Outreach Ministry chair,

Susan Poettgen, at 573-298-4515 or [susan.poettgen@gmail.com](mailto:susan.poettgen@gmail.com).

**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](mailto: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





# 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](mailto: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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