

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



February 2, 2020
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
SCOUT SUNDAY
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

PRELUDE *“Our Father Who Art in Heaven” – Mendelssohn*

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *“O Worship the King”* #10

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

The Lord does not require your sacrifice.

We will be a people who lives justly.

The Lord does not need rivers of toil.

We offer loving kindness to the world.

The Lord does not ask you to ignore your loved ones.

We will walk humbly with our God.

CHOIR INTROIT

***GATHERING PRAYER (in unison)**

Gracious and holy presence, no matter our state of being, you are with us. When we mourn, you call us blessed. When we yearn for righteousness, you call us blessed. When we worry that we might be fools for our faith, your wisdom guides our lives. Open our minds and our lives this day to your manifold blessing. In the blessings of your presence, may we speak your truth from grateful hearts. Amen.

PRAISE HYMN *“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”* #8

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

Micah 6:1-8

Matthew 5:1-12

CHOIR RESPONSE

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Down to the River to Pray"*

- Words: Ken Medema

- Music: Mary McDonald

As I went down to the river to pray,
studyin' about that good ole way
and who shall wear the starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way.
O brother, let's go down, let's go down.
O brother, let's go down, down to the
River to pray.

O Lord, listen to your children prayin',
O Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
O Lord, listen to your children prayin',
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.
Something's gonna happen like the world
has never known, when the people of the Lord

get down to pray. A door's gonna swing open
and the walls come tumblin' down, when the
people of the Lord get down to pray.

O children, let's go down, let's go down,
come on down. O children, let's go down,
down to the river to pray, down to the river to pray,
down to the river to pray, to pray: Lord, listen
to your children prayin'. O Lord, send your Spirit
in this place. O Lord, listen to your children prayin',
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.
I went down to the river to pray,
I went down to the river to pray,
to the river to pray.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

***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 *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* – *Willan*

***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

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," "Thee We Adore"
- arr. Cassler

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

AND GO FORTH IN LOVE

CLOSING HYMN

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” #193 (vs. 1, 2, 5)

***BENEDICTION**

CHOIR RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *“Cathedral Prelude and Fugue”* – *Bach*

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

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

February 2 – February 9

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
	Dominoes/Fellowship	1:00pm
	Young Youth	3:00pm
	Bell Choir	6:15pm
	Sr. Adult Choir	7:00pm
THURS:	Adult Bible Study	10:00am
SAT:	Breakfast Bonanza	7:00am
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Adult Sunday School	8:30am
	Coffee Hour	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am

Attendance last Sunday: 88

Altar flowers are in memory of my parents, grandparents, great-niece, and all loved ones from Mary Ann Wippermann.

Bulletins are in honor of our past and present Boy Scout Troop #5 at Central Church since 1923.

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, Dennis Kuebler, Janet Miller, Stanley Eikermann

Adult Bible Study with Rev. Scott has moved to Thursdays, at 10:00 a.m. The class is open to all!

Rev. Scott's contact information:

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90+ Birthdays this month:

(To our knowledge, there are no 90+ birthdays in February. Please notify the office if you know someone who should be added to the list.)

Today is Scout Sunday, and we welcome Troop 5 as they worship with us. Troop 5 had three scouts who reached the rank of Eagle Scout in the past year: Kyle Sears, Johnathan Scott, and Zebediah Miller. Two more scouts in the troop are close to reaching the Eagle Scout rank. The 5 younger scouts are working hard toward their merits and are making good progress. In April, Troop 5 is planning on joining other scout troops to help with work at the state parks at Lake of the Ozarks. They also have a lot of other fun activities planned throughout the rest of the year.

Blood Drive – Snacks are needed for the blood drive on February 17. If you would like to provide a snack for the canteen, please bring it Sunday, February 16 or at 12:30 on February 17. The Red

Cross provides pretzels, raisins, packages of cookies and fruit snacks but homemade items go over very well. Contact Susan Poettgen at 573-298-4515 or email susan.poettgen@gmail.com if you can bring a snack or have questions.

Festival of Sharing – The Festival of Sharing Office has garden seed packets that need to be packaged for area community gardens. This will be a sit-down job no heavy lifting. We will car-pool to Columbia on February 27th. Meet on the lower parking lot at 8:00 to travel to their office at 3601 Amron Court in Columbia. Contact Susan Poettgen at 573-398-4515 or email susan.poettgen@gmail.com if you plan to go or have questions.

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.

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: May, June, July, August, and October. 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.

WASHINGTON ST. PARKING: Our neighbors on Washington St. have requested that we refrain from parking in front of their residences on that side of the street on Sunday mornings. They have no off-street parking, so if they leave to run an errand, they often return to find no parking anywhere around if it is during

our service time. While the street is public parking, we want to be seen as the caring members of our community that we truly are. Please show these neighbors some respect and save the parking spaces on the residential side of the street for them. Thank you.

Please remember to only use your 2020 offering envelopes as envelope numbers are re-assigned each year. Discard any previous year's envelopes. Thank you.

Bulletin openings for 2020 – Please contact the church office if you would like one or more of the Sundays listed below.

May 31, August 30, November 29



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

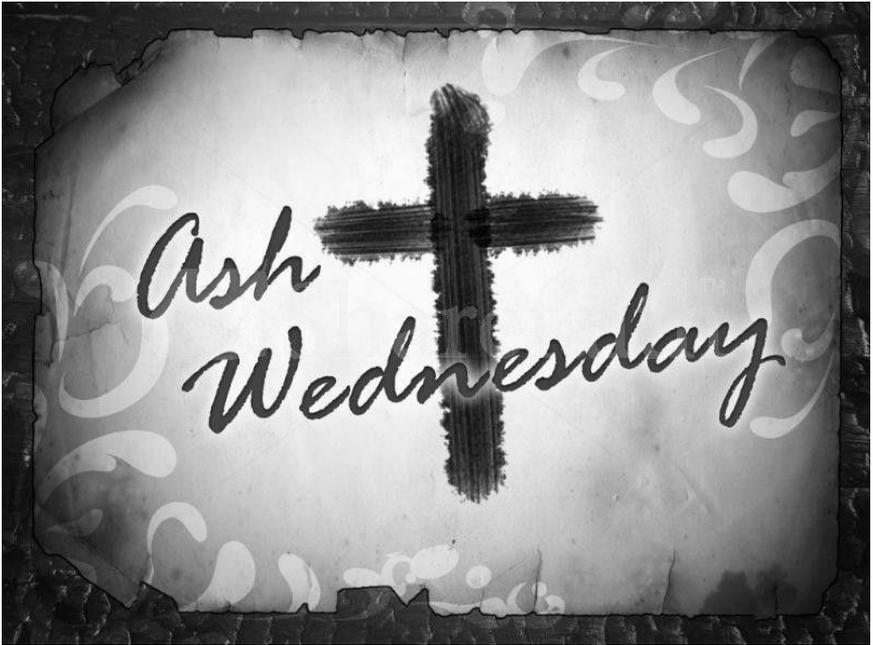
Second Saturdays

Jan. 11 Feb. 8 Mar. 14

7:00 – 11:30am

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February 26, 2020

WORSHIP

6:00pm

Meal

4:30pm — 5:45pm

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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