

CENTRAL

United Church of Christ
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March 14, 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“God of Grace and God of Glory” - Manz*

OPENING HYMN *“God of Grace and God of Glory”*

God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power;
Crown Thine ancient church’s story;
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour.

Set our feet on lofty places;
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces
In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor Thee!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Let the faithful give thanks to the Lord.

GATHERING PRAYER

God of immeasurable grace, you meet us in our time of need and cause your face to shine upon us. You sent your Son into the world, that we might be saved; and you fashioned us into vessels of your love and light. Redeem us this day, O God, that we may be found worthy of the one who came to bring us life. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Rene Miserez

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 107:1-7

John 3:14-21

SPECIAL MUSIC “Blessed Assurance” - Roger Hager,
soloist; Gary Sanders, pianist

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM – ABOUT GOD IN THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST

16. Why must He be a true and sinless man?

Because the justice of God requires, that the same human nature which has sinned should make satisfaction for sin; but no man, being himself a sinner, could satisfy for others.

17. Why must He be at the same time true God?

That by the power of His Godhead, He might bear in His manhood the burden of God’s wrath and so obtain for and restore to us righteousness and life.

18. But who now is that Mediator, who is at the same time true God and a true, sinless man?

Our Lord Jesus Christ, who is freely given unto us for complete redemption and righteousness.

19. Whence knowest thou this?

From the Holy Gospel: which God Himself first revealed in Paradise; afterwards proclaimed by the holy Patriarchs and Prophets, and foreshadowed by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law; and finally fulfilled by His well-beloved Son.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY SCRIPTURE

Malachi 3:10a "Bring the full tithe into the storehouse...and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of Hosts..."

CLOSING HYMN "O Grant Us Light, That We May Know"

O grant us light, that we may know
The wisdom Thou alone canst give;
That truth may guide where-e'er we go,
And virtue bless where-e'er we live.

O grant us light, when, soon or late,
All earthly scenes shall pass away,
In Thee to find the open gate
To deathless home and endless day.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Prelude in G Major" - Walther

(All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI)

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

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
March 14 – March 21

TODAY:	Worship	10:00am
	Congregational Meeting	11:00am
WED:	Meals On Wheels	10:00am
THURS:	Church Council	7:00pm
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Worship	10:00am
	Annual Meeting	11:00am

Worship attendance last Sunday: 58

Altar flowers are in honor of Deidre Mueller for her birthday from Kurt and family.

Bulletins are given in memory of Monroe J. & Lorraine Schmutzler, and Bruce and Marian Nichols from the family.

Rev. Scott's contact information:

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Our sympathy is extended to the family of Linda Schwartz, who passed away March 8, 2021. Services were held March 13, 2021.

Please pray for our members, family and friends:

Mabel Thompson, Elizabeth Klemme, Beckett Karr, Jimmy Fairchild, Melissa Parscal, Lee Thompson, August Begemann, Michelle Heymeyer, Abel Green, George Seifert, Allen & Barb

Schmutzler, Janet Miller, Lonnie Schneider, Ruth Long, Jo Ann Roberts, Gladys Gladden, Gwen Vieth, Doug Blaha, Paul LePage, Shirley Ernst, Susan Poettgen, Family of Linda Schwartz

MARCH 85+ BIRTHDAYS:

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

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM SAFE CHURCH COMMITTEE & WORSHIP COMMITTEE RE: WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY:

As we resume worshipping in the sanctuary, things will be done differently for the safety of all. We ask for your patience as we adjust to the new way of doing things. Things to remember are:

- Everyone's temperature will be taken before entering the building.
- Everyone must wear a mask. If you need a mask, we will have one available.
- **Practice social distancing of 6 feet.**
- No hand shaking or hugging.
- Ushers will assist with seating.
- Unrelated or persons not living in the same household should not ride together in the elevator.

Offering Baskets are located at the back of the sanctuary, and up front by the doors next to the chancel platform for you to place your offering envelopes.

A Congregational Meeting will be held today, March 14, 2021, for the purpose of the election of Church Council officers, and to approve the 2021 budget. The Annual Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, March 21. Both meetings will take place following worship.

EASTER MEMORIAL/HONORARIUM LISTING FORM

For Easter Sunday, you may make a monetary donation in memory of or in honor of someone for the Easter Memorial/Honorarium Listing which will be available on Easter Sunday.

*Your form and check are due in the office **by Monday, March 29.***

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Donation:

General Fund

Other Fund _____

Wording for Listing: In memory of In honor of

(PLEASE PRINT) _____

From: _____

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here! We would love to have you become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community.

Ministers	Every Member
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Judith Scott
Young Youth Director/Bell Choir Director	Rene Miserez
Organist	Shirley Klein

*The Mission of Central United Church of Christ is...
to be a Christ-centered community of faithful disciples,
called to SHARE GOD'S LOVE with each other,
our community, and our world.*

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