

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



April 25, 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“The Good Shepherd” - Benoit*

OPENING HYMN *“Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”*

Saviour, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

Early let us seek Thy favor;
Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Saviour,
With Thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still;
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Thou hast loved us, love us still.

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we love with our lives, we become reflections of God for all to see.

May we love one another, even when love involves risk.

May we love as God loves us, loving and caring for others, even when caring is hard.

GATHERING PRAYER

Mighty God and Shepherd of love, guide our thoughts and our actions, that we too might become shepherds of love. Speak to our hearts as we listen this day, that our hearts may expand

and embrace all of your sheep. Teach us to love fully, that we might love all of the flocks of your world as fully as we are loved by you. In your shepherding love, we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 4:5-12

John 10:11-18

SPECIAL MUSIC "Leaning On His Everlasting Arms"

Roger Hager, soloist

Gary Sanders, pianist

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.

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

2 Corinthians 9:6 "The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

CLOSING HYMN "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever.

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Rigaudon" - Campra

(All Hymns and Songs reprinted under CCLI)

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

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
April 25 – May 2

TODAY:	Worship	10:00am
MON:	WIGS Circle	1:00pm
TUES:	Rev. Scott in the Office	
	Congregational Life Ministry	10:00am
	Elenor Circle (rescheduled to 4/27)	1:00pm
WED:	Young Youth	3:00pm
	Bell Choir	6:15pm
SAT:	Brotherhood Camp Aurora Workday	6:30am
NEXT SUNDAY:		
	Worship	10:00am

Worship attendance last Sunday: 53

Altar flowers are given in honor of our children and grandchildren from Warren and Joni Witt.

Bulletins are given in memory of loved ones from Roger and Diana Phillips.

Rev. Scott's contact information:

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Please pray for our members, family and friends:

85+ BIRTHDAYS – APRIL:

Florence Guhleman (4/14)
836 Willowbrook Trail
Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Wilburn Rowden (4/24)
c/o Valley Park Residential, Room #304
355 Karen Drive
Holts Summit, MO 65043

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

- 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.

Brotherhood is planning a workday on May 1st at Camp Aurora. Please contact Carl Ernst if you would like to go. Pack a lunch. We'll meet in the church parking lot at 6:30 a.m.

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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