

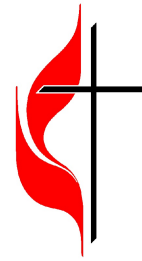
**THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL, OCTOBER 18–24, 2009**

- SUNDAY** 9:30 a.m. Education Meeting (Connections)  
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
 (Mary Shoemaker, Helen Landes, Susan Black, Beth Blackmer)  
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 Following Worship: Trustees (Fellowship Hall)  
 2:00 p.m. CROP Walk (Parking Lot)
- The Church Secretary will be on vacation this week –  
 Office Hours Mon.–Thurs. 9-12; closed Friday**
- MONDAY** 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 5:00 p.m. Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)  
 6:00-8:00 Love & Logic Parenting Class (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)
- TUESDAY** 9:00 a.m. Child’s Play  
 2:00 p.m. Stained Glass Home School Choir (Choir Room)  
 7:00 p.m. Nurture Committee (Connections)  
 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee (Heritage Room)
- WEDNESDAY** 10:00–11:30 Food Pantry  
 12:00–12:30 Prayer Time  
 6:00 p.m. Women’s NA (Eagon Hall)  
 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
- THURSDAY** 9:00 a.m. Child’s Play  
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
- FRIDAY** 8:15 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
- SATURDAY** 9:00 a.m. Choir Retreat (Massanetta)  
 6:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)

**IN MINISTRY**

General Ministers.....	372
Pastor.....	Stephanie M Sault
Pastoral Assistant.....	Daniel K. Purdom
Retired Missionary Professor.....	Hunter P. Mabry
Professor MBC.....	Kenneth A. Beals
Minister of Music/Organist.....	Sherry von Oeyen
Church Secretary.....	Agnes Campbell
Custodian.....	Janet Nuckoles
District Superintendent.....	Kathleen Overby Webster
Resident Bishop.....	Charlene Payne Kammerer

*The Mission  
of Central UMC  
is to make disciples  
of Jesus Christ.*



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Whoever  
wants to  
become great  
among you  
must be your  
servant.

Mark 10:43

*Morning Worship  
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 18, 2009 11:00 a.m.*

*The Entrance*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude. . . . . “Awake, Awake to Love and Work”  
arr. Wilbur Held

\*Greeting. . . . . from 1 John 4:12

No one has ever seen God;

**if we love one another, God lives in us,  
and his love is perfected in us.**

\*Hymn 530. . . . . “Are Ye Able”

\*Opening Prayer. . . . . from *The U. M. Book of Worship*

From the beginning, God entered into covenant  
with the human family; with Adam and Eve,  
Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Moses, Deborah,  
Ruth, and Jeremiah.

**Through baptism, Jesus Christ calls us  
into the covenant and makes us ministers  
of Christ’s righteousness.**

All Christian ministry is Christ’s work of  
outreaching love. It demonstrates a common life  
of gratitude and devotion, witness and service,  
celebration and discipleship.

*(Continued)*

*\*Please stand as able*

**All Christians are called to Christ's servanthood in the world,  
to the glory of God and for human fulfillment.**

The Church, as the community of the new covenant,  
participates in Christ's ministry of grace.

**It stretches out to human needs  
wherever service may convey God's love and ours.**

In our ministry of servanthood is this ultimate concern:

**that all may be renewed in the image of their Creator,  
and that all Christians are called to minister  
in deeds and words that heal and free. Amen.**

Children's Focus

### *Proclamation and Response*

Prayer for Illumination

*(After the reading of the Scripture Lesson the reader will say: "This is the Word of the Lord."  
The congregation responds: Thanks be to God.)*

First Reading. . . . . Job 38:1-7 (34-41) (Pew Bible, Page 420)

Psalter 826. . . . . Psalm 104

Second Reading. . . . . Hebrews 5:1-10 (Pew Bible, Page 973)

Musical Offering: "Forever Blest Is He". . . . . Handel / Stanton

\*Gospel Reading. . . . . Mark 10:35-45 (Pew Bible, Page 823)

Sermon. . . . . Rev. Dr. Stephanie Sault

## *Response to the Word*

Pastoral Prayer and 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Prayer

*(Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.)*

Offering: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name". . . . . arr. Donald Busarow

\*Congregational Response: Hymn 94. . . "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Affirmation of Faith. . . . . Page 882

## *Thanksgiving and Holy Communion*

Invitation

Celebration of Holy Communion. . . . . Pages 17-18, Musical Setting A

Hymns: *The Faith We Sing* 2258, 22193 (3x), 2152 (2x)

## Sending Forth

\*Hymn 2222..... “The Servant Song”

\*Blessing and Sending Forth

\*Congregational Response: Hymn 666. .... Shalom to You”

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.**

**May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.**

**In all your living and through your loving,**

**Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

\*Postlude: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”. .... arr. Martha Sobaje

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**TO OUR GUESTS:** We are delighted to have you worship with us. All the opportunities and programs of Central are available to you. To become a member of this fellowship, please talk with the pastor after the service. Following the service will be a time of refreshment and fellowship. Please join us so that we might get better acquainted.

**PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT** to sign the attendance slip in your pew; and, if you are a member here, please introduce yourself to anyone who might be visiting with us today. Your warmth and hospitality will be a blessing in someone’s life today.

**THE COMMUNION RAIL** is open for prayer at any time, but particularly during the pastoral prayer, during Communion, during the final hymn, and after the worship service. If you would like someone to pray with you, please let the pastor know.

**CHILDREN** are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Following the Children’s Focus, children under 6 years of age may go to the play room. Later, during the Doxology, they will be brought back into the Sanctuary to participate with their parents in the Great Thanksgiving and receiving the Lord’s Supper. We welcome the participation of the youngest members of the family of faith.

**DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?** Please note it in our Prayer Book (located in the Narthex), and our prayer ministry team will join you in praying for the person/need.

**FLOWERS** on our altar today are given:

By Esther and Hunter Mabry in honor of their children Philip and Ruth; and

By Betty Herr in memory of her family.

**THE CONNECTIONS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS WILL RESUME MEETING,** beginning October 25. The class will meet in the Connections Room, on the first floor of the Education Building. David Sault will lead a study of the book of John. The class invites its “old members” to return and welcomes anyone not presently attending a Sunday School Class.

**CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** Spam, hash, shampoo, paper towels, men’s socks.

**PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY,** October 25, as we *Celebrate the Gift* during the Worship Service and covered-dish lunch following. The meat will be supplied—please bring your favorite covered dishes (enough for your family and a little extra for our guests). Pledge cards are available today and will be collected during our service next week. Please give prayerful consideration to your financial stewardship.

**THE PATHWAY TO RENEWAL** study is scheduled to begin next Sunday, October 25, 7:00–8:30 p.m. The text is available in the Gathering Area and the Church Office. Please indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet or contact the Church Office.

**CHURCH SECRETARY VACATION** – October 19-30. We’re looking for several volunteers to help staff the Church Office Monday through Wednesday 9:00–12:00. Please contact Anita Jackson for additional details.

**OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP** (Oct. 11) Attendance: 89

Income received toward budgeted expenses: \$3,892.92

September Receipts \$16,316.80

September Expenses Paid \$17,380.28

Unpaid Expenses as of Sept. 30 \$ 6,282.31

**GREETERS:** Emily Morgan, Suzanne Peeler

**READER:** Anita Jackson

**COMMUNION:** Barbara Snyder, Bobbie Rosson; Tom and Connie Davis

**USHERS:** Bob Markley, Vince Ennis, Sam Richardson, Ken Beals, Richard Hamrick, Jim Clemmer, John Ambrogi, Ben True, Eric Stumb, Bill Bushman, Josh Gutshall, Tommy Rosen