This Week at Central, June 28—July 4, 2009

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
		(Nursery: Emily Stumb, Lynn Hill, Jo Ann Black, Craig Dorn)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		Following Worship: Brief Trustees Meeting
Monday	5:00 p.m.	Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Single Mingle Covered Dish, Concert (Gypsy Hill Park Bandstand)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Connections)
Wednesday	10:00–11:30	Food Pantry Open
	10:30 a.m.	Qigong Exercise
	6:00 p.m.	Women's NA (Eagon Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Called Charge Conference (Connections)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
Friday		Church Office Closed Today
	8:15 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
Saturday	6:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)

IN MINISTRY

General Ministers	368
Pastor	Stephanie M Sault
Lay Assistant to the Pastor	Donna R. Huffer
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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But just as you excel in everything ... see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

2 Corinthians 8:7

Morning Worship

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2009 *11:00 a.m.*

The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Alleluia".. . . . . arr. Mark Hayes
Deborah Reed, pianist

*Greeting. . . . . from *The Africana Worship Book*

We praise you, God!
Not because we are worthy
but because you are worthy.
We praise you!
Not just with our voices today
But with our living everyday.
We praise you!
Not because it pleases us
But because it pleases you.
We praise you!

*Hymn 384.. . . "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*Opening Prayer.. . . from *The Africana Worship Book*

Creator God,
we come into the world with nothing,
but all we have comes from you.
Over and over again,
when we've taken one step toward you,
you've taken two toward us.
When we've give up the little we have,
you've supplied us more than we can use.

(Continued)

**Please Stand as Able*

When we've doubted but forged on anyway,
you turned our fledgling steps into flight.
When we've been ready to shed our doubts,
you've dressed us in the courage of Deborah.
When we've been ready to shed our ignorance,
you've planted in us the wisdom of Paul.
You believe in us more than we believe in ourselves.
You believe in us even when our belief in you is shallow.
Thank you for investing in this risky venture called humanity.
Thank you for investing in us. 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. . . . . 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 (Pew Bible, Page 240)

Psalter 848. . . . . Psalm 130

Second Reading. . . . . 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 (Pew Bible, Page 941)

Musical Offering:"Psalm 130: Out of the Depths". . . . . Scott Soper
Jennifer Reed, Soloist

*Gospel Reading. . . . . Mark 5:21-43 (Pew Bible, Page 816)

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

By dying, Christ destroyed our death; in rising, he restores our life;
in giving us his Spirit, he grants us peace. The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer

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

Offering: "My Jesus, I Love Thee". . . . . Adoniram Gordon

*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 883

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Invitation

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

Hymns: 375, 389, 382

Sending Forth

*Hymn 383.. . . . . "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

*Blessing and Sending Forth

*Congregational Response: Hymn 668. . . . . "Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace"

Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus.
Send us to our homes with God's love in our hearts.
Let not the busy world claim all our loyalties.
Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee.

*Postlude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty".. . . . . Erneuerton Gesangbuch

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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 the pastor to pray with you, please let her 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.

CALLED CHARGE CONFERENCE . . . On Wednesday, July 1, 7:00 p.m. there will be a called Charge Conference for the purpose of approving the sale price of the Ticknor property. Please contact Trustee Chairperson Ed Smith for additional information.

THE FLOWERS today are given by Jim and Sandra Clemmer in memory of Iris Cook and by Rebecca Nishimura in memory of Pauline Evans.

THE LAY ASSISTANT TO THE MINISTER position is available, due to the upcoming relocation of Steve and Donna Huffer. Inquiries may be made to the Church Office.

CENTRAL'S PRESCHOOL MOMS would like to offer their sincere thanks to all those wonderful individuals who worked so hard to make Vacation Bible School such a positive experience for our children. Some "moms only" fellowship time was also greatly appreciated!

GREETERS: Evelyn Butler, Cheryl Kent **READER:** Eric Stumb
COMMUNION: Anita Jackson, Barbara Snyder, Kim Mitchell, Constance Mitchell
USHERS: Steve Huffer, Tom Spotts, Jim Printy, James Creger, Jack True, Tom Davis, Judd Bankert, Ed Smith, Joe Hill, Mike Melton, Jim Linnane, Donna Huffer, Frank Wade

OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP (June 21) Attendance: 79
Income received toward budgeted expenses: $1,982.00

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Boxed flake (instant) potatoes	Beef Stew	Dishwashing Liquid
Powdered milk	Canned Spaghetti	Deodorant
Chili	Ramen Noodles	Bath Soap
Corned beef	Jelly	Shampoo/Conditioner
Hash	Toilet Tissue	*(Thank you!)*