

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

\* indicates to stand as you are able;  
if sitting is better for you, feel free to do so!

Preparing for Worship

Morning Has Broken  
arr. Mark Hayes

Greeting

Announcements

*Bruce Bishop*

*There are pads in the seats to help us connect with you—please take some time during the service to fill it out and pass it along.*

*Feel free to check in on Facebook as well.*

We Are Called to Worship

One: This is the message I have heard from him and now celebrate with you: Christ is risen!

**All: Christ is risen indeed.**

One: Bless are you who have not seen him, yet you truly believe and trust him.

**All: See how good and delightful it is when Christians gather together as one.**

One: Let us pray together.

**Dear God, you are astounding! At the end of all your surprises you send among us the one who was crucified, dead and buried, and risen into glory. He comes now as a living Lord, defying our locked doors, banishing our fears, greeting us with peace, and overwhelming us with awe and wondering love. How paltry is our vaunted knowledge, how pathetic our cultured doubts, when our souls are confronted with this risen Christ! How blessed are those who believe him, and how happy are those who receive him. Please receive our thanks, our praise and our worship, and continue to bless us beyond our deserving, as we lift up our voices in celebration. Amen.**

*(Adapted with permission of the author, B. D. Prewer)*

**\*Song #307 (red)**

**Christ is Risen**

\*We Exchange Signs of Peace and Blessing

*Please greet your neighbors, especially those you don't yet know*

A Time for the Child in All of Us (11 am)

Scripture

Psalm 133

Carl Northrup

We Offer Ourselves and Our Gifts to God's Purposes

Meditation ~ Michael Horvit

*Roger Richards*

Response: All things come from you, O God.

**All: And of your own have we given you.**

\*Song of Dedication #94 Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

**\*Song #2172 (black)**

**We Are Called**

We Hear Joys and Concerns and Pray for Each Other

*Following the pastor's prayer, we will speak the names of others not already named who need special prayers today.*

*This ends with the words: "Lord, in Your Love," the people respond: "**Hear our prayers.**"*

The Lord's Prayer #895 (red)

Scripture

John 20:19-31

Bob Wilcox

The Sermon

"Unless I See..."

*Rev. Roger Richards*

**\*Song #310 (red)**

**He Lives**

\*Blessing

Preparing for the Week

My Faith Has Found A Resting Place

arr. Marty Parks

*Music can be a wonderful preparation for the week ahead; why not spend some time in prayer before departing...*

### **Our Mission Statement**

*Central UMC is a fully inclusive church that seeks, embraces, educates, worships, and serves, all in God's love.*

## This Week

### Sunday, April 8

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP – Usher Team 1

9:00 Café Central – dining room

9:30 Sunday School

9:30 Usher meeting - library

11:00 WORSHIP

### Monday, April 9

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

6:30 Praise Band

7:30 Book Study at Jonathan's

### Tuesday, April 10

10-12 Clothing Center

10:00 Parish Visitors

10-7 WIC

### Wednesday, April 11

8-4 Sanctuary is open for prayer

11-1 Clothing Center

### Thursday, April 12

8:30 Wesley Class Breakfast

5:00 Shepherd Supper

5:30-7 Clothing Center

6:30 Cappella Ringers

7:00 Trustees

### Friday, April 13

7:30 A.A.

### Saturday, April 14

### Sunday, April 15 – Camping Sunday

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP – Usher Team 2

8:45 Education Council

9:00 Café Central – dining room

9:30 Sunday School

11:00 WORSHIP

7:00 Contemporary Worship



## Announcements

**Monday Book Study with Pastor Michelle** at Jonathans Restaurant is reading the book, *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor.

**Wesley Class Breakfast** is Thursday, April 12 at 8:30am at the Blue Dolphin. Please call Bonnie Harvey (785-8996) for reservations by Monday.

**Contemporary Worship** next Sunday, April 15 at 7pm in Fellowship Hall with Living Water praise band.

**Adult Sunday School** a new class led by Mark Marino will begin on Sunday, April 8 in the church lounge. "Picturing God" is a four-week study that will look at different ways to "see" God, describe our experiences of God, and witness to how God works in the world.

**Camping Sunday** is April 15. Matt Williams, Director of Sky Lake will be here to talk about the camps at Sky Lake. Brochures for the various camps are available in the Welcome Center. Members of the Lukens-Jackson task force will be in the dining room to answer questions about the camps and scholarships. Special collection for the Lukens Jackson Scholarship fund will be taken.

**Men's Group** meets Friday, April 20 at 6pm with a meal and a program led by Eric Yetter from Achieve on community mental health issues and special needs adults. Please sign-up in the Welcome Center. All men are invited.

**Radio Show & Potluck** is Sunday, April 22 at 12:30pm in the dining room. Please bring your place setting and a dish to pass. Drinks and dessert will be provided. The CUMC players will regale you with radio personalities from the past like Blondie & Dagwood.

**Ladies Retreat** will be Wed, May 23 at Sky Lake led by Rev. Barbara Green. Please return a registration slip (located in Welcome Center) and \$20 to the office. Invite your friends!

**Interfaith Program** on Sunday, April 15 at 2pm at All Saint's Episcopal Church, 475 Main St, Johnson City.

## In Our Prayers

### Hospitalized:

Dorothy Arrington, Carol Potter, Rawn Spearman

### Prayer Program: *Specific Families receiving prayer this week:*

Karen Avedisian, Jim & Sharon Calvin,  
Anne & Sean DePugh, Tom & Karen Greene,  
Allan & Lora Johnson, Carol Marino, Dick Sprague,  
Alan & Martha Petrush, Bruce & Florence Winegard

### Church Family and Friends:

Lee Shelp, Rose Harvey, Jean Bixby, Carter DePugh,  
Norene Byer, Sue Fitzgerald, our homebound members

To add prayer concerns (with person's permission),  
contact Andy Tewksbury (785-5861) or the office (754-6060)

## Central United Methodist Church *A Reconciling Congregation*

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*Organist*..... Sean Stafford  
*Custodian*..... Gregg Wood  
*Greeters*..... Barb, Brooke & Ben Melby / Horace & Marie King  
*Café Central*..... Carla & Gregg Wood, Steve Klock  
*Van* .....Keith Wilcox

Previous Services are available on Youtube or Central's website

## Central United Methodist Church *A Reconciling Congregation* April 8, 2018



## *Welcome!*

We welcome guests and visitors today, and we pray that the service will be a blessing to you. If you wish to learn more about Central and our ministries, there are Welcome folders available at each entrance/exit to the Sanctuary, and in our Welcome Center.

**Café Central** is our fellowship time with refreshments between the services—all are welcome downstairs in the Dining Room,

**Assisted Hearing Devices**, which operate throughout the building, and **large-print bulletins, hymnals & bibles** are available at the rear of the sanctuary. Please speak to an usher.

**Child Care** during worship is provided in the Nursery (Room 114) for infants and children up to age four. An usher will be happy to accompany you.

**Children's Activity Packets** are available at the rear of the sanctuary for children's use during the service.

**Central Church is sensitive to those with allergies.** Snacks in Café Central are nut-free. Central's communion elements are grape juice and gluten free bread.