

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

\* indicates to stand as you are able;  
if sitting is better for you, please sit with gusto!

**Preparing for Worship** Create in Me a Heart of Love  
by Tracey Craig McKibben

**Greeting**  
**Announcements** Carl Northrup  
*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: Praise God who reigns above the heavens.

**All: Praise God who dwells within our hearts.**

One: Let the majesty of creation worship in reverence.

**All: Let every man, woman and child pray in faith.**

One: Let us pray together:

**God, if we carry excess baggage in life's journey, teach us to travel more simply. If our possessions own us, free us to trust you and share with others. If our need for control keeps us anxious and demanding, help us to relax. If we carry loads of guilt, may we hand them over to you, trusting you to forgive us. God, make us simple; simple in trust, simple in life, simple in commitment for you. Prepare us for your mission. Allow us to join you in labor to heal the hurting, feed the hungry, and bring good news to the poor. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, in whose name we are baptized and sent on mission. Amen.**

**Song #500 (red) Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart**

### \*We Exchange Signs of Peace and Blessing

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

**Special Music** How Can I Keep From Singing  
*Women's Quartet* by Ginger Littleton

**Scripture** Ephesians 5:15-20 *Tom Hall*

### We Offer Ourselves and Our Gifts to God's Purposes

My Heart is in Your Keeping~John Carter *Women's Quartet*

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 #395 (red)

### Take Time to be Holy

### 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 6:51-58 *Pam Russell*

**The Sermon** *Rev. Gladys Fortuna-Blake*  
"Christ, the Living Bread"

### \*Song #536 (red)

### Precious Name

\*Choral Benediction by Iris Perry & John Emert

### \*Blessing

**Preparing for the Week** To God Be the Glory  
arr. Mary McDonald

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

**Women's Quartet** – Denise Johnson, Suzette Marino,  
Pat Breneman, Claire Labbe

#### Our Mission Statement

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

*The baptismal font remains out in the sanctuary as a visible reminder of our baptisms. Please take a moment as you enter or depart to pause, touch the water if you wish as you remember your own baptism. If you'd like a pebble for remembrance, please feel free to take one with you.*

### This Week

#### Sunday, August 19

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

8:30 Café Lite – dining room

9:30 WORSHIP – Usher Team 4

#### Monday, August 20

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

7:30 Book Study at Jonathan's

#### Tuesday, August 21

10-12 Clothing Center

10-7 WIC

#### Wednesday, August 22

8-4 Sanctuary is open for prayer

11-1 Clothing Center

4-6 VINES Farm Share

6:30 renovateCentral Listening Session

#### Thursday, August 23

5:00 Shepherd Supper

5:30-7 Clothing Center

#### Friday, August 24

**Office Closed**

7:30 A.A.

#### Saturday, August 25

#### Sunday, August 26 – Backpack Blessing Service

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

8:30 Café Lite – dining room

9:30 WORSHIP – Usher Team 1

11:00 Backpack Distribution



## Announcements

**Monday Book Study with Pastor Michelle** at Jonathans Restaurant is reading the book, *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian McLaren.

**renovateCentral** Pastor Michelle will hold 1 more listening and Question & Answer sessions in the dining room on Wed, August 22 at 6:30 pm with ice cream!

Save the date for the **UMW Bazaar & Luncheon** on Saturday, October 20 from 10-2. The UMW would appreciate any donation of handmade items (crochet, knit, sewn, painted, crafted, etc.) and jewelry for the Bazaar.

**Backpack Donations** Specific school supplies needed are posted on the board in front of the church library and in the Union St entrance. If you would rather donate money toward backpacks, make a check out to CUMC and place in the offering plate with backpacks on the envelope.

**Block Party** is a church-wide event on Sunday, Sept 9. Please check the Construction Display in front of the office for ways you can help. We need everyone's help!

**New Companions Class** is starting where you will explore the depths of scripture and learn to listen to God through it. An information meeting will be **Wed, September 12** at 7pm in the lounge. The class will then decide when they will meet. More details are in the Welcome Center.

**Blood Drive** is Sat, September 8 from 8am-1pm. Please sign-up in the Welcome Center if you can help out. This is another outreach of Central to the community.

**Clothing Center on the Road** again on Mon, Aug 20. If you would like to help, come to Central at 1pm to help load or help at Fairview UMC from 3-5pm.

**Central Shirts** will be available to pre-order thru mid-sept. Styles, colors and costs can be seen in the Welcome Center. For more info, call Pat in the office.

## In Our Prayers

### In the Hospital:

Armand Olevano – Bridgewater  
Lynn Weston - Lourdes

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

Jean Bixby, Tom & Phyllis Cousins, Nancy Fauci,  
Deb & Dave Henderson, Debbie Kish, Doris Miller,  
David & Cheryl Rosenbloom, Scott & Jolynn Thompson

### Church Family and Friends:

Carla Wood, Barbara Reynolds, Chuck & Rose Harvey,  
Elaine Gilyard, Rytis Sirmenis, Laura Arndt, Debbie Cooper,  
Doris DeHaas, and 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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*Café Lite* ..... Shelley Lobevero  
*Greeters*.....Janet Bouton/Pat McVannan  
*Van* ..... Lee Shelp

Previous Services are available on Youtube or Central's website

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**August 19, 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 Lite** is our fellowship time with refreshments before the summer 9:30 worship 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 Lite are nut-free. Central's communion elements are grape juice and gluten free bread.