



LANSING CENTRAL
United Methodist Church

The Heart of Christ in the Heart of Lansing

lansingcentralumc.org

215 N. Capitol Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933
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Downtown for Good!

Our Congregational Focus...
Outreach, Nurture, and Hospitality

This Week at Central

Sunday – April 15 ~ Camp Sunday

**Monthly in-gathering of food for the
South Lansing Food Bank**

- 9:00am Pre-Service Fellowship Time-
Library
- 9:30 Worship/Sanctuary
Children Classes/Sanctuary-
Classrooms
- 10:30 Fellowship Time-Fellowship Hall,
First Floor
- 5:30pm Vespers
- Monday – April 16**
Judy Grove Circle
- Tuesday – April 17**
Trustees
- Wednesday – April 18**
Ad Council
- Thursday – April 19**
Spirit Singers
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:30
- Friday – April 20**

New church email addresses:

- Pastor Mark: seniorpastor@lansingcentralumc.net
- Office: adminassistant@lansingcentralumc.net
- Music/Worship: musicdirector@lansingcentralumc.net
- Pastor Bill: assistantpastor@lansingcentralumc.net
- Building: buildingsuper@lansingcentralumc.net
- Finance: financialsecretary@lansingcentralumc.net

Please use for all church correspondence. Thank you.



Eastertide ~ the 50 days after Easter

Today's radio broadcast is in memory of Alice Pifer, for her 74th birthday, April 18, by Steve and Mary Beth Pifer.

If you are a **guest**, we are so happy to welcome you. We hope you enjoy this worship experience. You are invited to pick up a small gift in the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer Ministry

Prayers are asked for the following ~
Our sympathy and prayers go out to the Knechtel family on the death of JoAnn's mother last week.

Rotating Prayer List ~ Joyce Brendahl, Diane DeVinney, Bernice Erickson, Jack Lansing, Revena McLaughlin

Our Missionary in Cameroon ~ Mbwizu Ndjungu
Hospice ~ Joy Adcock

Strength and Healing ~ Frank Anderson, Win Anderson, Glee Barnard, Betty Bosanic, Al Doering, Mike Garcia, Jerrie Gibbs, Renee Hall, Bryan Halter, Mariah Huston, Sue Kephart, Barb Lansing, Glen Lounsbury, Scott Neller, Justin Sleight, Bill Tennant, Tom Towsley, Bob Westerfield, *and* those God knows are on our hearts and minds.

Central's FAX number is (517) 485-9772

You may email the church office at adminassistant@lansingcentralumc.net

Pastor Mark's phone number is (517) 318-6956.

Our website is www.lansingcentralumc.net.

Winter closing policy ~ when the Lansing School District is closed for inclement weather, Central also closes. *All* day and evening activities are cancelled on those days.

PARKING: Just a reminder that a generous amount of covered parking is available in back of Central, in the ramp on Seymour.

Our worship service is **broadcast live** over WJIM-AM (1240) Sundays from 9:30am to 10:30am. A delayed telecast of the service is carried Thursday on Lansing Comcast channel 16 at 4pm.

Our services are available on **You Tube** ~ search Lansing Central United Methodist Church.

Manuscripts of Pastor Mark's sermons are available following the service at the front desk at the Capitol Entrance.

If you experience any radio/audio-visual issue, please **IMMEDIATELY** call or text Peter Hudy @ 5179276682 so that the issue can be addressed as soon as possible.

WELCOME HOME!

IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters: Ottawa Entrance: **Mary Beth Pifer**
Capitol Entrance: **Sue Strait**

Announcer: **David Stinson**
Studio Engineer: **Mike Cooper**
Videographer: **Mike Garcia**
Head Usher: **Edie Robinson**
Coffee Hour: **Elaine Brown, Nancy Dibble,
Mike Garcia, Loraine Metzger**

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor: **Rev. Mark Thompson**
Assistant Pastor: **Rev. W. J. (Bill)
Amundsen**

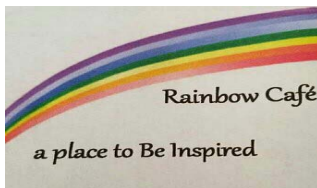
Administrative Secretary: **Pat Mort**
Financial Secretary: **Stephanie Rave**
Webmaster: **Renee Hall**
Central Journal Editor: **Pastor Mark**

Music Ministries and
Worship Arts Director: **Caryn Welter**
Chancel Choir Director: **Alison Geesey**
Bell Choir Director: **Janet Geissler**

Section Leaders:

Soprano	Jenn Giustino
Alto	Anna Poco
Tenor	Jarod Moyer
Bass	Cody Harrell

Facilities Manager: **Bruce Newton**
Custodian: **Jack Neller**
Building Attendants: **Jeremy Brown,
Anthony Moran**



SO . . . WHAT IS LANSING RAINBOW CAFÉ?

We are a safe and affirming gathering of people who identify as LGBTQ and their Allies. In a casual setting, our goal is to **inspire** fulfilling lives through connection, fellowship and presentations.

Celebrating Our 55th Year of Radio Broadcasts



Central's Radio Ministry

We hear stories frequently from many folks who say that Central's Radio Broadcast is:

- A blessing* to those who are not able to attend.
- A witness* to the community.
- A comfort* to those who are honored.
- A privilege* to carry on the tradition.

You are invited to participate individually or by partnering with others. Contact Pat Mort for available dates and indicate who is being honored.

The cost is \$250 per week.

*Available Sundays through May are
April 29, May 20*

Loving Care

for infants and preschoolers
every Sunday in our Nursery
directly below the Sanctuary.

Children's Church

welcomes kids ages 4-11 to the
Rainbow Room
across from the nursery
after the Children's Sermon.

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Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times

A new 6-wk DVD study by Adam Hamilton
Meeting Sundays after church!

Led by Pastor Mark

10:45am in the

Good Book Room, off
Fellowship Hall

Fellowship on the Journey

Pre-worship coffee and refreshments are available in the Library. Please gather with us today **after worship** in the Fellowship Hall, by the Capitol St entrance, for refreshments and fellowship.

Thinking of refreshments, can you bring some for future Sundays? Sign up to bring a dozen or two cookies (homemade or store bought) on the list on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

"Open Basketball" recreational adventure is right after worship and open to all for fun and exercise! Join just to shoot baskets.

Wish to become a member of Central UMC?

It's a great way to enhance your walk with God. Make your request known to Pastor Mark by noting it on the Comment Card in your bulletin.

Vespers Class meets Sundays here at Central from 5:30 – 7pm. All are welcome to join us. We are beginning Days of Awe and Wonder: How to be a Christian in the 21st Century by Marcus Borg. Books are available from Rev. Bill Amundsen.

Are you, or someone in your household, graduating this year from high school, college, technical or trade school? Please let the office know for inclusion in our June 10 Graduation Sunday bulletin. Thank you.



Order of Worship to the Glory of God

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Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

Summons to Worship *Janet Geissler, carillonneur*

Voluntary “God Will Take Care of You” arranged by Phillip Keveren
Caryn Welter, organist

Welcome *Pastor Mark Thompson*

*Choral Call to Worship “O How He Loves You and Me” Kurt Kaiser
Chancel Choir

*Opening Hymn “Thine Be the Glory” red book # 308

*Prayer *Nancy O’Shea, liturgist*

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God;
and that is what we are.

Let us pray:

God of unconditional love,

we praise you with our voices, for we are your children, children of love.

Remind us that we are in your family.

Remind us that we are family with others in Christ.

Remind us that we are family with all of creation. Amen.

Scripture 1 John 3: 1-3

Anthem “Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord” Paul Baloche
Chancel Choir

Time for the Young at Heart “YOU’re Family” Caryn Welter

Making the Connection *Take this opportunity to fill out your connection card with prayer requests, contact information, desire for information, areas of ministry you are interested in. They will be prayed for by the pastor this afternoon.*

The Church at Prayer

Prayer Hymn “He Touched Me” red book # 367
Pastoral Prayer
“The Lord’s Prayer” red book # 271
Jarod Moyer, song leader, will sing vs. 1-5; congregants will join for v. 6

*Gospel Reading Luke 24: 36b-48

Sermon “You’re Family” *Pastor Mark*

Offering

Offertory “The Day of Resurrection” arr. By John Carter
Organist

*Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” red book # 94

*Prayer of Dedication

We breathe in your love, God. It is our substance for hope and peace.

We give so that others might experience such hope and peace through our ministry and the ministry of The United Methodist Church. **Amen.**

*Closing Hymn “Christ Is Alive” red book # 318

Benediction

You are invited to be seated for the Postlude.

Postlude “Voluntary on ‘Fanfare’ (Variations on Old 100th) Mark Thewes

We are committed to living out our Core Values

Do justice, love kindness, walk humbly with God

Love God, with all our heart, mind and soul,
and our neighbors as ourselves

Treasure and support learning and growing in faith

Do our best to live out the healing work of Jesus
in this broken world

Be thankful in all things

Welcome everyone

Treat everyone with respect, kindness and equality

As we live out our Congregational Focus:

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An Easter Series

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