



LANSING CENTRAL
United Methodist Church

The Heart of Christ in the Heart of Lansing

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Downtown for Good!

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

This Week at Central

Sunday – February 10:	
9:30am	Worship/Sanctuary
10:30am	Fellowship Time, Fellowship Hall
10:35am	Finance Committee, 2 nd Floor Lounge
10:45am	Music Committee, 2 nd Floor Conf. Room
5:30pm	Vespers, 2 nd Floor Lounge
Thursday – February 14:	
6:30pm	Spirit Singer Practice
7:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday – February 15:	
7:00am	CUMC Food Drop

New church email addresses:

Pastor Mark: seniorpastor@lansingcentralumc.net
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Music/Worship: musicdirector@lansingcentralumc.net
Pastor Bill: assistantpastor@lansingcentralumc.net
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Central's FAX number is (517) 485-9772
You may email the church office
at adminassistant@lansingcentralumc.net

Pastor Mark's cell phone number is (269) 591-0731
Our website is www.lansingcentralumc.net.

Please use for all church correspondence. Thank you!

A Way Forward...discerning how to deal with same gender issues within the UMC. Bishop David A. Bard invites pastors and laity of The Michigan Conference to Connectional Conversations about the special called session of the General Conference to be held February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, MO. His video on the same subject can be seen at: michiganumc.org/news-stories/2018/11/12/view-connectional-conversation-video/

Radio Ministry Sponsorship:

If you would like to sponsor a Sunday starting February 17th, please contact Delicia in the church office.

Thank you!

Today's Radio Broadcast is being sponsored by **Jean and Larry Beckon**, with a special message; "Valentine Blessings to all".

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 ~

Rotating Prayer List ~ Virginia Cantwell, Vern Kauffman, Anne Mort, Jerry Owens, Doug Lounsbury, Justin Sleight, Murray Brown, Victor Asbury

Our Missionary in Belize ~ Mbwizu Ndjungu

Strength and Healing ~ Dudley Pete, Jr., Fernando Molina, Cindy Bushouse, Diana Keim, Paul Keefer, Bobby J. Hinkle, Linda Towsley, Win Anderson, Hannah Boley, Betty Bosanic, Mike Garcia, Bryan Halter, Barb Lansing, Dakota Miller, Ricardo Muniz, Kay Patrick-Hile, Paul Zimmer, two young men dealing with mental health issues **and** those God knows are on our hearts and minds.



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 on Lansing Comcast channel 16 at 4:00pm on Thursday.

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

If you experience any radio/audio-visual issue, please **IMMEDIATELY** call or text Peter Hudy @ (517) 927-6682, so that the issue can be addressed as soon as possible.


In February, church ladies will convene on Monday, the 25th. If you're interested in attending, please contact Sharon Doering.



IN MINISTRY FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters: Ottawa Entrance: **Elaine & Murray Brown**
 Capitol Entrance: **Jan Kennedy & Mary Ellen Maas**
 Announcer: **Dave Stinson**
 Studio Engineer: **Mike Cooper**
 Videographer: **Mike Garcia**
 Head Usher: **Edie Robinson**
 Coffee Hour: **Leslie Prame Nancy O'Shea**

Liturgist: **Kathy MacLaren**



CUMC Current Pledge Report

2017 68 units @ \$236,000.00
 As of February:
 2019 57 units @ \$199,590.25



OUR CHURCH PAID STAFF

Senior Pastor: **Rev. Mark Thompson**
 Assistant Pastor: **Rev. W. J. (Bill) Amundsen**
 Office Manager: **Delicia Lockhart**
 Financial Secretary: **Betsy Mauk**
 Webmaster: **Renee Hall**
 Central Journal Editor: **Delicia Lockhart**
 Music Ministries and
 Worship Arts Director: **Caryn Welter**
 Chancel Choir Director: **Alison Geesey**
 Soprano: Anna Poco
 Alto: Colleen McNickle
 Tenor: David Miechiels
 Bass: Cody Harrell

Bell Choir Director: **Janet Geissler**
 Facilities Manager: **Bruce Newton**
 Custodian: **Jack Neller**
 Building Attendants: **Cameron Brown Ross Evoy**

DAY-TRIPPERS... Have you made your reservation for February 20th for a fun, wintry day with Day Trippers? Tickets, \$25.00 each, are on sale during coffee hour.

Jack Neller will have his model trains set up and running for us to enjoy, Dan Feighner will tell stories, Party Planners Caterers will serve lunch and afterwards a DVD will let us enjoy Hawaii on a February day. We are looking forward to having you join us!



GREETERS:

If you're interested in serving as a greeter, please contact Mary Ellen Maas, who has agreed to organize this ministry over the next year.

Thank you, Mary!

Vespers Class
 Sundays, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
 Our fall study is "Biblical Literalism: a Gentile Heresy" by Bishop John Shelby Spong.
 Our facilitators are Paul and Jamie Zimmer.
 Please contact them to order your book.

In Remembrance
(gifts that the church has been given):

Sheer curtains in 2nd floor lounge in memory of Freda Hewitt

Thank you to the donors who make generous and useful memorials and gifts to Central

Central's Circle meets on the third Monday of each month. In February, this falls on the 18th. Should you have any questions, please contact Edie Robinson.

Order of Worship to the Glory of God

Central United Methodist Church 215 N. Capitol Ave. Lansing Michigan
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany
Black History Month
UMC Scouting Sunday
February 10, 2019

Prelude "Largo" Vivaldi / Bish
Caryn Welter, organist

Welcome *Rev. Mark Thompson*

***Call to Worship** *Kathy MacLaren*

***Opening Hymn** "Jesus, We Are Here" black book, # 2273
(Repeat of each verse will be sung by an ensemble in its original, African voice.)

***Greeting**
Come to Christ, that living stone,
rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.
**We have responded to Christ's call,
and seek to be built into a spiritual house,
a living reminder of God's presence on earth.**

Once we were no people, but now we are God's people,
called out of the darkness into God's marvelous light.

Therefore we sing with the Church in all ages:

Blessed be your name, O God, our Redeemer.

**By your mercy we have been born anew to a living hope,
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

(Ruth Duck, U.S.A., 20th cent.)

Recognition of Scouting Ministry in the United Methodist Church

O God, your will is that all your children should grow into fullness of life.
We lift to you the ministry of scouting.

We offer you thanks for camping,
to teach us that the world is our great home;
for study and work, to build character;
for service, to see our responsibility to those in need;
for encouragement in genuine patriotism and vital faith.

**Bless the work of scouting, in the UMC and around the world,
that, through its efforts, the young may, like our Lord,
increase in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with you and all people.
Amen.**

Anthem "Be Not Afraid" Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir

Young People's Time *Pastor Thompson*

Time of Connecting *Take this opportunity to fill out your connection card with prayer requests, contact information (including last name), desire for information, and areas of ministry you are interested in. They will be prayed for by the pastor this afternoon.*

Prayers of the Congregation
Prayer Hymn "Take my Life, and Let it Be Consecrated" black book, # 399
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Preparation "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"
(Congregants may sing in native tongue.)
red book, # 344

Sermon "We're In This Together" *Pastor Thompson*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory “You Are My All In All” arranged by Medema

Caryn Welter, pianist

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

Prayer of Dedication

O God of peace, open unto me peace for my turmoil,

Joy for my sorrow, strength for my weakness.

O generous God, open my heart to receive all your gifts.

Amen.

*Closing Hymn “Jesus Calls Us “ red book, # 398

Please be seated for the Benediction and Postlude.

Benediction

Serve your God with patience and passion.

Be deliberate in enacting your faith.

Be steadfast in celebrating the Spirit’s power.

May peace be your way in the world. Amen.

Postlude “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” arr. Wyrzten

Caryn Welter



“We’re in This Together”

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