



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 – June 9:	
9:00am	Coffee Fellowship, Library
9:30am	Worship, Sanctuary
10:30am	Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
9:30am	Rainbow Café, Chapel & Shalom Center
10:45am	Music Committee, 2 nd Floor Lounge
Monday – June 10:	
6:30pm	Rainbow Café, 1 st Floor Lounge
Tuesday – June 11:	
11:00am	Rainbow Café, Chapel & Shalom Center
6:00pm	Trustee Meeting, 2 nd Floor Lounge
Thursday – June 13:	
4:00pm	Rainbow Café, Chapel & Shalom Center

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

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

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. 😊 😊

LOOKING AHEAD:
Starting on September 1st, worship at Central UMC will begin at 10:00am. This is in response to many years of congregational requests that we begin later on Sunday mornings.

Today's Radio Broadcast is being sponsored by:
Benedict Radio

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayers are asked for the following ~

Rotating Prayer List ~ Joanne & Ken Harvey, Lois Jenkins, Roger Paterson

Our Missionary in Belize ~ Mbwizu Ndjungu

Our Missionary in Morelia, Mexico ~ Ericka Fitzgerald

Strength and Healing ~ Holly LaPratt, Carolyn Martin, Bob Rutterman, Kathleen O'Connor, Fernando Molina, Cindy Bushouse, Paul Keefer, Bobby J. Hinkle, Linda Towsley, Hannah Boley, Betty Bosanic, Mike Garcia, Bryan Halter, Barb Lansing, Dakota Miller, Ricardo Muniz, Tyler Sontag, Paul Zimmer, those dealing with mental health issues **and** those God knows are on our hearts and minds.

Preaching Series in June

We welcome these preachers to the pulpit of Central UMC.

June 16 - Constance Schroeder

June 23 - and 30 Pastor Mark Thompson

Pastor Mark will be at Annual Conference June 2nd, preaching at Court St. UMC, Flint June 9, and at Camp Beloved June 16.

Let's pray for each other as we hear God's word and experience God's blessing in the coming month.

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Summer Walking at Central:

Every Wednesday, from 11am-12pm – Walking the Central gym to Christian music.

Please see Michael Robbins for details.
 Everyone is welcome!

Now is the Time to save up your coins for our **Summertime "Noisy Sunday" Offering July 14!** Your small change helps us help others who occasionally come to our pastor hoping to receive some relief from their emergency Financial Need.

If you'd like to sing or play an instrument as part of our summer music program, please let us hear from you at your earliest convenience. You can email bcaryn@aol.com or call (517) 285-0140. Too, we'll be enjoying some summer hymn sings at the beginnings of worship. Feel free to leave messages about those. Last, but not least, let us know if you're willing to sing or play in an ensemble.

IN MINISTRY FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters: Ottawa: Murray and Elaine Brown
Capitol: Mary Ellen Maas
Announcer: Bill Tennant
Studio Engineer: Bill Tennant
Videographer: Mike Garcia
Head Usher: Edie Robinson
Coffee Hour:
Liturgist: Joey Houston

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor: Rev. Mark Thompson
Assistant Pastor: Rev. Bill Amundsen
Office Administrator: Open
Financial Secretary: Betsy Mauk
Webmaster: Renee Hall
Central Journal Editor: Open
Music Ministries and
Worship Arts Director: Caryn Welter
Chancel Choir Director: Jack Rifkin
Soprano: Claire Kaiser
Alto: OPEN
Tenor: David Miechiels
Bass: Cody Harrell
Bell Choir Director: Janet Geissler
Facilities Manager: Paul Walker
Custodian: Michael Fox
Building Attendants: Fisher Welch

I'm looking for 3 Backyard Potluck Picnic Hosts

for June, July and August!

If you would like to offer your backyard or other location, please contact
Joi (989-224-8159).

You might like to share the work by forming a team!

Summertime "Bonding" Fun, Food and Fellowship



Central UMC Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, Uncle, Aunt **HUGS** given to LGBTQIA+ persons at Gay Pride, this Saturday! Come and offer unconditional love to those who may have been rejected by others.

Spiritual journey enhancement:

- Small groups: **Vespers, Spring Walking, Guys Lunch Out, UMW Circles** others to come... see and watch the Central Journal and this weekly page
- Daily Devotional Upper Room, free at the front desk
- Multiple resources available on line...

It's up to you to grow in Christ as we move on to perfection in love!



Michigan Conference
The United Methodist Church

Michigan Annual Conference meeting was held May 31 – June 2.

Central UMC Delegates are Pat Bell and Pat Mort. Denny Stoneman is a District Equalization Delegate. Pastor's Mark, Bill, Ellen, and Russell attended as clergy delegates. Vitaly important issues were discussed and voted on such as ordination of clergy, direction of the Michigan Conference in the wake of General Conference 2019, missional causes, and much more.

A report from our delegates and other in attendance will be forthcoming. You can read Bishop Bard's report on the Michigan Conference web page: michiganumc.org/news-stories/2019/06/04/unfinished-business-from-ac-2019/

Radio/Video ministry in dire need of helpers.

The Radio/Video team is in desperate need of some new members willing to help out on Sunday mornings. We feel that it's important to continue these great outreach programs that help spread the word from downtown Lansing. But unless we receive some additional help, these broadcasts will have to be canceled!

There are 3 areas where help is needed: 1) Videotaping the worship service; 2) Engineering the service and radio feed; 3) Announcing the radio broadcast. Training is offered. Come to the balcony any Sunday morning to observe and discern if this is a ministry that you are called to do. Volunteers are scheduled one or two Sunday's a month.

Contact Bill Tennant at: wetennant@gmail.com or by phone at: 517-712-7341. We need and would love to have you on board to secure the future of this vital ministry.

SAVE THE DATE:

June 23rd, Engaging Worship is at
10:45am
2nd Floor Lounge



**Shower
OF Stoles
PROJECT**

You are invited to examine the array of beautiful stoles that are described and placed this morning during the Welcome time. The display is also in Sabina Chapel and the Shalom Center by the Fellowship Hall. They will remain on display through June 24. More at welcomingresources.org/sosp.htm

Order of Worship to the Glory of God

Central United Methodist Church, 215 N. Capitol Ave. Lansing Michigan
Pentecost Sunday; June 9, 2019

Voluntary “Meditation on Prelude No. 1” of J. S. Bach - Charles Gounod
Janet Geissler, flutist; Caryn Welter, pianist

Welcome / Celebrating Pride Week *Rev. Dr. Russell McReynolds /
Denny Stoneman*

***Opening Hymn** “O Spirit of the Living God” red book, # 539

***Prayer** *Joe Huston, liturgist*

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing
new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty.

**We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us
whole.**

Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, that
we may know the joy you give to all of creation.

Amen. Alleluia. (Ruth Duck)

Instrumental Anthem “Holy, Holy, Holy” John Dykes; arr. Douglas Court
Flute and Piano

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.*

Prayers of the Congregation

Prayer Hymn “Surely the Presence of the Lord” red book, # 328

Pastoral Prayer

“The Lord’s Prayer” red book, # 271

Scriptures

Acts 2: 1-12

Response “Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us” red book, # 331, v. 1

***Gospel John 14: 8-17**

The Word of God for the people of God; **thanks be to God.**

Sermon **“What Does This Mean?”** *Dr. McReynolds*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory “June” (*The Seasons*) Peter Tchaikovsky, Op. 37, No. 6
Geissler / Welter

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

Prayer of Dedication *Pastor and People*

**God of wind, word, and fire, we bless your name this day for sending
the light and strength of your Holy Spirit.**

**We give you thanks for all the gifts, great and small, that you have
poured out upon your children.**

**Accept us with our gifts to be living praise and witness to your
love throughout all the earth; through Jesus Christ, who lives with
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever. Amen.**

*** Closing Hymn** “Where the Spirit of the Lord Is” black book, # 2119

You are invited to be seated for the Benediction and Postlude.

Benediction “May You Run and Not Be Weary” black book, # 2281
Congregation

Postlude “Loving Spirit” Emma Lou Diemer

Caryn Welter

Philip said, “Master, show us the Father; then we’ll be content.”

“You’ve been with me all this time, Philip, and you still don’t understand? To see me is to see the Father. So how can you ask, ‘Where is the Father?’ Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you aren’t mere words. I don’t just make them up on my own. The Father who resides in me crafts each word into a divine act.

“Believe me: I am in my Father and my Father is in me. If you can’t believe that, believe what you see—these works. The person who trusts me will not only do what I’m doing but even greater things, because I, on my way to the Father, am giving you the same work to do that I’ve been doing. You can count on it. From now on, whatever you request along the lines of who I am and what I am doing, I’ll do it. That’s how the Father will be seen for who he is in the Son. I mean it. Whatever you request in this way, I’ll do.

“If you love me, show it by doing what I’ve told you. I will talk to the Father, and he’ll provide you another Friend so that you will always have someone with you. This Friend is the Spirit of Truth. The godless world can’t take him in because it doesn’t have eyes to see him, doesn’t know what to look for. But you know him already because he has been staying with you, and will even be in you!

John 14:8-27 The Message (MSG)

*indicates that the congregation will stand as able and willing.

Bold type indicates that the congregation will speak with the liturgist.



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Pentecost Sunday

