

Lord’s Day Celebration

Sunday, March 23, 2014

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Classic Worship

Third Sunday in Lent

Sounding of the Chimes		
Greeting		
Prelude	<i>All Glory, Laud and Honor</i>	arr. Miller
Choral Introit	<i>O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	arr. Kingsmore
* Call to Worship	Psalm 5:11 Leader: Let all who take refuge in You celebrate. Let them sing out loud forever. People: Protect them so that all who love Your name can rejoice in you.	
* Hymn #363	<i>And Can It Be that I Should Gain</i>	SAGINAW
* Lenten Prayer	Everlasting God, because of your tender mercy toward all people, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience and also be partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
* Gloria Patri	<i>Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.</i>	
Infant Baptism (11:00)	Jax Joseph & Ellyn Beth Geopfert	
Children’s Moment	(children come forward during Gloria Patri)	
Special Music	<i>To Calvary</i> Sanctuary Choir; Amy Goodnow, cello; Jonathan Story, piano	Koerts
* Prayer for Illumination	O God, out of your loving kindness you have given us the Scriptures, that in their testimony we may discover your way. By the power of your Holy Spirit overcome all obstacles we put in front of you, as we seek to protect ourselves from a divine goodness we find uncomfortable. Remove from us all sense of threat, and in its place put love. For your perfect love casts out all fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
* Old Testament Reading	Exodus 3:1-15	
Silent Prayer		
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer		
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.		
Choral Response	<i>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</i>	Hassler/Bach

Offertory	<i>How Great Thou Art</i> Jisook Kwon, vocalist; Jonathan Story, piano	Hine
* Doxology	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i>	Hymnal Pg. 95
Seventh in a Series on The Hard Teachings of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew		
* Sermon Text	Matthew 16:24-26 (Common English Bible) This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	To Win You Must Lose	Dr. Steve Pulliam
* Invitation to Christian Discipleship and Church Membership		
Those who wish to become members of Central United Methodist Church are invited to come forward during the closing hymn. Please fill out the “How to Join” card found in the pew and hand it to a pastor.		
* Hymn #384	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	BEECHER
* Reception of New Members		
We rejoice to recognize you as a part of Christ’s body, and we welcome you into the membership of the Central United Methodist Church family. As members together with you, we renew our vows to uphold Christ’s work by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.		
* Benediction		
* Postlude	<i>Lift High the Cross</i> *Please stand as you are able	arr. Jordan

Central’s Pastors:
Dr. John Robbins, Dr. Steve Pulliam,
Rev. Carl Palmer, Rev. Jody Farrell, Rev. Emily Burch - College Pastor
Dr. Jack Wilson, Pastor Emeritus

Director of Classic Music & Worship: Fenner Russell

Organists/Pianists:
Jonathan Story, Marci Milus

Sound/Video: Jeremy Morris

Acolytes:
Anna Grace Farrell, Max Dawson (8:30)
Spencer Cullins, Elizabeth Durrett (11:00)

Remember...due to the Spring Break holiday, there will be no CentralPoint this Wednesday, March 26th. CentralPoint will resume the following week.

Central is providing a new worship opportunity each Wednesday. **Mid-Week Meditation** is a 30-minute worship service held at 12:05 p.m. each Wednesday in the Wesley Chapel. It is a great opportunity for all those who want an encounter with God during the middle of the week. No registration is necessary.

A **Charge Conference** has been called for next Sunday, March 30, at 12:15 p.m., in the Wesley Chapel. The purpose of the conference is to consider a resolution that provides for the joining of the UA Wesley Foundation to Central UMC and the transfer of all assets to Central effective June 30, 2014. All members of the Church Council are asked to attend. Visitors are welcome.

Save the date! Join us as we take the Love of Jesus... **Beyond Our Walls** on Saturday, April 12th, from 8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Projects will take approximately 2 to 3 hours and are planned in advance. Childcare is provided for children five and under. For more information, contact Glenn Miller at 479-799-7797.

All women of the church are invited to attend the United Methodist Women’s **“Fun-Raising” Spring Luncheon** on Saturday, April 12th, beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Great Hall. Decorated tables, speakers, music, and lunch - all to benefit Child Sponsorships in Uganda and India. Make your reservation at centraltolife.com/register.

Tickets go on sale next week for special guest speaker, **Bishop Will Willimon**, the former Dean of Chapel at Duke University and one of the greatest theologians and most influential pastors of the 20th Century. The event will take place on Wednesday, April 23rd, at 6:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased in the church office during office hours, or online at centraltolife.com/register. Dinner is included and childcare will be available for children five and under with a reservation. Seating is limited, so get your tickets soon!

Shopping online? There’s a creative new way to provide micro-donations to our church whenever you shop online. There is no cost to you. Simply go to www.umcmarket.org, register, select Central Fayetteville as your donation recipient, and shop! If you have any questions about this, contact Brooke Hunsaker at bhunsaker@centraltolife.com or 442-1801.

The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Joe Fred Starr by his family.



Welcome to Central! If you are visiting today, we are very pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. It is our joy to have you here. Please fill out this information card and place it in the offering plate.

For parents with small children in the service, children’s bulletins are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

If small children become restless or someone needs to leave the Sanctuary, the service can be heard in the parlor through a speaker.

Please let us know if we can assist you in any way!

Name(s)

Address

Phone

Email

_____ **First Time Guest**

_____ **Frequent Guest**

Service Attended (check one)

_____ 8:30 a.m. _____ 11:00 a.m.

Age ____ 13-17 ____ 18-24 ____ 25-29
 ____ 30-39 ____ 40-49 ____ 50+
 ____ Undergrad ____ Grad Student

I would like more information about:

- _____ Joining Central UMC
- _____ Becoming a Christian
- _____ Other

Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 23

- 8:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 8:15 Contemporary Worship Team Rehearsal (Great Hall)
- 8:30 Classic Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)
- 9:40 Sunday School
- 9:45 Contemporary Worship Celebration (Great Hall)
- 10:35 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 11:00 Classic Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 Contemporary Worship Celebration (Great Hall)
- 12:00 College Mission Trip Departure (Parking Lot)
- 5:30 Ozark Bronze (Ed Bldg 109)

Monday, March 24

- 5:00 TOPS (Wesley 304)
- 5:30 Jubellation! (Ed. Bldg. 109)

Tuesday, March 25

- 6:30 Men’s Small Group (Wesley 310)
- 9:00 Worship Team Meeting (Wesley 303)
- 11:30 Community Meals (Great Hall)
- 5:00 Intention Teaching Workshop (SMB Worship Center)
- 6:00 Augustine Easter Feed Planning Meeting (CAC 3)

Wednesday, March 26

No CentralPoint Classes Meet due to Spring Break

- 10:30 Senior Saints Choir (Wesley 102)
- 12:05 Mid-Week Meditation (Wesley Chapel)
- 6:30 Contemporary Worship Team Rehearsal (Great Hall)
- 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, March 27

- 10:00 Community Meals Bible Study (CAC Siderooms 1-2)
- 11:30 Community Meals (Great Hall)
- 2:30 Children’s Ministry Prayer Gathering (Wesley 107)
- 5:30 Celebrate Recovery (Wesley Chapel)

Friday, March 28

- 4:00 College Mission Trip Returns

Saturday, March 29

- 2:00 Goss Memorial (Sanctuary)
- 3:00 Chicago Mission Team Returns (Parking Lot)

Infant Baptism

Travis and Nicole Geopfert will present their infant son, **Jax Joseph Geopfert**, and their infant daughter, **Ellyn Beth Geopfert**, in Christian Baptism at the 11:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary this Sunday, March 23, 2014. Jones is the big brother.

Prayer Concerns

Nancy Dodson, Betty Christensen, Scott Huddleston, Jerry Hughey, Jennifer Jones, Hugh Kincaid, Gus Roten, and Gene Staggs.

Sympathy to...

The family of Mrs. Emmie L. Anderson who died on March 15, 2014. Mrs. Anderson joined Central United Methodist in October 1967.

For after-hours emergencies, please call 479-442-4237 and then select option 5.