

8:30 Service

(This service is held in the Garden Room on the lower level and is led without a printed order)

BAND: Terry Raymond, Keyboard
Ben Oakes, Bass
WORSHIP LEADER: Patti Wright

Bruce Bartley, Drums
Billy Jines, Guitar
SPECIAL MUSIC: Melissa Counts

Order of Worship for 10:30 Service

WE GATHER

MUSIC FOR GATHERING "Give Me Your Eyes" by Brandon Heath
Large print bulletins and hymnals (red cover) as well as FM receivers are available from an usher to help everyone be a part of worship in the fullest way possible. If you want to share a prayer request, take a card from the pew rack, fill it out and during the prayer hymn hold it up for the usher to collect. *Please stand as you are able at asterisk.

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

Welcome, Announcements, Joys, and Concerns Pastor

MUSIC FOR CENTERING ON GOD

"Above All" – Leblanc Carolyn Howard, Organist

*GATHERING WORDS

Mary J. Scifres Responsive

Leader: Celebrate and rejoice. We are the forgiven family of God!

People: Praise God, who loves us so!

Leader: Celebrate and rejoice. We are the beloved children of God!

People: Praise God, who loves us so!

Leader: Celebrate and rejoice. We are the renewed people of God!

People: Praise God, who loves us so!

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*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 140

THE GIFTS OF AND FOR OUR YOUNGER CHURCH

Connie Romain

Children are invited to the chancel for this time. Following it, children through 5th grade may leave with Nancy Reid for Kid's Club.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM "Lamb of God" - Twila Paris Chancel Choir

"Prodigal Willy" Amy Francis, Andrew Pfender, Tyler White, Suzy Daugherty

LENTEN WREATH READING AND SCRIPTURE

Lenten Candle Reading Beth and Lupita Hatt

Hymn "My Tribute" No. 99

Scripture Reading Psalm 32 (p. 491 OT) Larry Meritt, Liturgist

Hymn "My Tribute" No. 99

SERMON

"God Says, Welcome Home"

Pastor

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer of Confession by Mary J. Scifres Unison

Loving Father, Gentle Mother, hold us in the arms of your forgiveness and grace. When we run from you or abandon your guiding light, welcome us back with mercy. When we squander your gifts or reject your generosity, love us into right living. When we hide from our shame or mask our guilt, coax us into the light of your abundant love. Hear our prayers, dear Lord. Be our hiding place of hope and joy, that we might say with the psalmist, "Happy are those who are forgiven!" Amen.

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Pardon Pastor

Prayer Hymn "Softly and Tenderly" - stanzas 1, 2 & 4 No. 348

You may bring prayer card to Prayer Request Box and/or come to altar to pray.

Silent Prayer

Morning Prayer Mike Warneke

Lord's Prayer Unison

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.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

The Invitation Pastor

The Offertory "Behold, the Man" John Carter

*The Doxology No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication Pastor

WE ARE SENT FORTH INTO GOD'S WORLD

*SENDING HYMN "Freely, Freely" No. 389

*BENEDICTION Pastor

POSTLUDE Organ

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We welcome all to worship today. If you are a visitor, we invite you to stop by our Visitors Welcome Station.

Access & Parking: Our elevator is at the west entrance; handicapped parking is nearby off Franklin St. Other parking is across Mary St. from the church, around the Family Life Center and at Edgar & Michigan Sts. We may also use Deaconess Hospital and Berry Plastics' lots.

Nametags help members and visitors. Wear yours each Sunday; then leave it on a rack for next Sunday. If you need one, notify the church office.

Have you remembered Central in your will? Bequests show ultimate caring. You may designate your gift as you wish. Undesignated bequests go half to Endowment (earnings of which support building maintenance & local missions) and half to fund major needs.

2010 CHURCH GOALS: Radical Hospitality Passionate Worship Extravagant Generosity
Intentional Faith-Development Risk-Taking Mission and Service

Central United Methodist Church March 14, 2010



“You are a hiding place for me; you
preserve me from trouble..”

Psalm 32:7

THE SHELTER OF THE LORD

Fourth Sunday of Lent