

THE SERVANT SONG

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey; we're together on this road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Welcome

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Central is a family church, with generations of families making their home here. Central is also a mission-oriented church, sharing the love and good news of the gospel with one another, our neighborhood, our community, and the world, as you will see throughout our ministries, events, and announcements for this week. We would love to be your church home. If you are here just for the day, we pray God's blessings on your journey!

GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Choice of Traditional or Casual

Sunday School: (Classes for all ages) 10:45 a.m.

Chancel Choir: Wednesday 6:15 p.m. - Choir Room

Hand Bell Choir: Wednesday 7:30 p.m. - Hand Bell Room

Youth: Sunday 4:00 p.m. - Youth Room

Prayer: Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Emmaus Prayer Group - Parlor

Quilting: Thursday 9:00 a.m. - FaHoLo Room

NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES THIS WEEK

Food Pantry: Monday & Thursday 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Rack Shack: (used items/clothes) Monday & Thursday 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Power Basketball: (Jr. High Age) Thursday 3:30-5:30 p.m.

MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS *OCTOBER 9-15*

Sunday	11:30 a.m. E-vent Group Leaders Meeting – Library
Monday	10:00 a.m. Church Staff Meeting – Church Office 5:00 p.m. Young Adult Small Group – Trinity Room
Tuesday	12:00 p.m. US Class Banquet – Garden Room 5:10 p.m. E-vent Team Meeting – Church Office 6:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting – Trinity Room
Wednesday	1:00 p.m. Mary-Martha Circle – Nolte Room 5:00 p.m. Young Adult Small Group – Trinity Room 6:00 p.m. Unbinding Your Heart Study – Library
Thursday	7:30 a.m. JACC – Nolte Room 6:15 p.m. Unbinding Your Heart Study – Library
Saturday	8:00 p.m. N. A. Meeting – Trinity Room



DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

Susan Edminson Donna Hillyard Elveda Beal

PRAY FOR OUR NEW CHURCH CLUSTER

Central, Fairlawn, Howell, St. James West, St. John’s,
Salem, Simpson and Trinity UMC

Attendance October 2	N/A
Budget Envelope Giving Last Week	\$6,215
Needed Weekly	\$6,438
Giving Year-To-Date	\$243,275
Needed Year-to-Date	\$257,520

Our sympathy goes out to family and friends on the death of Jim Fowler last Sunday. His funeral was on Thursday. Jim was an active member of Trinity UMC, a community leader (Habitat, among others) and a United Methodist Church leader in the Conference and this district. He had been an avid supporter and volunteer for Santa Claus Campground and the United Methodist Youth Home.

Our sympathy also goes out to the friends of Joy Lee Mundy who passed away Thursday, September 29. Her funeral was October 3, with burial in Locust Hill Cemetery.

ALTAR FLOWERS were given this week in celebration of the US Class’ 69th Anniversary.

E-VENT GROUP LEADERS MEET 11:30 TODAY

We thank all who have agreed to lead an Unbinding Your Heart group. All the leaders are invited to attend a short meeting today at 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor. It will provide additional information and support for these leaders.

CENTRAL STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

October 24-28 has been designated as Central Staff Appreciation Week. Central is blessed to have staff that is so dedicated to God and our church. Please join the SPRC in extending our appreciation to each of them during that time. Whether you choose to send cards, notes, or provide treats; the gestures will be much appreciated by these amazing servants of Christ. A complete listing of the staff is outlined on the back of the bulletin.

CROP HUNGER WALK - NOVEMBER 5

The 39th annual CROP Hunger Walk will be held Saturday, November 5. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. at Eastside Christian Church, 2001 Bayard Park Dr. and the walk begins at 10:00 a.m. If you are interested in walking and/or helping to raise money for hunger relief, please contact Pastor Joe.

YOU CAN STILL SIGN UP FOR THE E-VENT

Our all-church E-vent is starting. You will want to be in on the positive change it can make in us as individuals and as Central Church. During this 6 week E-vent (October 10-November 20) we hope everyone will read and study Unbinding Your Heart, use it 40-Day Prayer Journal, join a small group studying the book and attend worship October 16 thru November 20, when we will focus on the book’s themes. On those 6 Sundays, our children’s and youth classes along with most adult classes will be studying the material, and they invite visitors to join for those Sundays. Today is the day to read Chapter One and begin the Prayer Journal. Some additional small groups have been created as well for those who prefer a time other than Sunday; those groups begin meeting this week and participants should have already have read Chapter One and begun the Prayer Journal. If you haven’t, please sign up and get your book today in the Parlor.

TAKING SABBATH DURING THE E-VENT

The church has declared the 6 weeks of our E-vent as a “Sabbath.” During this time we want to step aside from our normal church “work” and take a rest from meeting and programs to focus on listening for God. After the Church Council meeting October 11, we are asking all church committees and teams to postpone meetings until November 20, so we can concentrate on “being” instead of “doing” and give ourselves to this 40-day journey.

2012 TIME, TALENT, TREASURE COMMITMENTS

If you have not already done so, you are invited to complete and return a “2012 Join a Team” form and a “2012 Commitment Card” this morning. This shows how you want to share your time, talent and treasure with God through Central UMC in the coming year. You are invited to bring these forward at the prayer time and leave them there. (You may remain at the railing during the prayer, if you would like.) If you prefer, you may also place them in the plate at the time of the offering. Doing this now helps our church prepare well for the next year.

FALL FAMILY FUN DAY – OCTOBER 30

There is fun for all ages at the Fall Family Fun Day! We will travel to the Harris Ranch in Boonville for an afternoon of fellowship and relaxation. This annual event is a favorite of many and will run from about 4:30 p.m. until the last hayride. We will roast hot dogs over an open fire, toast marshmallows for s’mores, and sip hot chocolate and warm apple cider. There will be a hayride for all brave souls (through the “haunted” cemetery), in addition to a family hayride and games for the kids. This is a wonderful event for all ages!! The cost is \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per family. Please call or e-mail Nancy in the church office to register your attendance.