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MISSION STATEMENT
 Making disciples of
 Jesus Christ
 for the transformation
 of the world.

VISION STATEMENT
 We are a Christ-centered,
 scripturally grounded
 community, growing in
 loving relationship with God,
 our local children and
 community, and our world.

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
March 31, 2024

**THE THRILL OF VICTORY,
 THE AGONY OF DEFEAT**

GROWING.
LOVING.
RELATING.
WELCOME

Worship Order – 9:15 a.m.

March 31, 2024
Easter Sunday
“The Thrill of Victory, The
Agony of Defeat”
1 Corinthians 15.1-11

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connection Card to place in the offering plate.

CENTERING MUSIC

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Central Church Breakthrough Prayer 2024

All: Lord God, we pray that you would lead us into the future
that you have for us; Expand our vision to
see what you see,

Increase our compassion to love who you love,
Open our ears so that we may hear you
speaking to us.

Make us open to your work,
Your leading,
Your open doors,
Your new opportunities.

May we be bold enough to obey your word
and follow you always. Amen.

*HYMN

“Lift High the Cross”

No. 159

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Gracie Schmidt

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

No. 95

**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**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

ANTHEM

Hosanna! Loud Hosanna!

by Lois Myers Emig

MESSAGE

“The Thrill of Victory, The Agony of Defeat”
1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Pastor Dewey Miller

*HYMN

“Because He Lives”

No. 364

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Stand as you are able

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY

SUNDAY, March 31
Easter Sunday

8:45 a.m.	Choir Practice	Choir Room
9:15 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary/Online
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Classrooms
11:00 a.m.	Event	Garden Room
4:00 p.m.	Youth Group	FLC

TUESDAY, April 2

5:30 p.m.	Zumba	FLC
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THURSDAY, April 4

5:30 p.m.	Zumba	FLC
6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice	Choir Room

FRIDAY, April 5

5:00 p.m.	Organic Produce Club Pot Luck	Garden Room
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SATURDAY, April 6

8:00 p.m.	N.A. Meeting	Garden Room/FLC
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SUNDAY, April 7

Communion

8:45 a.m.	Choir Practice	Choir Room
9:15 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary/Online
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Classrooms
4:00 p.m.	Youth Group	FLC



Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment News

Since last Fall, CAJE members have been working on local issues that arose during our listening process. This Spring, there will be two CAJE events - the Rally where CAJE members hear updates on the research and prepare for the Nehemiah Action. The Action will bring forward officials who will be asked to take action on the issues, and this is where CAJE shows our People Power. All Central members are invited to the Rally and Action to be part of the People Power:

Rally - Monday, April 15, 6 pm at Nazarene Missionary Baptist Church, 867 E. Walnut Street. Action - Monday, May 6, 6 pm at St. Benedict Cathedral, 1328 Lincoln Avenue.

The Thrill of Victory, The Agony of Defeat

1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Easter Sunday, 31 March 2024

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

1 Corinthians 15.10

Q- Christians believe in the resurrection of Jesus. What are some other distinctives of the Christian faith? Why is the resurrection important to you?

1. Christ is _____. (vv. 3-4)

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures...

2. The resurrection is _____. (vv. 5-8)

Apologetics- a defense or explanation of a belief, or system of beliefs.

Biblical evidence

Documentary evidence

Logical evidence

Q- Does apologetics serve to strengthen faith, or point out faith's weaknesses?

3. The resurrection _____. (v. 51)

Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed...

4. The resurrection _____. (v. 57)

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Take Away Prayer-

Lord Jesus,

Thank you for your life, for your victory and the hope it gives.

Fill me with that life today, that I might live for you today,

And that I can live with you, for eternity. Amen.

EASTER LILIES 2024

Given by: Steve & Gloria Millay
Honor of: Our grandchildren
Memory of: Bob & Betty Romain, Blake Buse
Given by: Kay Conder
Memory of: Florence Heuring
Given by: Kay Conder
Memory of: Bee & Elmer Conder, Ned Conder, Gay & Don Koch
Given by: Sherry Harvey
Memory of: William J. Harvey
Given by: Linda S. Wambach
Memory of: Jack, Lisa, Charles & Pat
Given by: Ron & Connie Romain
Memory of: Bob, Betty & Bob Romain Jr., Chuck & Virginia Dart
Given by: Bob & Jayne Dillow
Memory of: Vincent & Betty Riedy, Randy Reidy
Given by: Evan, Elise, Thomas & Wesley Lynch
Honor of: Darlene Rycroft
Given by: The Duncan Family
Memory of: George Patton "Pat" Duncan, Peter Pat Duncan, John & Irma Huber, John Earl Huber Jr., Clarence & Kathryn Duncan
Given by: Tom & Joy Halbig
Memory of: Raymond & Gaybell King, Austin & Leona Halbig
Given by: Peggy Huey
Honor of: All 7 Grandchildren
Memory of: Peg & Charles Guard, Aunt Dorothy Bretz

LOAVES AND FISHES 2024

Given by: David & Linda Henzman
Honor of: Our Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren
Given by: Ken & Mary Schreiber
Memory of: Bob & Yankee Davis, Albert & Alta Schreiber
Given by: Terri Pennington
Memory of: Tracy Pennington, Jo Ann Powers
Given by: Ron & Bonnie Hames
Honor of: Our Family
Given by: Bob & Jayne Dillow
Memory of: Russell & Ethel Dillow
Given by: Linda S. Wambach
Memory of: Clarence & Kathryn Duncan, Arnold & Luna Wambach
Given by: Kay Conder
Memory of: Bee & Elmer Conder, Ned Conder, Gay & Don Koch
Given by: Kay Conder
Memory of: Florence Heuring
Given by: Chester & Darlene Rycroft
Memory of: Sophia & Chester Rycroft Sr., Florence & Chester Rycroft Jr., Lillian & Edgar Waitman
Given by: Chester & Darlene Rycroft, The Lynches & The Evernhams
Memory of: Jim Evernham, Dick & Dorothy Evernham, Debs & Leona Sanders, Robin Evernham
Given by: The Schnakenburg, Tribble, and Emsweller Families
Memory of: Pat & Dick Schnakenburg, John Schnakenburg
Given by: Mike & Linda Tribble
Memory of: Abe & Irene Bradford
Given by: Cathy & Steve Early
Memory of: Robert & Emma East
Given by: Jo Wilson
Memory Of: Earl C. Wilson, Goldie & Wayne Freshley



175 years
of faith

Central United
Methodist Church

April 14, 2024

Celebrate Central United Methodist's 175th Anniversary on April 14, 2024. Worship will begin at 9:15 a.m. with a message from Bishop Julius Trimble. We will have special music with Gina Moore and Karen Renner. A lunch will be served at 11:00 a.m. Reservations are a must for the lunch catered by Schnitzelbank. Call the church office 812-424-3574 or email at CUMC@central-church.org or Gloria Millay at gloria_jean1@hotmail.com or Nancy Reid at ncreid02@gmail.com with your reservation.