



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

NURSERY CARE

ELEMENTARY

(Readiness Kindergarten - 5th grade)

Sunday School teachers will lead students in Bible Study along with playing games, creating crafts, or making a treat. Students will meet in Room 7.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GROUP

Wendy DeRouin and Lee Anderson will guide these students through their transition from child to teen with games, discussions and mission projects. This class meets in Room 8 at 9:15 every Sunday morning and is for students in grades 6 –8.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Holly Hamilton invites those of you in grades 9 thru 12 for a fun morning of Christian education and an open discussion about teen topics every Sunday morning at 9:15 in Room 8.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join the Women's Group in Room #9 on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM. Come in and check it out.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



Each Tuesday morning a Bible Study Group meets in the Lounge from 9:30-10:30AM. All are welcome to join us.

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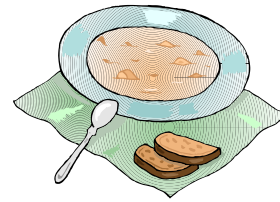
- 01 Bob Hamlin, Lee Anderson
Richard Blixt, Wendy DeRouin
- 08 Harry Badge, Erik Barnhart
Anna Morse, Bev Ladin
- 15 Bob Hamlin, Laura Kluka
Gregg Bruff/Mimi Klotz
- 22 Kaylan Thorbahn, Janet Snowden
Beth Peterson, Pat Rogers
- 29 Gregg Bruff/Mimi Klotz
Pat Rogers, Anna Morse

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There will be **NO** Sunday School or Confirmation Classes on **March 22nd or March 29th** due to Spring Break.



Daylight Savings time begins March 8, 2020. **Spring forward one hour before retiring for the night on March 7th.**



SOUP & BREAD

Come be nourished in body and spirit this Lent! Every Wednesday, we gather at 6:00PM. in Room 9 to share soup and bread. At 6:30, we move to the chapel to share a simple time of worship, prayer, and song. Come connect with God and connect with others - we're saving you a seat!

VESPERS WORSHIP SERVICE

"Vespers" is a time of evening prayer. It is a time to pause and give thanks to God for the day that is ending. Songs are sung, scripture is read, and prayers are shared by the community. The service lasts about a half hour. Lent is here — soup is on. Join your Central family as we invite God's presence to dwell in and among us. The service will last approximately a half hour. Join us Wednesdays, at 6:30PM in Central's Chapel.

MARCH FINANCE STEWARDS

- 01 Cheryl Swanson, Jackie Johnson
- 08 Janet Snowden, Arleen Martin
- 15 Lois Lavelle, Sue Gaudette
- 22 Laura Kluka, Bev Ladin
- 29 Cheryl Swanson, Arleen Martin

MARCH GREETERS

- 01 Deanna Robinette, **Volunteer**
- 08 Diane Bennett, **Volunteer**
- 15 **Volunteer, Volunteer**
- 22 **Volunteer, Volunteer**



RADIO BROADCAST

WDBC Radio 680 am on your dial airs the 10:30 AM Worship Service each Sunday. If interested in sponsoring a broadcast, there is a sheet to sign in on, if the date is available, in the Narthex. Cost for this service is \$100 per week. You can donate the \$100 or any part of it. We have many open dates in 2020.

PRAYER LIST

Please remember all those who are home bound and those in nursing homes in your prayers for healing, gaining strength, and courage. May God bless them and keep them in His loving care during this time of illness and concern and may they know that our thoughts and prayers are with each of them.



UMCOR SUNDAY

(formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) Sunday, **March 22nd** is designated as "UMCOR Sunday". Proceeds collected help people in America and around the world who suffer as a result of natural disasters, famine, civil wars, infectious diseases, etc. Maybe we can't help in person, but we can help through our gifts. When trucks arrive bearing provisions and help, it's evidence of our gifts in action. Envelopes are in your box for this.

MEETING NIGHT

The next meeting night is Thursday, **March 19, 2020** with the Committees meeting at 6:00PM followed by the Council at 7:15PM.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Anyone wishing to sponsor flowers for Sunday Worship should call the church at 786-0643 or sign the sheet in the Narthex. Cost is \$18.00.

EASTER LILIES



Easter Sunday is **April 12, 2020**. Easter Lilies will again be available for the Easter Service. If you would like to purchase one in honor or in memory of a loved one, order forms will be available in an upcoming bulletin.

Orders should be in by March 30th.

CHRISTIANS & LAUGHTER

Of all the people on earth, Christians ought to have smiles on their faces and be ready to laugh. After all, if God has defeated death by raising Christ from the dead, we have cause for joy at all times.

After a long day at work, two ministers decided to take a walk before darkness came. As they walked, they told humorous stories and were soon laughing heartily. It felt so good, so therapeutic, that one pastor turned to the other and said, "Theodore, let's kneel down and thank God for laughter." They did just that. Then they arose and went joyfully on their way.

Remember that we are abundantly blessed by God and have cause to laugh often. After all, the Savior lives and we are his friends.



HOPE AT THE INN

Have you ever thought about signing up for a shift, but haven't felt sure if you're up to it? Maybe it's been a while since you've volunteered, and you'd like a refresher on what each shift entails. Go to hopeattheinn.org for more info. Central UMC will host HATI (Hope at the Inn) beginning Sunday, **March 15th** thru Saturday, March 21. Please watch for sign-up sheets for the various shifts and for making a meal, doing laundry and/or cleaning up when the week is done.

Help is always welcomed and appreciated!



COFFEE TIME

Each Sunday members of Central serve coffee and provide a treat from 10:00-10:30AM. It's a time to talk and share with friends.

Thanks to the Women's Bible Study Class, Tom/Christie McGuigan, Mark Keishiam/Cami Blixt and Lois Lavelle for serving coffee and snacks in January & February.

LOVING FINGERS QUILTERS

The Loving Fingers Quilters continue to meet in Room #9 on Tuesday from 9 AM to 2 PM. They make quilts for Escanaba and Marquette Hospice and members of our church or anyone we know who would find a little comfort in a quilt. Our group is made up of young and old, sewers and non-sewers. Please join us for a day, a morning, or an afternoon of good friendship.

HELPING HANDS

Please remember our Helping Hands Fund during these difficult economic time, especially with the cold weather we have endured this year. The funds are for Central members who are facing urgent financial challenges and are in need of assistance. All help is strictly confidential.

Please see Pastor Elise for assistance.

APRIL PASTY SALE



Our next pasty sale will be Friday, **April 17th**. Thursday, April 16th, volunteers are needed at 8:00AM to make dough and peel potatoes, carrots, & onions. Friday at 8:00AM we need help grinding vegetables, mixing ingredients, making dough balls and rolling dough. Help is always needed both Thursday and Friday to clean-up and assemble items for the next sale.

Call your orders into the office at 786-0643 or Arleen at 233-9194. Orders must be in by 9:15AM on Monday, April 13th. Cost is \$4.00 for regular or rutabaga pasties.

FOOD PANTRY

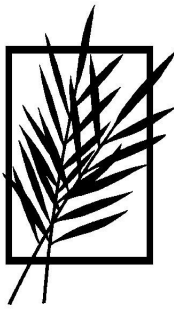
Ideas for March include disinfecting wipes, cleaners, bleach, laundry soap, dishwashing soap/detergent, sponges and scrub brushes.

WHAT SHOULD I DO FOR LENT?



Lent is a time of preparing and growing in our faith; it's a great time to take on a practice or habit that will help us grow closer to God as we walk with Jesus towards the cross. Want to grow, but not sure

how? Check out the purple "My Preparation for Easter" worksheets in the Narthex for ideas and ways to commit to growing with God!



PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

The Palm Sunday Service will be Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at Central. Palms and celebrations will begin Holy Week.

HOLY WEEK

10:30 A.M. Palm Sunday Service
April 5, 2019

6:00 P.M. Maundy Thursday
Supper Service

Central UMC - 322 S. Lincoln Rd.
Thursday, April 9, 2020

12:00 Noon Good Friday Service
Bay de Noc Community College
April 10, 2020

9:30 A.M. Easter Sunday Breakfast
Central UMC Fellowship Hall

8:30 A.M. Easter Sunrise

10:30 A.M. Easter Sunday Worship



HAPPENINGS AT CENTRAL

Soup/Vespers began on **February 26th** and will continue thru **April 1st**. We meet at 6:00PM in Room #9 for homemade soup and delicious breads. These suppers are open to all.

Starting Sunday, **March 1**, Confirmation Class is open to students in 6th grade and up following the Sunday service. Confirmation will take place on May 18th.

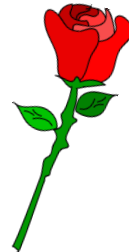
On Wednesday, **March 11**, students in grades 10-12 are invited to join Pastor Elise and the Kitchen Crew for a great lunch and good fellowship!

Sunday, **March 15**, the children will be collecting your change during the Noisy Offering.

Thursday, **March 19**, is Meeting Night with Committees meeting at 6:00PM followed by the Council at 7:15PM.

The **Youth Group** meets at the parsonage from 7:00-8:30PM on Sundays. Join Pastor Elise, Pastor Ryan and friends.

ROSES & THORNS



If you have a concern or compliment to pass along to the Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC), please fill out a card and let us know your thoughts. Cards can be found in the church pews. Your opinions are important to us and we will address each and every concern and/or compliment.



Please note that all doors **except** the front doors will be locked 10-15 minutes after church begins for safety concerns.



God's Plan

Jesus was resurrected from the dead. He appeared to his disciples, and he told them about the plan of God.

On the blanks in the first section, write the words that fit the definitions. Transfer those letters to the numbered lines in the second section. Read the Scripture verse. Unscramble the circled letters to finish the sentence at the bottom of the page.

- Water that falls from the sky
- Birds lay them in nests
- A newly hatched hen
- Bloom in the spring
- A caterpillar transformed
- Dirt mixed with water

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(taken from John 20:17, NIV)

Jesus has _____ !

Answer: rain, eggs, chick, flowers, butterfly, mud
“Jesus said, ‘I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”
Jesus has risen!