

**ADULTS**

**Knit One, Crochet Too:** 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon Tuesdays in Room 301 and via Zoom  
If you enjoy yarn crafting please join others for knitting, crocheting and fellowship. New members and interested learners are welcome. We'll help you start or decipher a pattern. Contact Linda Wolgast: [linda65ac@gmail.com](mailto:linda65ac@gmail.com)

**Chancel Choir:** 7:30 - 9 p.m. Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary  
Join men and women in preparing music for worship services. Contact Jeffrey Cobb [jeffrey@jeffreycobb.com](mailto:jeffrey@jeffreycobb.com)

**Caregivers Support Group:** 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm third Mondays in Room 301  
In person or via Zoom. Come be in community and find support in being a caregiver for your loved ones. Contact Nan: [nan.horstman@gmail.com](mailto:nan.horstman@gmail.com).

**Donuts and Devotions:** 9 am - 10:30 am first and third Wednesdays in the lounge.  
You are welcome to join this drop-in circle of men who are seeking God in their lives. Join us for coffee, donuts and conversation. Contact [officeassistant@tccentralumc.org](mailto:officeassistant@tccentralumc.org) for more information.

**United Women in Faith Lunch Bunch** meets the first Wednesday of each month in the lounge at 11 am for Bible study and noon for lunch. Bring a salad topping to share with this welcoming group. Contact Carolyn Grigereit: [cgrigereit@aol.com](mailto:cgrigereit@aol.com).

**Central Perks Parents:** 10:00 to 11:00 Sunday mornings in Room 306 is a space where you can hang out with other parents for community, coffee and snacks between services. Bring the kids, and join us in an opportunity to make some new friends. Contact Erica: [erica@tccentralumc.org](mailto:erica@tccentralumc.org) for more information.

**Sunday Morning Pilgrimage:** 10:00 am - 10:50 am in Room 301 and on Zoom  
Join this informal/come when you can group for genuine connection with others. Their desire is to be an encouragement to you and present a path to grow closer to God and to our community. For our Spring book study we'll be using the book "Grateful" by Diana Butler Bass. Books can be purchased in the church office for \$15. ALL are welcome. Contact Kathy Mead [meadka09@gmail.com](mailto:meadka09@gmail.com)

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

**Nursery available in Room 104 Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:15 pm**

**Heroes in Action:** 5:30 - 7:15 pm Wednesdays in Room 105  
Children entering grades K-2 will learn Bible Basics, all about Jesus and his love for all of us!

**The Wonderers:** 5:30 - 7:15 pm Wednesdays in Room 106  
Children entering grades 3-4 will join friends here to help us grow together in grace, God and with the eyes of Holy Wonder!

**Holy Troublemakers:** 5:30 - 7:15 pm Wednesdays in Room 103  
Youth entering grades 5-7 will join in community to learn more about God, and also about people who have made impacts throughout history.

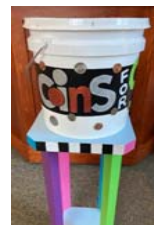
**MS/HS Youth Group:** 12:30-2:30pm Sundays in the Youth room  
Youth grades 8-12 are invited for a time of fellowship, service, learning and fun! All are welcome—invite a friend! Lunch is provided.

**SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

**Confirmation Sunday is April 27 at the 11:00 service.** Join us as we welcome these new young members into the fellowship of Central Church.

**Rummage sale is back! Friday, May 2 from 9 am to 4 pm and Saturday May 3 from 9 am to 1 pm.** Donations accepted starting Sunday, April 27 after 9 and 11 services, and the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from noon to 4 pm. Please, no electronics or furniture. Contact Karen Gleason [gardengirl16871@gmail.com](mailto:gardengirl16871@gmail.com).

**Graduation Sunday is May 18.** Contact Sue Cobb in the office if you have a graduate from high school or an advanced degree to be recognized.



**"Currency for Change" Monthly Mission Donation Project**  
*April Spotlight: Michael's Place* Got currency? Bring it to church and drop it in the "Currency for Change" bucket anytime this month. All funds collected will be designated to this month's mission.



March 30, 2025  
Traditional Worship  
Easter Sunday

Prelude "Morning Hymn" by Jason Krug  
*Peter VanDessel, organ*

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Linda Stephan

\*Passing the Peace Rev. Linda Stephan

\*Call to Worship^ Muriel Peavler  
One: Out of the haze of grief and despair comes new life. Christ is risen.  
**ALL: Christ is risen, indeed!**  
One: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it's true. Christ is risen.  
**ALL: Christ is risen, indeed!**  
One: We are witnesses, called to proclaim this astounding hope:  
Christ is risen!  
**ALL: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Opening Hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" UMH No. 302, vs.1-4

Blessing the Children Rev. Kathy Snedeker

Baptism and Reception of New Members  
*Today we welcome into the Central Church family Megan Brown and Chris Stowe and their sons Noah and Sam.*  
**With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Noah, Sam, and their family with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Prayer of the People Muriel Peavler

The Lord's Prayer UMH No. 895  
**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.**

Ministry of Music "Crown Him With Many Crowns" by John Behnke  
*Chancel Choir, Brass Quartet and Percussion*  
*Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity. Crown him the Virgin's Son! The God Incarnate born, whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn! Fruit of the mystic Rose as of that Rose the Stem: the Root, whence mercy ever flows, the Babe of Bethlehem! Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified; no angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends their burning eye at mysteries so bright. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save; his glories*



*now we sing who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above; crown him the king, to whom is given the  
wondrous name of Love, crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall. Crown him, ye  
kings, with many crowns, for He is King of all.*

Scripture Reading Luke 24:1-12 NT p. 90  
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message Easter Sunday  
"We are Witnesses" Rev. Joan VanDessel

Reflection Moment  
Invitation to Giving Rev. Linda Stephan

\*Doxology UMH 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 Over The Gifts Rev. Linda Stephan

\*Hymn "Christ is Alive" UMH No. 318

Benediction Rev. Joan VanDessel

Choral Benediction "Go Forth With God" by Grier and Everson

Postlude "Fanfare for Easter Day: Christus Resurrexit" by Young  
Peter VanDessel, organ

*You are invited to remain seated for the postlude as part of your worship experience.  
(If you choose to exit the sanctuary during the postlude, please do so quietly. Thank you.)*

\*Please stand as you are able.

#### TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Pastors: Rev. Linda Stephen and Rev. Joan VanDessel

Liturgist: Muriel Peavler

Music: Peter VanDessel, organ; Central's Chancel Choir,

Jeffrey Cobb, director; Brass Quartet: Josh Wagner and Tom Vieira trumpet;

Julie Schlieff, horn; Michael Hunter, trombone; Will Harris, percussion

Welcome Desk: Tom Emling

Greeters: Jackie Barone and Lisa Spezia

Thank you  
for joining us today!



SCAN TO GIVE YOUR GIFT NOW



SCAN TO CHECK IN NOW

^Adapt. from: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/03/easter-call-to-worship-prayer.html>

## Thank you for joining us today!

Things you might find helpful while you're here:

If you are a first-time visitor, please stop by the Welcome Center  
outside the sanctuary - we have a special gift for you!

Large print bulletins, hymnals and hearing assistance devices  
are available upon request.  
Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

Children are welcome in worship!  
We offer a special family-friendly Grace Space  
in the back of the sanctuary where children can participate in  
hands-on activities during the worship service.  
If you prefer, our nursery for children five and under is located  
on the lower level. A sound-proof two-way mirrored infant room  
is located outside the sanctuary, across from the church office.

Our greeters, ushers and welcome center hosts are happy to  
help you with directions or questions you may have today.

If you'd like more information about Central Church, please follow  
our Facebook Page: [facebook.com/cumctc](https://www.facebook.com/cumctc) or  
visit our website: [tccentralumc.org](http://tccentralumc.org)

For your convenience, our 9 & 11 AM worship services  
are livestreamed weekly.

In addition, our 11AM worship service is  
broadcast live on WCCW-AM 1310 (Traverse City),  
sponsored by Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home.

Other information you might want to know:

Prayer requests are welcome. You can submit your prayer  
and/or request to be part of the prayer chain by contacting our  
Wellness Advocate, Sarah Drews: [sarah@tccentralumc.org](mailto:sarah@tccentralumc.org)

Along with the pastors, Central Church has a volunteer caring  
team that is available for support in many ways including home  
visitation, Stephen Ministry care, medical transportation  
assistance, and hospital visitation. If you would like support  
during a difficult time, please contact one of the pastors or our  
Wellness Advocate, Sarah Drews: [sarah@tccentralumc.org](mailto:sarah@tccentralumc.org).

## All are Welcome.

Welcome to all who seek true community,  
or who have no church home, who have been here  
awhile, or have just arrived, who need strength,  
who want to follow Christ, who have doubts,  
firm convictions, or who aren't sure what they believe.  
Welcome to new guests and to old friends.  
Welcome to people of all colors, cultures, abilities,  
sexual orientations and gender identities,  
to old and young, to believers and questioners  
and welcome to questioning believers.



## Sunday Morning Worship

8 AM Small Community Worship  
in the Chapel

9 AM Upbeat, Casual Worship  
in the Sanctuary

11 AM Traditional Worship  
in the Sanctuary

