

ADULTS

Knit One, Crochet Too: 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon Tuesdays in the Lounge

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

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.

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 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.

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 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

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

Serve Saturday is May 17. More information available in the Gathering Space after worship, sign up to volunteer online on the Events page or reach out to Ginna Beckett or the church office with questions.

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.

Church in the Park begins Sunday, May 25 at 9:00 am Join us at Sunset Park for this casual outdoor service during the summer months. Please bring your own seating.

Greeters are needed for 11:00 worship during summer months. Contact Kathy Mead meadka09@gmail.com to volunteer for this hospitality opportunity.

Summer baptism dates are June 8, June 15, and July 13. Contact the church office for more information.

Vacation Bible School coming July 7 through July 11 from 9:00 to noon each day.

Contact Erica Kozlowski erica@tccentralumc.org with questions.



"Currency for Change" Monthly Mission Donation Project
 May Spotlight: *Before, During and After Incarceration (BDAl)*
 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.

Breakfast for Dinner
All Church Meal

Wednesday, May 21 | 5 PM Fellowship Hall

DINNER CLEAN UP CREW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.
 PLEASE CONTACT SARAH@TCCENTRALUMC.ORG TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER



Music Midweek
 Music + Advocacy

May 21: Andrew Dost, Grammy award-winning artist of Metal Bubble Trio.

All free-will donations at event support The Ally Coalition

Scan the QR code to get all the details



Save the Date

All Church Building Vote

Sunday, May 18 12 pm noon at TC CUMC



May 11, 2025
 Traditional Worship

- Prelude "Siciliano" by J.S. Bach
 "God's Time is All Time" by J.S. Bach
Michael Coonrod and Barbara Slagel, piano four hands
 "Pendaneni" (Love One Another) by Cathy Moklebust
Central and Genesis Bells
- Welcome and Announcements Rev. Linda Stephan
- *Passing the Peace Rev. Linda Stephan
- *Call to Worship Blessing Ovie
 One: Arise! Shine! A new day is dawning.
ALL: Easter people raise your voices.
 One: Christ is risen!
ALL: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!
- *Opening Hymn "Hope of the World" UMH No. 178
- Blessing the Moms and Mentors Rev. Linda Stephan
- Prayer of the People^ Blessing Ovie
 One: Speak to us tenderly, and welcome us into your loving arms,
 O Father of Kindness.
ALL: Help us make a path for you.
 One: Carry us in your bosom, and comfort us,
 O Mother of Peace.
ALL: Help us make a path for you.
 One: Guide us gently, and encourage us through the anxious times,
 O Patient Shepherd.
ALL: Help us make a path for you.
 One: Hold our hands and endure with us through the pains of labor,
 O loving Midwife.
ALL: Help us make a path for you.
 One: Calm our fears and enkindle your light and joy within us,
 O Brilliant Radiance.
ALL: Help us make a path for you.

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 "Give Me Jesus" arr. Moses Hogan
Melly Smith, soloist

Scripture Reading Judges 4:4-10 OT p. 220
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message Easter People
"God's Women" Rev. Deb Johnson

Reflection Moment

Invitation to Giving Rev. Joan VanDessel

*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. Joan VanDessel

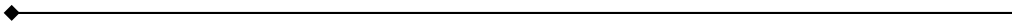
*Hymn "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry" TFWs No. 2051**

Benediction Rev. Deb Johnson

Postlude "How Deep the Father's Love For Us" arr. Mark Hayes
Barbara Slagel, piano

*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.
**The Faith We Sing black songbook



TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:
Pastors: Rev. Linda Stephan, Rev. Joan VanDessel and Rev. Deb Johnson
Liturgist: Blessing Ovie
Music: Barbara Slagel, organ/piano; Michael Coonrod, piano;
Melly Smith, soloist; Central Bells and Genesis Bells, Lynne Lombard, director
Welcome Desk: Tom Emling
Greeters: The Hassler Family

**Thank you
for joining us today!**



SCAN TO GIVE YOUR GIFT NOW



SCAN TO CHECK IN NOW

^Katie Fox, Candler School of Theology MDiv 2000. Unpublished.

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

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

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.

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

