



"Currency for Change" Monthly Mission Donation Project

March Spotlight: BDAI (Before, During and After Incarceration)

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.

You've been with us... Have you considered joining us?
NEW MEMBER CLASS
 Sunday, March 15 at 12:15 PM

Contact Sue Cobb in the church office to sign up!

Explore membership, learn about Methodism, get your questions answered.

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 TRAVERSE CITY, MI



Join us for **Advocacy Day** at the Michigan State Capitol on Wednesday, March 18



Contact Sarah Drews at sarah@tccentralumc.org for more information & carpooling opportunities



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Interlochen IPR Public Radio

3.18.2026
6:00 PM

MUSIC MIDWEEK
 FEATURING
Jerry Young
 (Northern Lower Brass Group)

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CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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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.

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/tccumc or our Instagram: www.instagram.com/tccumc 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. Flowers provided by The Flower Station

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 Group Service
in the Chapel

9 AM Upbeat, Casual Worship
in the Sanctuary

11 AM Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary

Find out more: tccentralumc.org/events



March 1, 2026

Gathering Music "Dub Ground" by Jeffrey Cobb
The Well Worship Band

Greeting and Announcements Rev. Linda Stephan

*Passing the Peace Rev. Linda Stephan

*Song for All "Lead Me Home" by Matt Maher

Song for All "Carry Your Name" by Nockels and Tomlin

Blessing the Children Rev. Linda Stephan

Prayer for All Rev. Linda Stephan

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

Scripture Genesis 18:1-14 OT p. 14
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Worship Without Limits Sermon Series
Message "Hospitality" Rev. Joan VanDessel

Celebration of Holy Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor continues...

One: Therefore in gratitude, with all Creation, we sing your praise.

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor continues...

One: ...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pastor continues...

One: Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Giving and Receiving of Gifts *(All elements are gluten and alcohol-free)*

Focus Song "How Beautiful" by Twila Paris
The Well Worship Band and Vocalists

Verse *How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful, the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.*

Chorus *How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.*

Verse *How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes that choose to forgive and never despise.*

Bridge *How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ And as He laid down His life, we offer this sacrifice that we will live just as He died; willing to pay the price, willing to pay the price.*

Verse *How beautiful the radiant bride who waits for her groom with His light in her eyes. How beautiful when humble hearts give the fruit of pure lives so that others may live.*

Chorus *How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King. How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the Earth.*

Prayer Over the Gifts Rev. Linda Stephan

*Song for All "Bigger Table" by Matt Maher

*Parting Blessing Rev. Joan VanDessel

Parting Music "The Well" by Hall and West
The Well Worship Band and Vocalists

*Please stand as you are able.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Pastors: Rev. Linda Stephan and Rev. Joan VanDessel

Music: The Well Worship Band and Vocalists; Jeffrey Cobb, director

Welcome Desk: Donna Olendorf

Greeters: Lynne and Douglas Luciani, Ann Porter, Geri Torno

Thank you for worshipping with us today!



SCAN TO CHECK IN



SCAN TO GIVE

Announcements & Opportunities

ADULTS

Knit One, Crochet Too: 10:30 am - 12 noon Tuesdays in the Chapel

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

Sunday Morning Pilgrimage: Sundays from 10:00 to 11:00 This is an open discussion study group seeking a deeper understanding of God's presence in our lives and in our world. Our current focus is the Richard Rohr book "Immortal Diamond: The Search for Our True Self." Our meeting spot is in transition this spring. Contact Kathy Mead: meadka09@gmail.com.

Caregivers Support Group: 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm third Mondays in the Chapel In person or via Zoom. Come be in community and find support in being a caregiver for your loved ones. Contact Sharon Hill, sharondiamondhill@gmail.com.

Donuts and Devotions: 9:00 am - 10:30 am first and third Wednesdays in the Chapel. 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 Doug Haberland at haberlanddn@outlook.com for more information.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery available in Room 105 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!

MS Youth Group: 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.

HS Youth Group: 5:30 -7:15pm Wednesdays 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!

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Passover Seder with our siblings from Congregation Beth Shalom on Thursday, April 2 at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Call the church office to reserve a spot.

Building renovation update meetings will be held today at 10:00 am and Wednesday March 4 at 6:00 pm. Join us to learn more about the building plans at Central!

VBS is coming June 29 to July 3. Contact Erica for information; erica@tccentralumc.org.