



"Currency for Change" Monthly Mission Donation Project

April Spotlight: New Life School in Mizak, Haiti

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.



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



April 12, 2026
Traditional Worship

Prelude "Cantabile in G" by Flor Peeters
Barbara Slagel, organ
"Just Because He Lives" arr. Joel Raney
Central Bells and Barbara Slagel

Greeting and Announcements Rev. Linda Stephan

*Passing the Peace Rev. Linda Stephan

*Call to Worship^ Dave Payne
One: How wonderful, O Lord, are the works of your hands! The heavens declare your glory, the arch of the sky declares your handiwork.

ALL: The heavens declare the glory of God.

One: In your love you invite us to behold the beauty of your world, robed in all its splendor, the sun and the stars, the valleys and hills, the rivers and lakes –

ALL: The earth reveals your presence.

One: In your passion, you call us to nurture and sustain and care for the world and its delicate and intricate diversities and balance –

ALL: We are your stewards, tending all creation.

One: In your goodness, you give us the music of the world: raging winds, whispering trees, and the voices of all creatures great and small.

ALL: A divine voice speaks through all creation.

One: Christ is Risen!

ALL: Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn "This Is My Father's World" UMH No. 144

Blessing the Children Rev. Linda Stephan

Prayer of the People^^ Dave Payne

The Lord's Prayer UMH No. 895

Ministry of Music "Make A Joyful Noise" by Jeffrey Cobb
Central's Chancel Choir; Brass Quintet; Renee Mittelstaedt, soloist
Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness, come before his presence with Thanksgiving.. Know ye that the Lord He is God. It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves. We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His courts with thanksgiving, and enter into His courts with praise! Be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. One generation passeth away, another generation cometh, but the earth abideth forever. The sun will ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasten to His place, where He arose.

Scripture Psalm 102:18-28 OT p . 553
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message "Hope for Kids Creek" Peter Payette

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).*

*Doxology UMH No. 94

*Prayer Over The Gifts Rev. Joan VanDessel

*Hymn "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" UMH No.152

*Benediction Peter Payette

Choral Benediction "Blessed Be The Lord" by Jeffrey Cobb
Central's Chancel Choir

Postlude "Celebration" by David Lasky
Barbara Slagel, 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.)*



SCAN TO CHECK IN



SCAN TO GIVE

^CREDIT: Adapted from the Central Conference of American Rabbis, reprinted in *God's Good Earth: praise and prayer for creation.* Ann & Jeffery Rowthorn. Liturgical Press. 2018.

^^Credit:Anglican Church of New Zealand

Announcements & Opportunities

ADULTS

Knit One, Crochet Too: 10:30 am - 12 noon Tuesdays in Room 301
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 Library 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 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 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!

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Pastors: Rev. Linda Stephan and Rev. Joan VanDessel

Guest Speaker: Peter Payette, Executive Director Interlochen Public Radio
Liturgist: Dave Payne

Music: Central's Chancel Choir, Jeffrey Cobb, director;
Barbara Slagel, piano/organ; Central Bells, Lynne Lombard, director;

Brass Quintet:Thomas Vieira, Josh Wagner, Michael Hunter,
George Bliss, Jerry Young

Welcome Desk: Mary Ann Borton

Greeters: Dale and Luana Dueweke, Karen Gleason, Dave Maxson