



"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.

We want to pray for you if you are struggling or simply need someone to lean on.

Please complete a **Prayer Card** in your pew and place it in the offering plate



Contact Sue Cobb in the church office to sign up!

You've been with us... Have you considered joining us?
NEW MEMBER CLASS
Sunday, April 26 at 12:15 PM

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

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TRAVERSE CITY, MI

Save The Date
Sunday, May 3
LOVE BOLDLY



Celebrate Spring with a joyful evening of music

Featuring: **Doc & Donna Probes**
Bringing sunshine and smiles with a touch of Beach & Buffett!
Peter, Paul & Mary Remembered
A special reunion performance celebrating timeless classics!

All proceeds benefit the Outreach Program of Central United Methodist Church, supporting neighbors in need.



SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ALL THE DETAILS

Find out more: tccentralumc.org/events

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.



CENTRAL UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

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



April 19, 2026
Traditional Worship

Prelude "Prelude in F Major" by Arthur Marchant
Barbara Slagel, organ

Greeting and Announcements Rev. Linda Stephan

*Passing the Peace Rev. Linda Stephan

*Call to Worship based on Psalm 98 John Sonnemann

One: Shout triumphantly to the Lord, all the earth!

ALL: Be happy! Rejoice out loud! Sing your praises!

One: Sing your praises to the Lord with...the sound of music.

ALL: With trumpets and a horn blast, shout triumphantly before the Lord, the king!

One: Let the sea and everything in it roar;

ALL: the world and all its inhabitants too.

One: Let all the rivers clap their hands; let the mountains rejoice out loud altogether before the Lord because God is coming to establish justice on the earth!

ALL: God will establish justice in the world rightly; God will establish justice among all people fairly.

One: Christ is Risen!

ALL: Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn "Christ is Risen" UMH No. 307

Blessing the Children Rev. Linda Stephan

Prayer of the People John Sonnemann

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 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" arr. Molly Ijames
Central's Chancel Choir

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries: may Jesus Christ be praised!

Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: may Jesus Christ be praised!

The night becomes the day when from the hear we say, may Jesus Christ be praised!

The powers of darkness fear, when this sweet song they hear:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine, may Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this the eternal song through all the ages long, may Jesus Christ be praised!

Scripture John 15:1-8 NT p. 109

Revelation 22:1-5 NT p. 260

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

This Earth Sermon Series

Message "Settle In Here" Rev. Linda Stephan

Reflection Moment

Invitation to Giving Rev. Linda Stephan

*Doxology UMH No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessing 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 John Sonnemann

Hymn "Let All Things Now Living" TFWS No. 2008

*Benediction Rev. Linda Stephan

Choral Benediction "The Grace of the Lord by Roberta Bitgood
Central's Chancel Choir

Postlude "Fantasia (from the Abbey Voluntaries)" by Marchant
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.)*

*TFWS, small black hymn book

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Pastors: Rev. Linda Stephan and Rev. Linda Stephan

Liturgist: John Sonnemann

Music: Central's Chancel Choir, Jeffrey Cobb, director;

Barbara Slagel, piano/organ;

Welcome Desk: Mary Ann Borton

Greeters: Dale and Luana Dueweke, Tom Emling, Staton Lorenz

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 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!

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Outdoor Spring clean-up April 24 from 9:00 to 11:00 Help is needed to

prepare our grounds for the next seasons. Bring shovels, rakes and

gloves. Contact Sandy at oniel.sandra@yahoo.com with questions.

Stained Glass Exploration and FUNdraiser Thursday, May 21 at 7:00

Join us for an evening of exploration and history of the stained glass at

Central. Proceeds will be allocated to moving the glass during

construction.