
PALM SUNDAY

April 9, 2017 | 10:15 AM



CONNECTING FAITH,
FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY

Welcome to Central

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning!

Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it along to the person seated next to you.

Have a prayer request? Interested in getting more involved in the church? Want to serve on a committee? Like to update your contact information?

Please use a blue Community Connection card in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate.

Worshipping with young children? Worship is for all ages, but should your child become restless, there is childcare for children up to age 5 provided in our nursery, from 9:00 to 11:30 AM.

The nursery is located in the education wing on the first floor. Children's worship books with Bible stories, crayons, and pencils are available in the Narthex.

Large print bulletins, hymnals, and personal hearing systems are available. Please speak to one of the hosts if you have special needs.

Assisting in worship today:

Liturgist: Jeffrey Egge

Crucifer: John Lowe

Audio: Val Smith

Hosts: Scott Bandstra, Bob Egge,

Kevin Klimowski, Holly Klotz,

Laura Payne, Ashley Sloterdyk

Bus Driver: Joanne Locke

Deacon Flower Delivery:

Joanne Locke

The palms beautifying the Sanctuary are given by Steve and Dawn Roberts and their family in memory of James P. and Clara Ledinsky, Dawn's father and mother; and by Steve and Dawn Roberts, Charles W. Roberts, and Jane Roberts Anderson and their families in memory of Thomas B. Roberts, a longtime member of Central, who died Palm Sunday, 1964.

Please enter the Sanctuary in a spirit of reverence, as we prepare for worship. Be sure to silence all cell phones.

Please join us for Fellowship

Time: 11:15 AM, in the East Parlor. Hosts: Barbara Gartner and Phyllis Mumford-Sovern, Worship Committee.

◆ All who are able, please stand.

The Worship of God

GATHERING

To mark Jesus' triumphal entry into the holy city of Jerusalem, we gather for worship this morning outside the Sanctuary. Chairs are provided for those who are unable to stand. Everyone is invited to receive a palm branch for the procession.

◆ GREETING

From our God who brings us out of captivity into freedom,
out of the wilderness into the promised land,
out of death into life:
grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.
And also with you.

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

**This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.

**Blessed is the one
who comes in the name of the LORD!**

◆ PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11

The Gospel of the Lord.

NT, pp. 19-20

Thanks be to God.

◆ BLESSING OF THE PALMS

◆ **ANTHEM**

Chancel Choir and Children's Chorus

Palm Sunday Processional (Hosanna to the Son of David)

Daniel Greig and Jon Paige

Sing and shout to the Son of David,
Bring unto the King a jubilant song.

Raise your voices,
Sing hosanna.

Sing hosanna,
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

◆ **PROCESSION**

We will all process into the Sanctuary behind the Crucifer in the following order:

Crucifer

Congregation

Chancel Choir

Children's Chorus

Liturgist and Pastor

◆ **ORGAN PROCESSIONAL**

Fanfare

C.S. Lang

◆ **HYMN 196**

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
as we enter this Holy Week,
strengthen us to move beyond the festive parade of palms
and to follow Jesus into the way of the cross,
that united with him and all the faithful,
we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness
into the eternal city, the New Jerusalem,
where we may praise you forever and ever;
through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KYRIE 575

J. Christopher Pardini

Lord, Have Mercy upon Us

Please sign the Fellowship Register at the end of the pew, and pass it along to the person seated next to you.

WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

EPISTLE READING

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Philippians 2:5-11
NT, p. 174

SERMON

The Way into Jerusalem

Wallace W. Bubar

◆ **HYMN 264**

At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, hear your people:
and attend to our prayers.

LORD'S PRAYER

debts/debtors

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY

At the Name of Jesus

Michael Burkhardt

◆ **DOXOLOGY 606**

OLD HUNDREDTH

◆ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SENDING

◆ **HYMN 198**

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

ST. DROSTANE

◆ **BENEDICTION**

◆ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

A Festive Intrada

Walter L. Pelz

Worship Next Week: Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 16, 10:15 AM, Sanctuary

Scripture readings: Acts 10:34-43, Colossians 3:1-4,
Matthew 28:1-10

Upcoming Events

Photo Directory Sign-Up

Everyone is encouraged to participate by scheduling a 10-minute portrait sitting with Todd Hugen Photography at the church. Remaining dates and times for portrait sessions are as follows:

Sunday, April 9 – 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

To sign up, go to the sign-up table in 39th St. Lobby.

If you have not yet been able to schedule a portrait sitting, there are a couple of ways you can still have a photo in the directory:

- Schedule a portrait sitting at the photographer's studio in Carlisle. Times available are Wednesday and Thursday, May 3 and 4 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. To schedule your photo session, call the church office at 515-279-3658.
- Submit your own photo.
 - * **HARD COPY** – Minimum size of 2½" x 3 ½" (wallet) and maximum 5"x 7."
 - * **DIGITAL COPY** – Format: .jpg. Minimum size of 2½" x 3 ½" and maximum 4"x 6." Resolution: 250-350 dpi. Electronic file size should be under 2 MB. Email photo to: info@toddhugenphotography.com and include the church name and family name in the subject line.

Submitted images must be vertical in orientation; have high resolution; focus of photo is on the individual/family; clean backgrounds; avoid clutter; no copyright issues; good composition and lighting. Professional portraits must be submitted with a completed copyright release form.

For more information, contact Communications Director Kim Coulter, kcoulter@dmcp.org or 515-279-3658.

Palm Sunday Procession and Prayer Service for Peace

Sunday, April 9, 3:00 PM, Grace United Methodist Church

The procession begins at 3:00 PM at Grace United Methodist Church (38th & Cottage Grove), and ends at First Christian Church (25th & University). Organized by the Des Moines Faith Committee for Peace and co-sponsored by Central Presbyterian Church.

Easter Flowers

Order forms are available in the East Parlor, Narthex, 39th St. Lobby, and church office. Contributions of \$15 or more are welcome. The deadline is Monday, April 10. All designations will be acknowledged in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

Annual Women's Retreat

Friday-Saturday, April 21-22, at Hotel Pattee in Perry

Ignite the Flame! led by keynote speaker, Holly Zobeck, a life coach, speaker and author with a passion for sharing and teaching empowerment of God in our everyday lives.

Cost: \$90/shared room, \$150/single room, \$25/day only

Brochures available in Narthex, East Parlor, 39th St. Lobby and office. Deadline to register is April 14. Fill out the registration form and mail to church or leave in offering plate with a check. For more information, contact Greg Halterman at ghalterman@dmcpc.org or 279-3658.

Book Group

Thursday, April 20, 4:00 PM, Beaverdale Books, 2629 Beaverdale Ave

Join the group as Alice Meyer, owner of Beaverdale Books, previews some of the new books in the shop.

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 13, 6:00 PM

Supper will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM followed by the service which begins at 7:00 PM, also in the Fellowship Hall. Communion will be shared together around the dinner tables.

Good Friday, April 14, 7:00 PM

The story of Jesus' passion will be shared in Scripture and song amid the gathering darkness, in a solemn Service of Tenebrae led by Rich Dewein and the Chancel Choir.

Easter Vigil, April 16, 8:00 AM

Led by Greg Halterman and our youth.

Easter Breakfast, April 16, 9:00 -10:00 AM

Easter Sunday, April 16, 10:15 AM

We celebrate with joy Jesus' triumph over death and let the Alleluias sound forth once again.

Adult Education: *Making Sense of the Cross*, by David J. Lose

Sundays, 9:00 AM, Room 201

Join a conversation about the nature and importance of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

Sunday, April 23 Session 5: Example and Encouragement

Sunday, April 30 Session 6: Event and Experience

Dinner at DMACC Bistro

Wednesday, April 12, 6:00 PM

Join Central members and friends for a 3-course gourmet dinner at Des Moines Area Community College's Bistro. You'll dine together at the Ankeny campus. First course is salad or soup. Entrées are ordered from a menu of at least five choices and usually come with a choice of two sides. Cost is \$12 (includes choice of beverage and dessert). Wine by the glass is available for \$6.

Central's bus will be available for those who would like a ride and departs from the church at 5:30 p.m. To make your reservation, contact Sheri Egge, at 515-279-3658 or segge@dmcpc.org. Questions? Call Barb Schmidt, at 515-277-7075.

Central College A Cappella Choir to Sing at Central

Sunday, April 23, 10:15, in the Sanctuary

The Central College A Cappella Choir, under the direction of Mark Babcock, will be our special guests in worship, and will sing several anthems in the service.

Spring New Members & Inquirers Class

Three Sunday Sessions: April 23, April 30, and May 7

11:45 AM to 1:00 PM, in the Fireside Room

Lunch will be served and childcare is available. This class is for anyone who is interested in learning more about our congregation, our programs and ministries, how we organize to get things done, and what it means to be a Presbyterian. If you'd like to sign up, or have questions, please contact the pastor at 515-279-3658 or wbubar@dmcpc.org.

Children's Musical: "Esther"

Sunday, May 7, 10:15 AM, in the Sanctuary

LOGOS continues to teach both adults and children how we are to love and care for one another. Part of that is discovering how Esther, the Jewish maiden who became queen of the Persian Empire, saved her Jewish brothers and sisters from destruction. There are still parts to be cast for the May 7 performance and volunteers are needed to help in costume, stage and set decorations. If you are interested in participating, contact Christian Education Director Greg Halterman at ghalterman@dmcpc.org. or 515-279-3658.

Vacation Bible School

Monday-Friday, June 12-16, 1:00-4:00 PM

Hero Central – Discover Your Strength in God

The VBS registration site is open and can be found at <http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/dmcpc>.

Thank You Brook!

Thank you to Brook Smith for purchasing and planting the beautiful flowers along 39th Street and on the south patio.

This Week at Central

Sunday, April 9 Palm Sunday

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 9:00 AM Lenten Study (Room 201 & Fireside Room)
- 10:15 AM Worship (Gather outside on south patio/lawn)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship (East Parlor)

Tuesday, April 11

- 8:00 AM Bible Study (Room 112)
- 5:30 PM Tutoring

Wednesday, April 12

- 10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 112)
- 5:00 PM LOGOS Children & Dinner
- 6:00 PM LOGOS Youth & Dinner
- 6:00 PM Bistro Dinner at DMACC
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir (Room 208)

Thursday, April 13 Maundy Thursday

- 8:45 AM Morgen Bells (Sanctuary)
- 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, April 14 Good Friday

- 12:00 PM Church Office Closes
- 7:00 PM Good Friday Service of Tenebrae (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 16

- No Sunday School or Adult Education
- 8:00 AM Easter Vigil (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 AM Easter Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship (East Parlor)

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Mission Statement

We strive to be a Christian congregation
dedicated to a strong tradition of worship,
committed to spiritual inquiry and growth,
caring for one another,
and bearing witness to God's love in the world.



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