
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 23, 2018 | 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 involved in the church? Want to serve on a committee? Like to update your contact information? Please use a 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 units are available. Please speak to one of the hosts if you have special needs.

Assisting in worship today:

Liturgist: Mary Eggers
McCarroll

Crucifer: John Lowe

Advent candle: Shirley Bubar,
Lena & Sophie Bubar

Audio: Joe Haines

Hosts: Laura Covill, Ray Getting,
Kevin & Shaunna Maxwell

Driver: Julie Cherry

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. Host: Ann-Charlotte Wade, Human Resources Committee.

◆ = All who are able, please stand.

The Worship of God

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Peter Pindar Stearns

Now Sing We, Now Rejoice

Paul Manz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Iona Community

In Bethlehem will be born a Savior—

Sing for joy!

The God of Hosts will live among us—

Shout for joy!

Love and laughter will leap within us—

Jump and dance for joy!

◆ HYMN 102

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

Savior of the Nations, Come

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Who are we, Lord God,

that you should come to us?

Yet you have visited your people,

and redeemed us in your Son.

As we prepare to celebrate his birth,

make our hearts leap for joy

at the sound of your Word,

and move us by your Spirit

to bless your holy Name.

We ask this through him whose coming is certain,

whose day draws near:

your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

CANTICLE 90

WAIT FOR THE LORD

Wait for the Lord

The canticle will be sung twice.

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

GREETING

From the One who was, who is, and who is to come:
Grace and peace be with you all.
And also with you.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Greg Halterman

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Micah 5:2–5a
OT, p. 818

ANTHEM

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

Morgen Bells
arr. Michael Mazzatenta

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Luke 1:39–45
NT, p. 49

SERMON

There's Something About Mary

Wallace W. Bubar

◆ HYMN 129

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

ES IST EIN' ROS' ENTSPRUNGEN

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIVING OUR FAITH

John McCarroll, Stewardship Team

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

O giver of hope:
Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35 (debts/debtors)

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

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

OFFERTORY

Dormi, Dormi, El Bambin

Chancel Choir
arr. Shaw/Parker

◆ **DOXOLOGY 606**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

◆ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SENDING

◆ **HYMN 132**

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

◆ **BENEDICTION**

◆ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

Savior of the Nations, Come

Paul Manz

Worship Next Week: The First Sunday of Christmas

Sunday, December 30, 10:15 AM

Scripture readings: I Samuel 2:18–20, 26, Luke 2:41-52

Christmas Flowers

*The poinsettias, flowers and greenery gracing the church
have been given by:*

Barbara Amend in memory of Ralph Amend;

Mary Alice Baker, Joan Middleton, John Lowe and their families
in memory of Lyle Middleton, Jack Baker and
Herman & Betty Behrendt;

Nancy Bassett, Jon & Jackie Bassett and Will & Emilie Bassett
in memory of Marvin & Jean Selden;

The Beneke, Wandro and Orlando families in honor of
Sasha Karandin, their Russian son, brother and friend;

David & Nancy Boyd in honor of the birth of Sia Regina Carlefred,
their sixth international grandchild and first granddaughter;

Gwen Haakinson Brown in memory of Robert M. Brown and Isabel
Bee Brown;

Bradley, Tania, Alex, Lauren & Sam Burt in loving memory of
Berry O. Burt & Elizabeth P. Burt, parents and grandparents;

Bradley & Tania Burt, Alex Burt, Adam & Sabrina Zenor,
Zac & Natasha Sayles and Sophie Sayles in loving memory of
Stanley Ritchie, Tania's father and the children's grandfather;

Bradley & Tania Burt in loving memory of his dear brother, Greg Burt;

The Corwin and Mitchell families in memory of Chuck Corwin,
deeply missed and forever loved;

Ann Davidson in memory of Ted Davidson, her husband,
and their parents, Mr. & Mrs. H. W. Townsend and
Dr. & Mrs. T.E. Davidson;

Ann Davidson in memory of her grandson, Ryan Davidson;

Rich Dewein in memory of Yvonne Dewein, Ed Vickroy, Frank &
Wilma Dewein and Arlo Wagner;

Rich Dewein in honor of his family: Tyler & Sarah Reihmann,
Andrew & Tiffany Dewein, Abigayle & Penelope, Bryna & Landrey;

Marge Edwards in memory of Jim Edwards and their parents;

Bob & Sheri Egge in celebration of the birth of Thaddeus (Kevin & Ryle) and Natalie (Jeff & Kate) and in honor of Norah & Harper and Alex;

Bob & Sheri Egge in memory of their parents, Edgar & Mildred Storey and John & Gertrude Egge;

John Fisher & Jann Freed in memory of Eloise Freed and in honor of Dick Freed;

Flora, William and Olivia in loving honor of Nana & Grandpa;

Michael & Barbara Gartner in memory of their son, Christopher;

Michael & Barbara Gartner in memory of Art & Ginny McCoy, parents of Barbara;

Michael & Barbara Gartner in memory of Carl & Margie Gartner, parents of Michael;

Randy & Mary Gordon in memory of Elizabeth Wagner, Robert & Jean Finnell, John & Pat Gordon, Neal Gordon and Carolyn Finnell Schluter;

The Haakinson family in memory of Elizabeth Wagner;

Joanne Haakinson, Gwen Brown, Bill & Lori Haakinson and Betty Elgin in memory of their loving parents, Bill & Mary Haakinson;

Bill & Lori Haakinson and Doug Fontanini in memory of Guido & Flora Jean Fontanini;

Wendell & Lois Harms in memory of our parents;

Chris & Karen, Isabel, Grace & Lily Henderson in memory of Margo Henderson;

Dwight & Lois James in memory of their parents, Martin & Margaret Williams and Dwight S. & Anna Mae James;

Kevin Klimowski, Elliot Klimowski & Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski in memory of Jenifer's parents, Forrest & Veva Verna Mercer and Jenifer's aunt and uncle, G. Pierson & Merry Ruth Brauch;

Kevin Klimowski, Elliot Klimowski & Jenifer Mercer-Klimowski in memory of Kevin's parents, Frank Klimowski and Jeanne Smith, and Kevin's stepfather, William Smith;

Dan & Courtney, Sam, Abby & Tori LaPole in memory of Steve LaPole and Irene Westfall;

Robert & Cynthia Lidgett and family in loving memory of their wonderful parents, Berry O. Burt and Elizabeth P. Burt;

Joanne Locke in memory of her beloved husband, John;

John Lowe in memory of his grandparents, his uncle, Lyle Middleton and his step-dad, Jack Baker;

John Lowe in honor of his Mom and neighbor, Mary A. Baker;

Dennis & Elizabeth Moore in honor of Central's staff, congregation members and visitors;

David & Delpha Musgrave in memory of their parents, Edgar & Mary Jean Musgrave and Tony & Erma Thedens;

David & Delpha Musgrave in honor of their children and grandchildren, Jon, Wendy, Greta & Edie Musgrave, Jim & Anka Musgrave, and Ryan, Anne, Jack & Hazel Kramer;

Lynda Pitts in memory of David Pitts;

The Rademacher family in memory of Joe Proctor;

Karen Rehberg in memory of Michael Rehberg, and Mary Wuksinich and Jim Purnell, Karen's mother and brother;

Tyler, Sarah, Abigayle & Penelope Reihmann in memory of Yvonne Dewein and Joyce Reihmann;

Mark & Barb Schmidt in memory of their parents, John & Ingrid Schmidt and Dr. Raymond & Willa Jones;

Jennifer, Lauren & Ellen Stetson in memory of Grandpa Clark and Grandpa Stetson;

Karen Turpin in honor of Joanne Locke;

Carl & Susan Voss in memory of Harold & Charlotte Lamb, Vic & Mary Helen Muell and Dick & Nell Voss;

Carl & Susan Voss in honor of the wonderful staff of Central Presbyterian Church.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Eve at Central

Monday, December 24

Family Service 5:00 PM: A joyful service for children and their families, including an “instant Christmas pageant,” with no lines to memorize and no rehearsals to attend. Just show up and join the fun! Childcare will be available in the Nursery.

Traditional Service 7:00 PM: A traditional candlelight service of lovely Christmas music led by the Chancel Choir and with a Christmas reflection by the pastor and communion. Childcare will be available in the Nursery.

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays, 10:00 AM, Room 112

Will resume on Wednesday, January 2, 2019

The group is using the *Horizons* Bible study, *God’s Promise: I Am with You*.

LOGOS Programs for Children & Youth

Wednesdays

LOGOS Break – No LOGOS December 26 or January 2

Will resume on Wednesday, January 9

For more information or to volunteer, contact Christian Education Director Greg Halterman, at ghalterman@dmcpc.org or 515-279-3658.

Sunday School

Sundays, 9:00 AM

Will resume on Sunday, January 6

Youth Ski Trip

Saturday-Sunday, January 19–20, Afton Alps, Minn.

Middle school, senior high and parents are invited. Cost (\$180) includes two meals, lodging, transportation, lift tickets and ski rentals. Make reservations by contacting Christian Education Director, Greg Halterman, at 515-279-3658 or ghalterman@dmcpc.org.



170 YEARS

*Honoring the Past,
Serving the Present*

Pledged income

Goal: \$550,000

Received: \$483,031

Participation (households)

Goal: 170

Received: 139

New pledges

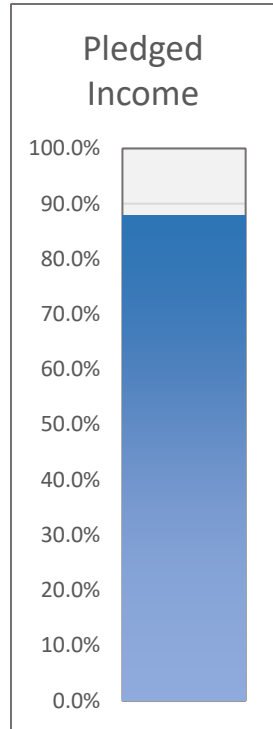
Goal: 14

Received: 7

\$170 giving increase challenge

Goal: 156

Received: 58



Totals as of Wednesday, December 19, 2018.

*Pledge cards are available in the Narthex, East Parlor,
39th Street Lobby or office.*

This Week at Central

Sunday, December 23

9:00 AM Morgen Bells (Sanctuary)

9:30 AM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30 AM Fellowship (East Parlor)

Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve

12 Noon Church Office Closes

5:00 PM Family Christmas Eve Worship (Sanctuary)

7:00 PM Traditional Christmas Eve Worship (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, December 26

Church Office Closed

Friday, December 28

12 Noon Church Office Closes

Sunday, December 30

10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30 AM Fellowship (East Parlor)

Monday, December 31

12 Noon Church Office Closes

Tuesday, January 1 New Year's Day

Church Office Closed

Church Staff

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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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