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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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February 2, 2020 | 10:15 AM



CONNECTING FAITH,  
FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY

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# Welcome to Central

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**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 until 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:* Jeff Egge

*Crucifer:* John Lowe

*Communion preparation:*

Mary Jean Paschen

*Communion servers:* David Boyd, Barbara Brown, John Fisher, Matt Getting, Ray Getting, Bill Green, Abi Logan, John McCarroll & Mary Eggers McCarroll, Beth Triebel, Susan Voss

*Audio:* Marvin Minor

*Hosts:* Jean Hamilton, Mark & Barb Schmidt, Emily Selden

*Driver:* Joanne Locke

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

**The flowers beautifying the Sanctuary** are given by Rich Dewein and his family in memory of Yvonne Dewein.

**Please join us for Fellowship Time:** 11:15 AM, in the East Parlor. Host: Joan Middleton & Barb Getting, Nominating Committee.

♦ = All who are able, please stand.

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# The Worship of God

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## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*Beautiful Savior  
Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

Robert A. Hobby  
Michael Burkhardt

### CALL TO WORSHIP

We have come to praise God,  
who has done wonderful things among us.  
**In Christ, God has shown us love,  
giving light for our darkness and strength for all our days.**  
Sing praise to God's name, bow before God in prayer,  
open your hearts to God's saving word.  
**Arise, shine, for your light has come!**

### ◆ HYMN 804

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

MARION

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God our deliverer,  
you walk with the meek and the poor,  
the compassionate and those who mourn,  
and you call us to walk humbly with you.  
When we are foolish, be our wisdom;  
when we are weak, be our strength;  
so that, as we learn to do justice and to love mercy,  
your blessing would be always with us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### CANTICLE 466

*Come and Fill Our Hearts*

CONFITEMINI DOMINO

## **GREETING**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
who creates us and forms us,  
who redeems us and calls us,  
who unites us and sends us. **Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

# **WORD**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Micah 6:1–8  
*OT, p. 819*

### **ANTHEM**

*Communion Prayer*

Chancel Choir  
Allen Pote

We place upon your table, Lord,  
the food of life, the bread and wine,  
as symbols of our daily work,  
according to your grand design.  
Within these simple things there lie  
the height and depth of human life;  
our pain and tears, our thoughts and toils,  
our hopes and fears, our joy and strife.  
Accept them, Lord, they come from you.  
We take them humbly from your hand.  
These gifts of yours for higher use,  
we offer up as you command.

### **GOSPEL READING**

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 5:1–12  
*NT, pp. 3–4*

### **SERMON**

*Blessed*

Wallace W. Bubar

### **♦ HYMN 172**

*Blest Are They*

BLEST ARE THEY

# RESPONSE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LIVING OUR FAITH

Souper Bowl of Caring

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

### EXCHANGE OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

### OFFERTORY

*Devotion on "Schonster Herr Jesu"*

Alice Jordan

### ◆ DOXOLOGY 606

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

### ◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# EUCCHARIST

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus 562

Schubert

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **Amen.**

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **Amen.**

Trusting his presence in every time and place,  
we plead Amen. **Amen.**

...now and forever. **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Hymnal, p. 35 (debts/debtors)

## **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

### **SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

As you serve your neighbor, you may say:

The bread of life.

The cup of the new covenant.

Please hold the bread until everyone has received and partake simultaneously; drink the cup when served.

Gluten-free wafers are available in the Narthex.

## **PRAYER**

# **SENDING**

### ◆ **HYMN 630**

CRUSADERS' HYMN

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

### ◆ **BENEDICTION**

### ◆ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

## **POSTLUDE**

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

Robert A. Hobby

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## **Worship Next Week: The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

*Sunday, February 9, 10:15 AM*

Scripture readings: I Corinthians 12:12–31a, John 17:1a, 20–23

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# Upcoming Events

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## **Sunday School**

*Sundays, 9:00–10:00 AM, Education Wing*

Christian Education opportunities for all ages.

Infants & Toddlers: .....Nursery

Preschool:..... Room 102

Grades K–1: ..... Room 101

Grades 2–5: ..... Room 2

Youth (Grades 6–12): ..... Room 201

Adults: .....Fireside Room

## **Sunday Adult Education**

*Sundays, 9:00 AM, Fireside Room*

February 2 & 23: Celebrating the Centennial: The Role of Religion  
in Women’s Suffrage

February 9: Join Rev. Annika Lister Stroope in a video call from Our  
Sister Parish in Berlín, El Salvador.

February 16: Meet Interim Executive Presbyter for the Presbytery of  
Des Moines and hear about what is happening in the Presbytery.

## **What We Believe: Adult Education Series**

*Wednesdays, 6:00–7:00 PM, Room 202*

Do you have questions about your faith? Perhaps you have doubts  
or even disagree with what you think Christians believe. This class  
will explore the foundational beliefs of our faith. The class is facili-  
tated by Central’s Seminary Intern, Sheryl Puderbaugh.

February 5      The Trinity: How we can understand it

February 12     The Trinity: How we experience it

February 19     The Sacraments: Baptism

February 26     No Class

## **Youth Ski Trip**

*February 15–16. Mount Kato, Mankato, MN*

AmericInn Hotel in Mankato. Cost: \$125 per person which includes a  
lift pass and rental for two days and the hotel cost. If you don’t need  
to rent any gear please let Lou Peters know. A woman chaperone is  
needed. If you are interested, contact Lou Peters, lpeters@dmcpc.org.

## **Central Sports Madness**

*Sunday, February 9, Wells Fargo Arena, 3:00 PM, Cost \$12/person*

The Membership Committee has organized an outing to the Iowa Wild vs. Stockton Heat hockey game. Reserve your tickets now! We'll be drawing for one Zamboni ride and Benchwarmer seats for two kids & one parent each. Payment deadline is February 5.

Afternoon activities include: Crash's Birthday, Youth Jersey Giveaway (first 1,500 fans age 12 & under) and postgame skate.

RSVP: Sign up on the board in the East Parlor or call the church office at 515-279-3658.

## **2020 Friendship Dinner & Auction**

*Friday, February 21, 5:30–8:00 PM, Fellowship Hall*

\$18/person. Enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship:

- ◆ Beverages & appetizers
- ◆ Candlelit, 3-course fine dining
- ◆ Live auction of events and items valued at over \$300 each
- ◆ Silent auction of member-hosted events in 2020
- ◆ Childcare and pizza will be provided. Nursery for preschoolers and movie night for ages 5-11

Want to donate and/or host an experience, dinner, brunch, fun event or gathering to be held in 2020? For more information, contact Mary Gordon, 515-306-6413.

Auction proceeds will help fund Central's new sound system for the sanctuary. Your payment is your reservation. Make checks payable to Central Presbyterian Church with *Friendship Dinner* in the memo line or pay online, at [www.dmcpc.org/give/](http://www.dmcpc.org/give/).

## **2020 Stewardship Update**

*as of January 30, 2020*

Pledge goal: \$565,000

Received: 176 pledges totaling \$568,780 (100.7%)

Of the pledges received:

72 are increased in the amount of \$325,138 (\$31,215 increase)

24 are decreased in the amount of \$65,640 (\$25,203 decrease)

59 are unchanged in the amount of \$153,942

21 are new pledges in the amount of \$24,060



## **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

*Tuesday, February 25, 5:00 - 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall*

Enjoy pancakes and all the fixings for this year's Shrove Tuesday pancake supper. The fun event includes Dixieland music, pancakes and an authentic New Orleans King Cake. (Who will find the baby in the cake?) All are invited as we usher in the season of Lent for 2020!

## **Ash Wednesday Services**

*Wednesday, February 26*

*12:15 PM, Cownie Chapel*

*7:00 PM, Sanctuary*

We're offering two different opportunities for you to begin the Lenten season. Both services will last approximately 30 minutes, and will include contemplative prayer, Scripture, and music, with the imposition of ashes.

## **Annual Congregational Meeting & Lunch**

*Sunday, February 23, 11:30 AM, Fellowship Hall*

Lunch will be served, with a free-will offering. The annual meeting will include a slideshow of 2019 highlights. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Hear the report of the Nominating Committee/elect officers:

### *Ruling Elders, Class of 2023*

Laura Bandstra

Steve Hopkins

Lynda Pitts

Ryle Egge

John McCarroll

### *Board of Deacons, Class of 2023*

Rebecca Fleming

Dustin Mead

Paul Tavernier

Barbara Getting

Billie Sturges

Jenny Varghese

### *Board of Deacons, Class of 2021 (unexpired term)*

Jim Asklof

### *Nominating Committee*

Annie Brandt

Jeff Green

Dwight James

Jann Freed

Jean Hamilton

Carl Voss

- Vote on the Pastor's 2020 Terms of Call

## **Deacons' DMARC Diaper Drive**

The Deacons have decided that February is diaper month. Diapers are a huge cost for low-income families. On average, a family has to spend \$936 a year per child. That's 6% of a single mother's gross pay from a full-time minimum wage job. We would love it if you would like to participate. Please bring in diapers throughout the month of February to the 39<sup>th</sup> St. Lobby where the DMARC cart is currently located. Let's see if we can build a diaper pyramid to the ceiling! After March 1, we will transport the diapers to DMARC for distribution. The Deacons appreciate your generosity.

## **Habitat for Humanity Faith Build**

*Saturday, February 29, 8:00 AM–4:00 PM*

Twelve volunteers from Central are needed for a build in Des Moines. No experience is necessary. In addition, volunteers are needed to prepare and serve lunch for about 16 total. To volunteer use this link: <https://gdmhabitat.secure.force.com/volunteer/VolunteersJobListingFSC?jobId=a0G4N00000LGz4UAH> or for more information, contact Todd Mattison at [todd.mattison@gmail.com](mailto:todd.mattison@gmail.com) or 515-201-0474.

## **LOGOS Volunteers Needed**

The Wednesday night children's programming, LOGOS, is looking for adults to help in the kitchen (4:30–6:30 PM preparation through clean up) or, sitting at each table to enjoy a nice meal and conversation with the kids (5:00–5:45 PM).

Your participation helps make the evening run smoothly and adds meaning to the children's experiences! To sign up, follow this link: [www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0945A8A72EA64-logos](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0945A8A72EA64-logos) or contact Randi McNally, 515-279-3658 or [rmcnally@dmcpc.org](mailto:rmcnally@dmcpc.org).

## **Tuesday Sewing Help Needed**

Do you have sewing skills you'd like to share? The group of women who sew at Central on Tuesday evenings have a great teacher, but she will be out of town for several weeks. The women need guidance and some assistance as they work. If you are available, please contact Rev. Annika Lister Stroope, email [ospannika@gmail.com](mailto:ospannika@gmail.com) or 402-942-1636 to let her know if you are available to help in the sewing room from 5:00–7:00 PM on any of the following Tuesdays:

February 4, March 24 & 31, April 7, 14, 21

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# This Week at Central

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## **Sunday, February 2**

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 9:00 AM Adult Education (Fireside Room)
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir (Room 208)
- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 AM Fellowship Time (East Parlor)

## **Tuesday, February 4**

- 5:30 PM Power Read (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 PM Christian Education Committee (Room 112)

## **Wednesday, February 5**

- 10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 112)
- 4:30 PM Worship Committee (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee (Conference Room)
- 5:00 PM LOGOS (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 PM Communications Committee (Room 112)
- 6:00 PM What We Believe (Room 202)
- 6:30 PM Knitting into the Mystery (39<sup>th</sup> St Lobby)
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir (Room 208)

## **Thursday, February 6**

- 7:00 AM Business & Finance Committee (Room 112)
- 8:45 AM Morgen Bells (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 PM World & Community Concerns Committee (Conf Rm)

## **Friday, February 7**

- 12 Noon Church Office Closes

## **Sunday, February 9**

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 9:00 AM Morgen Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 AM Adult Education (Fireside Room)
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 AM Fellowship Time (East Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Hockey Game (Wells Fargo Arena)

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## Church Staff

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**The Rev. Wallace W. Bubar**

*Pastor*

**Sheri Egge**

*Office Manager*

**Kim Coulter**

*Communications Director*

**Marc Michaelsen**

*Finance Director*

**Tim Clark**

*Resident Caretaker*

**Maria Sharpe**

*Custodian*

**Leslea Phelps**

*Nursery Coordinator*

**Sheryl Puderbaugh**

*Seminary Intern*

**Kathy Haines**

*Wedding Coordinator*

**The Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope**

*Parish Associate*

**Randi McNally**

*Director of Children's Ministry*

**Lou Peters**

*Director of Youth Ministry*

**Rich Dewein**

*Music Director*

**Lois Harms**

*Organist*

**Mary Pohlmann**

*Children's Music Director*

**Sue Hudson**

*Morgen Bells Director*

**Beth Triebel**

*Youth Bell Choir Director*

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## Mission Statement

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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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