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# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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February 19, 2023 | 10:15 AM



CONNECTING **FAITH,**  
**FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY**

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# Welcome to Central

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An online worship service is available on Facebook and YouTube for those unable to worship in person.

If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out the Community Connection card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You can also use the following QR Code:



Open the camera on your smart device. Point the camera at the QR code. Tap the banner that appears. Complete the contact form, and "Submit."

Childcare for children up to age 5 is provided in our nursery until 11:30 AM. The nursery is located in the education wing on the first floor. Children's worship packets 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:* Ray Getting

*Crucifer:* John Lowe

*Hosts:* Scott Bandstra, Bill Green,  
Kevin Klimowski, Lynn Mankins

*Children's Time:* Medea Saunders

*Music Director:* Rich Dewein

*Organist:* Lois Harms

*Music:* Chancel Choir

*Audio:* Marvin Minor

*Editing and Video:* Ben Patzlaff

The flowers in the chancel have been given by the Davidson family in memory of Ann Davidson and Ann's grandson, Ryan.

For online giving, go to [www.dmcpc.org/give](http://www.dmcpc.org/give).

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments following the service in the Fellowship Hall.  
*Hosted by:* Mark & Barb Schmidt.

Be sure to silence all cell phones.

♦ = All who are able, please stand.

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# The Worship of God

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## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*At the Name of Jesus  
Fairest Lord Jesus*

Michael Burkhardt  
Alice Jordan

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 99

The LORD is Sovereign,  
and sits enthroned upon the cherubim.

**The LORD is great in Zion,  
exalted over all the peoples.**

Extol the LORD our God,  
and worship on God's holy mountain.

**For the LORD our God is holy;  
let us praise God's holy name.**

### ♦ HYMN 667

LAUDES DOMINI

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, mighty and immortal,  
you are beyond our knowing,  
yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ,  
whose presence illumines the world.  
Transform us into the likeness of Christ,  
who renewed our humanity  
so that we may share in his divinity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### CANTICLE 648

THANKFUL HEARTS

*Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise*

## **GREETING**

The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the wisdom of God,  
and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

Medea Saunders

# **WORD**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

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

Exodus 24:12–18  
*pew Bible, OT p. 65–66*

## **ANTHEM**

*Arise, My Soul, Arise!*

Chancel Choir  
Dale Wood

Arise, my soul, arise!  
Stretch forth to things eternal,  
and haste thee to the feet  
of thy Redeemer God.  
Though hid from mortal eyes,  
He dwells in light supernal,  
yet worship Him in humbleness  
And own Him Lord.  
His banquet of love  
awaits thee above;  
behold, the marriage festal  
of the Lord is come!  
Rejoice, my soul, rejoice,  
to Heav'n lift up thy voice:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

List to the harps of heav'n!  
Hark to the song victorious,  
The never ending anthem  
sounding through the sky.  
To mortals is not given,  
to chant its strains all glorious;  
yet sing, my soul, the praise of Him  
who reigns on high.  
Who bought with His blood  
the ransomed of God;  
to Him be everlasting pow'r and victory.  
And let the great Amen resound  
through heav'n again.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Matthew 17:1–9  
*pew Bible, NT p. 16*

### **SERMON**

*Cloudy with a Chance of Transfiguration*

Wallace W. Bubar

### ◆ **HYMN 189**

*O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

DEO GRACIAS

## **RESPONSE**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **LIVING OUR FAITH**

Joanne Page, “Welcoming the Stranger”  
World and Community Concerns Committee

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Hear us, O God:  
Your mercy is great.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Hymnal, p. 35 (debts/debtors)

## **EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

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

## **OFFERTORY**

*Be Thou My Vision*

Paul Manz

## ◆ **DOXOLOGY 606**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

## ◆ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

# **SENDING**

## ◆ **HYMN 662**

*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

RATISBON

## ◆ **BENEDICTION**

## ◆ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

## **POSTLUDE**

*O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

Paul Manz

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# Upcoming Events

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## **Sunday School**

*Sundays, 9:15–10:00 AM, Room 101*

Sunday school for elementary children resumes on Sunday, February 19, with an eight-week long study of the Gospel of John, followed by a five-week long study of The Lord's Prayer. Classes will be offered from 9:15-10:00 AM. Any children from K-5 are welcome to attend. Classes will be taught by Medea Saunders. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Medea at [msaunders@dmcpc.org](mailto:msaunders@dmcpc.org).

## **Meet My Religious Neighbor: Roads to Religion**

*Sunday, February 19, 3:00–5:00 PM, Drake University, Olmsted Center*

Meet dozens of the religious communities of greater Des Moines, including Central Presbyterian Church, arranged as if on a map of the city, all in one location! The event will be held at Drake University, Olmstead Center, 2nd floor in Parents Hall. Free and open to the public.

## **Fellowship, Faith & Film**

*Sunday, February 19, 5:00 PM, Fellowship Hall*

Join us as we watch the 2000 American biographical film, *Remember the Titans*, starring Denzel Washington.

## **Ash Wednesday Services**

*Wednesday, February 22, 12:15 & 6:30 PM, Sanctuary*

Two services will be offered, each including Scripture, music, prayer, contemplation, and the imposition of ashes. Join us as we begin the season of Lent together.

## **Annual Congregational Meeting**

*Sunday, February 26, 11:15 AM, Sanctuary*

The Session has called for a meeting of the congregation to take place on Sunday, February 26, immediately following the worship service in the sanctuary. The meeting will include a review of the work of the church in the previous year, a presentation of the

budget, the election of officers, and a vote on the pastor's 2023 terms of call.

*Please note:* the annual congregational meeting will be in-person only. Everyone is encouraged to attend and participate.

## **The Drake Choir and spëro Chamber Choir together with the Cantus Ensemble from Johnston High School “Music in Wood and Stone”**

*Tuesday, February 28, 7:30 PM, Sanctuary*

Central Presbyterian Church is hosting this concert, under the direction of Eric Barnum. The Drake Choir is a select ensemble of 65 students, which tours regionally on an annual basis and internationally every four years. spëro is a chamber vocal ensemble of 26 singers selected from the Drake Choir. Cantus is the top auditioned choral ensemble at Johnston High School, consisting of 52 singers.

## **New Members Lunch & Program**

*Sunday, March 5, 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Fireside Room*

Are you interested in becoming a member of Central? Would you like to know more about our congregation, our programs and ministries, how we're organized, and what it means to be a Presbyterian? Would you like to get better acquainted with some of our staff and other newcomers? Then please come join us for this catered lunch and opportunity to connect and learn.

If you'd like to take part, **RSVP by February 26 to Wallace Bubar** at 515-279-3658 or [wbubar@dmcpc.org](mailto:wbubar@dmcpc.org). And be sure to let us know if you will need childcare or have any dietary restrictions.

## **Deacons DMARC Drive**

So far Central has collected more than 300 items! The biggest donations have been soap, closely followed by toothpaste. The drive for DMARC will continue until **Sunday, February 24**. It's not too late to contribute so let's keep this tremendous response going strong! These are some of the items we are hoping to collect.



- Baby diapers
- Baby wipes
- Shampoo
- Bar soap
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Feminine care products
- Hand sanitizer

Any size from regular to travel are welcome but please no warehouse size items. All items can be dropped off in the shopping cart in the 39th Street Lobby. Thank in you in advance for your generous donations and willingness to support DMARC.

## **Morgen Bells**

*Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Sanctuary*

The Bell Choir has resumed its rehearsals. We need to add additional ringers so we can utilize the entire 5-octave set of Whitechapel Bells. We need 13-14 people to make this happen. This choir is open to high school students to adults. I hope that we can ring 2-3 times for worship this spring and premiere the commissioned work that is being written to commemorate Sue Hudson's 32 plus years as Director of the Morgen Bells. I hope to see you at bell rehearsal. – *Rich Dewein*

## **Welcoming the Stranger**

*Sunday, March 5, 3:00–5:00 PM, Fellowship Hall*

**Come and be inspired on Sunday, March 5!** Listen to the story about how a young teenage boy named **Vinh Nguyen** came to America from war-torn Southeast Asia. Learn how his experience reflects the experience of millions of other refugees and how you can play a part in supporting these “strangers in a strange land,” even if that help is a simple prayer.

**Registrations** for our newly titled refugee presentation “Welcoming the Stranger” remain open through February. Sign up is available in the East Parlor or online at <https://dmcp.org/mis-sion/refugee-support-event-registration/>.

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# This Week @ Central

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## Sunday, February 19

- 9:00 AM Adult Education (Room 201)
- 9:15 AM Sunday School (Room 101)
- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship Time (East Parlor)
- 3:00 PM *Road to Religion* (Drake University, Olmsted Center)
- 5:00 PM Fellowship, Faith & Film (Fellowship Hall)

## Monday, February 20

- 5:30 PM Session (Room 201)

## Tuesday, February 21

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Room 112)

## Wednesday, February 22

- 10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 201)
- 12:15 AM Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)
- 5:15 PM Central Kids (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:15 PM Middle School Youth (Room 5)
- 6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Cownie Chapel)

## Friday, February 24

- 12:00 PM Church Office Closed

## Sunday, February 26

- 9:00 AM Adult Education (Room 201)
- 9:15 AM Sunday School (Room 101)
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 9:40 AM Children's Chorus Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 AM Congregational Annual Meeting (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 AM Fellowship Time (East Parlor)
- 2:00 PM Middle & High School Youth (Skateland)

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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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