THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 16, 2023 | 10:15 AM





CONNECTING FAITH,
FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY

Welcome to Central

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

Overflow seating is available in the East Parlor.

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: Roger Dahl
Crucifer: John Lowe
Hosts: Scott Bandstra,
Matt & Carmen Getting,
Susan Hemminger
Children's Time: Susan Stroope

Music Director & Organist:

Rich Dewein

Music: Central College Chamber Singers, directed by Mark Babcock Audio & Editing: Ben Patzlaff

Video: Jann Freed

For online giving, go to www.dmcpc.org/give.

The flowers in the chancel have been given by Mark & Barb Schmidt in celebration of their grandsons birthdays, Felix, February 26, and Alden, April 10.

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments following the service in the East Parlor. Hosted by: Ray & Barb Getting

Be sure to silence all cell phones.

◆ = All who are able, please stand.

The Worship of God

GATHFRING

PRELUDE

Praise and Thanksgiving setting by Jeffrey Blersch
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today, Alleluia! Healey Willan

CALL TO WORSHIP

Iona Community

Sometimes believing, sometimes doubting—

We come to God's house.

Sometimes weeping, sometimes laughing—

We come to God's house.

Sometimes afraid, sometimes joyful—

We come to God's house.

Whoever we are, whatever has happened to us,

here we are welcome—

For this day and this house belong to God.

◆ HYMN 234 ST. KEVIN

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHORAL INTROIT O Filii et Filiae

Central College Chamber Singers Ivo Antognini

Translation:

Ye sons and daughters of the King, Whom heavenly hosts in glory sing, To-day the grave hath lost its sting. Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days, To God your hearts and voices raise In laud, and jubilee, and praise. Alleluia!

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S TIME

Susan Stroope

BAPTISM

INTRODUCTION

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Mina Ruby Caron

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.

On the third day, he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father. and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM

HYMN 492

You Belong to Christ

YOU BELONG TO CHRIST

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 20:19-31

pew Bible, NT p. 101

ANTHEM

I Will Be a Child of Peace

Alleluia

Central College Chamber Singers

Elaine Hagenberg

Ralph Manuel

SERMON

Don't Stop Believin'

Wallace W. Bubar

◆ HYMN 817

DUNIAP'S CREEK

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIVING OUR FAITH

Roger Dahl, One Great Hour of Sharing

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

With joy and thanksgiving,
we welcome you into this community of faith.
We promise you our love and our care,
our friendship and our support.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
may we continue to grow together
in the knowledge and love of God,
as we live out the call to be the church of Jesus Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of life:

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

Central College Chamber Singers arr. Moses Hogan

The Battle of Jericho

◆ DOXOLOGY 609 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

• HYMN 238

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

◆ BENEDICTION

• CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You

Central College Chamber Singers E. Fred Morris

POSTLUDE E – Flat Major

Johann Kaspar Ferdinand Fischer

Upcoming Events

Fellowship, Faith, & Film Sunday, April 16, 5:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
This month's feature film is Songs My Brothers Taught Me. A drama set on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, exploring the bond between brother and sister. Bring a friend! Refreshments will be provided.

Wednesday Night Book Study Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, Room 201

We are currently reading Henri Nouwen's book, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. This book reflects a long spiritual adventure after Nouwen experienced an encounter with a reproduction of Rembrandt's painting, The Return of the Prodigal Son. Books are available in the church office, Kindle and even Audible.

Sunday School

Sundays, 9:15-10:00 AM, Room 101

Sunday school for elementary children is underway, with an eightweek long study of the Gospel of John, followed by a five-week long study of The Lord's Prayer. Classes are offered from 9:15-10:00 AM. Any children from grades K-5 are welcome to attend. Classes are taught by Medea Saunders. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Medea at msaunders@dmcpc.org.

Habitat for Humanity Panel Build Saturday, May 20, 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, West parking lot Central Presbyterian Church and



AT&T volunteers are ready to serve again, for one busy day of building walls. There are two half-day shifts -we need 22 people each shift. No experience necessary. Volunteers must be 16 years old. Contact Todd Mattison or the Church Office at 515-279-3658.

Through the Church the Song Goes On

Hymn Festival featuring Mark Sedio with the Central Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir Sunday, May 14, 4:00 PM, Sanctuary

Join us for a wonderful musical experience, which is part of Central's 175th anniversary celebration.

A hymn festival differs from a choral concert, in that it is interactive and everyone in attendance gets to sing. This hymn festival will include a number of beloved congregational hymns for all to sing, along with a couple of choral anthems, interspersed with readings.

Mark Sedio is an internationally-known organist, conductor, and composer, having presented hymn festivals, recitals, and workshops throughout North America and Europe.

For two decades, he served as organist and choir director at Central Lutheran Church in downtown Minneapolis. He has also has held



various faculty and instructor positions at Augsburg University, Gustavus Adolphus College, and Luther Seminary.

Over 125 of his compositions for organ, piano, choral and instrumental ensembles are available from a variety of publishers. His hymn tunes, texts and harmonization appear in various denominational hymnals and supplements. He chaired the worship committee for the 2008 national convention of the American Guild of Organists and has served as liturgical and musical consultant for numerous denominational gatherings. He is a graduate of Augsburg University and the University of Iowa.

We are very excited to be able to bring him to Des Moines.

This Week @ Central

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Sunday, April 16
    9:00 AM Adult Education (Room 201)
    9:15 AM Sunday School (Room 101)
    9:15 AM Commission of Session (Fireside Room)
   10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
   11:15 AM Fellowship Time (East Parlor)
    5:00 PM Fellowship, Faith & Film (Fellowship Hall)
Monday, April 17
   11:00 AM Fritz James Memorial Service (Sanctuary)
    5:00 PM Session Meeting (Room 201)
Tuesday, April 18
   10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Room 201)
   12:00 PM Community Conversations Committee (Room 201)
    7:00 PM Christian Education Committee (Zoom)
Wednesday, April 19
   10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 201)
    5:15 PM Central Kids (Fellowship Hall)
    5:15 PM Middle School Youth (Room 5)
    6:30 PM Morgen Bell Rehearsal (Room 208)
    7:00 PM Book Study (Room 201)
    7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Cownie Chapel)
Friday, April 21
   12:00 PM Church Office Closed
Sunday, April 23
    9:00 AM Adult Education (Room 201)
    9:15 AM Sunday School (Room 101)
   10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
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11:15 AM Fellowship Time (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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