
THE DAY OF PENTECOST

May 28, 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.

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: Kevin Egge

Crucifer: John Lowe

Hosts: Ted Brown, Matt & Carmen

Getting and Ray Getting

Children's Time: Medea Saunders

Music Director: Rich Dewein

Organist: Lois Harms

Music: Chancel Choir

Audio: Kevin Klimowski

Editing & Video: Ben Patzlaff

The flowers in the chancel are given by Marge Edwards and family in loving memory of Jim Edwards.

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

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments following the service in the East Parlor.

Hosted by: Laura Payne & Rob Hopson.

Be sure to silence all cell phones.

♦ = All who are able, please stand.

The Worship of God

GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord
Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire*

Dietrich Buxtehude
Wilbur Held

CALL TO WORSHIP

Iona Community

Breath of God, Breath of life,
Breath of deepest yearning—
Come, Holy Spirit!
Comforter, Disturber,
Counselor, Enthuser—
Come, Holy Spirit!
Heavenly friend, Holy fire,
Revealer of truth, Midwife of change—
Come, Holy Spirit!

♦ HYMN 280

EBENEZER

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Almighty and ever-living God,
you fulfilled the promise of Easter
by sending the gift of your Holy Spirit.
Look upon your people gathered in prayer,
open to receive the Spirit's flame.
May it come to rest in our hearts
and heal the divisions of word and tongue,
that with one voice and one song
we may praise your name in joy and thanksgiving;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CANTICLE 240

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks (refrain)

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S TIME

Medea Saunders

BAPTISM

INTRODUCTION

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Harrison Emmet McGuire

♦ 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

You Belong to Christ

WORD

FIRST READING

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Acts 2:1–21

pew Bible, NT p. 103–104

ANTHEM

Al Shlosha D'varim

Chancel Choir

Nancy Boyd, soloist

Allan E. Naplan

Al shlosha, al shlosha
D'varim haolam kayam
Al shlosha, al shlosha
D'varim haolam kayam

Translation:

The world is sustained by
three things, by truth,
by justice, and by peace.

Al haemet v'al hadin
V'al hashalom, hashalom
Al haemet v'al hadin
V'al hashalom, hashalom

Hashalom, hashalom, hashalom.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 7:37–39

pew Bible, NT p. 87

SERMON

Caution: Flammable

Wallace W. Bubar

♦ HYMN 290

O Day of Joy and Wonder

JONATHAN'S TUNE

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Come Down, O Love Divine

Wilbur Held

♦ DOXOLOGY 609

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

♦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

♦ HYMN 300

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

We Are One in the Spirit

♦ BENEDICTION

♦ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Come, Creator, Spirit

René Quignard

Upcoming Events

175th Anniversary Celebration

Join us for this wonderful weekend of celebration! Among the special guests joining us will be former pastors Carl Cooper, Karen Chakoian, Jim Wallace, and Jan Scott.



*Saturday, June 10, 5:00 PM,
Wakonda Club, 3915 Fleur Drive*

Saturday night's program includes a social hour with music, dinner, remarks by former pastors, and a video about our church's rich history. **Reservations for dinner are still being accepted.** RSVP today by contacting the church office at 515-279-3658. Complimentary valet parking will be available.

Sunday, June 11, 10:15 AM, Sanctuary

The festive worship service will include music by the Chancel Choir and Morgen Bells, and Karen Chakoian preaching.

Pedalin' Presbyterians Bike Ride

Monday, May 29, 4:00 PM

The Pedalin' Presbyterians are back! Join us on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, at 4:00 PM. The ride will cover 16 miles along the Neal Smith Trail.

The starting point will be near North High School, where there is ample parking south of the school by Birdland Pool. The trail is wooded with moderate hills, and runs along the Des Moines River. The trail surface is blacktop. The turnaround point will be at the Bob Shelter Recreation Area, just south of the dam. After the ride, joins us for a meal at All Pho You, 4120 University Avenue, or another mutual choice. For questions, contact David Simpson.

Luncheon for Sheryl Puderbaugh

Wednesday, May 31, 12:00 PM, East Parlor

Sheryl Puderbaugh has announced her plans to leave Central at the end of May, in order to devote her time and energies to her new pastoral call in Paullina. Please join us for a catered luncheon in her honor. Bring a card to express your gratitude for her time among us here at Central.

Ways to Welcome the Stranger

Sunday, June 4, 11:30 AM, Fireside Room

On March 5, the World and Community Concerns Committee held an informational event featuring refugees and the local agencies supporting them. We are following up with a meeting for interested Central members immediately after church next week. The program is short. Five minutes on addressing immediate needs and five more on a larger Tri-Presbytery effort for congregations to work cooperatively. Please come and sign up for anything that interests you. Know that you will be extending a welcome to new metro residents.

VBS Volunteer Meeting

Sunday, June 4, 11:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

At this meeting volunteers will receive detailed information about each day, go over safety procedures, try out some Vacation Bible School activities, trouble shoot for their stations, and ask questions about VBS. For more information contact Medea Saunders at msaunders@dmcp.org.

Summer Bible Study: **“The Gospel of Light, Life, and Love”**

Wednesdays, starting June 7, 10:00 AM, Room 201

This summer, during the months of June and July, Don Elly will be leading the Wednesday morning Bible study group. The focus will be on the Gospel of John, continuing the study that the group has been doing the past couple of months.

Don is a retired minister in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) A graduate of San Francisco Theological Seminary, he was ordained in 1968. He has served as an associate pastor, pastor, and interim pastor of several

congregations in the metro area, including Covenant Presbyterian Church, Fort Des Moines Presbyterian Church, and Union Park Presbyterian Church. For 26 years, he served as a hospital chaplain/counselor at UnityPoint Health. During the summer of 2021, he served as Central's interim sabbatical minister. Don currently leads the "Happy Hour" Bible Study Group at West Des Moines United Methodist Church. We're looking forward to welcoming him back to Central.

Vacation Bible School

June 12-16, 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Save the date for our 2023 Vacation Bible School, "Pets Unleashed." This will be a fun week of learning about our theme of "Jesus Cares for Us." It will include music, playground, projects with purpose, and a pet blessing! Open to students in kindergarten to 5th grade. For information contact Medea Saunders at 515-279-3658.

OUCH - Overcoming Unintentional Chronic Health

Thursdays, 6:00 to 7:00 PM, Room 206

Matt Getting is starting a support group for those suffering from chronic illness and their families in coping and managing illness in a compassionate, empathetic, safe space using ethical and empirically proven strategies.

Service of Testimony & Storytelling

Sunday, June 18, 10:15 AM

We are continuing the summer tradition that began several years ago, and are looking for some storytellers! This service will include three or four brief stories from church members. A good story should come from your own personal experience, have some spiritual element, and be no longer than five minutes. It could be uplifting, or poignant, or funny. It could be a profound experience you had growing up. It could be about a person who touched your life in a significant way. It could be a time when you came to see God in a new way. If you are interested in participating and sharing your story, contact Wallace Bubar at wbubar@dmcpcc.org or 515-279-3658.

This Week @ Central

Sunday, May 28

- 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)

Monday, May 29

Office Closed – Memorial Day Holiday

- 4:00 PM Pedalin' Presbyterians (Neal Smith Trail)

Tuesday, May 30

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Room 201)

Wednesday, May 31

- 10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 201)
- 12:00 PM Sheryl Puderbaugh Luncheon (East Parlor)
- 6:15 PM Morgen Bell Rehearsal (Room 208)
- 7:00 PM Book Study (Room 201)

Friday, June 2

- 12:00 PM Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 4

- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship Time (East Parlor)
- 11:30 AM Ways to Welcome the Stranger (Fireside Room)
- 11:30 AM VBS Volunteer Training (Fellowship Hall)

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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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