
THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 28, 2024 | 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 a **Community Connection card** in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You can also scan the following **QR Code** on your smart phone:



Childcare for children up to **age 5** is provided in our nursery until 11:30 AM. The nursery is 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:

Pastor: Rev. Sarai Schnucker Rice

Liturgist: Will Page

Hosts: Ray & Barb Getting,
Joe & Kathy Haines

Song Leader: Mike Bassett

Organist: Lois Harms

Music: Lisa Modlin

Audio: Marvin Minor

Editing & Video: Matt Van Winkle

The flowers in the chancel have been given by

Roger Scholten & Iris Post in appreciation for the wonderful staff at Central!

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: **Holly Klotz & David Simpson.**

Be sure to silence all cell phones.

♦ = All who are able, please stand.

The Worship of God

GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

Wilbur Held
Jonathan Reuss

CALL TO WORSHIP

All your works shall give thanks to you, O God,
and all your faithful shall bless you.

**For you uphold all who are falling
and raise up all who are bowed down.**

All look to you;

you give them their food in due season.

**You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.**

We lift our hearts and hands in thanks to you.

◆ HYMN 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God who provides,

we proclaim that your power,

at work within us,

is able to accomplish abundantly far more
than all we can ask or imagine.

Where we see scraps, you envision a feast;

when we fret about scarcity, you set a table of abundance.

In a society based on consuming and owning,
teach us the way of receiving instead of taking
and the path of gratitude instead of grumbling.

Guide us in generosity

towards those in our neighborhoods

and around the globe who lack basic necessities
or struggle in poverty and famine.

This we pray through Christ, who fills us with love
that surpasses all knowledge. Amen.

CANTICLE 581

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

Glory Be to the Father

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14
pew Bible, NT p. 458

SPECIAL MUSIC

Amazing Grace

Lisa Modlin, pianist
John Newton
Arr. by Glenda Austin

NEW TESTAMENT READING

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 3:14–21
pew Bible, NT p. 171

SERMON

Rooted in Love

Sarai Schnucker Rice

◆ **HYMN 629**

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

ST. AGNES

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy:
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

O Had I Jubal's Lyre

George F. Handel

◆ DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

◆ HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

◆ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Jonathan Reuss

Events

Pedalin' Presbyterians

Sunday, July 28, 5:00 PM

Cooper Creek, 4390 E. University, Pleasant Hill

Looking for a different route for biking?

Join us on Sunday, July 28, for Pedalin' Presbyterians that will start at Copper Creek trailhead, 4390 E. University, Pleasant Hill. Meet at 4:45 PM, ride at 5:00 PM. The trails are basically flat

from Pleasant Hill to Altoona. We return to LaFeria Mexican Restaurant (4450 E. University) for optional dinner. All speeds are welcome, and no RSVP is needed. Questions? Call Mark or Barb Schmidt at 515-402-0263 or 515-707-0167.



Guest Pastor: The Rev. Don Elly

Sunday, August 4, 10:15 AM, Sanctuary

Don Elly is Central's Parish Associate and runs Central's Adult Education program. He has been an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) since 1968. He served congregations in Burnsville, NC, and Livonia, MI. Locally, he pastored Covenant Presbyterian Church in West Des Moines, and was stated supply pastor and interim pastor of Union Park Presbyterian Church.



Out of Town—Administrative & Pastoral Support

Rev. Sarai Rice and Office Manager, Kimberly Sanford, will be on vacation from August 1–13. For pastoral care needs please notify

Rev. Don Elly at 515-419-1527; and for management assistance contact Finance Director, **Katrin Nayak** at 515-279-3658 or

knayak@dmcpc.org. The Church Office will be covered by Sheri Egge and Kathy Haines from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM, Mon–Thurs.; and 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM on Fri.

Party on the Patio

Thursday, August 8, 5:00 PM, East Courtyard

Join us on **Thursday, August 8 at 5:00 PM** for refreshments in the East Courtyard and **bring a friend.**

We'll enjoy a beverage, sweet and savory snacks, and fellowship.

Hosted by the
Membership Committee.



Middle & High School Youth Group Outing

Sunday, August 25, 5:00 –7:00 PM, Grays Lake

My name is **Garrison Hazen**, and I am the new Christian Education director here at Central in charge of the children, middle school, and high school ministries. I'd love a chance to get to meet you and your kids before our programming kicks off in September and I am planning an event to make this happen. For Middle and High School students on **August 25, 5:00–7:00 PM** at **Grays Lake**. We will

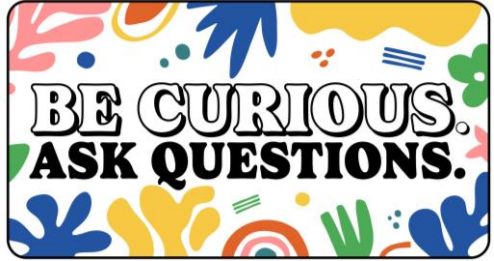


meet on the concrete terrace where tables are located at the south end of the lake. This will be a time to have fellowship, get to know one another, and hear about what they enjoy! You provide your transportation to and from the lake. Wear swimsuits and bring towels if you are boating or going in the lake. *Life jackets are required and will be provided for those using any of the boats.* **Dinner will be served on the concrete patio.**

Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 25, 10:15 AM, Sanctuary

Please join us in worship on **August 25, 10:15 AM**, for a special **Blessing of the Backpacks** (book bags, briefcases, totes, diaper bags etc.) Children and adults of all ages are invited to bring their bags to church to be blessed with a prayer as we celebrate this special time of year when every student returns to school with a million questions.



Let's send them off with a great start and a huge blessing!

"Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you." — Matthew 7:7

Hymn Sing: Time to Choose Your Favorite Hymns

Sunday, August 25, 10:15 AM, Sanctuary

As we have had in the previous years, Sunday, August 25th, will be your opportunity for us to sing the hymns you most request. It isn't, of course, possible for us to sing all the hymns you like, but we will tally the results and will sing some of the verses from the MOST requested songs and incorporate them into the service.



Request forms are available in the pews, which you can complete and **place in the offering plate**, and forms are also available in the church office. **Deadline** for submitting Hymn choices: **Wednesday, August 14.**

Bible Study: The Book of Romans

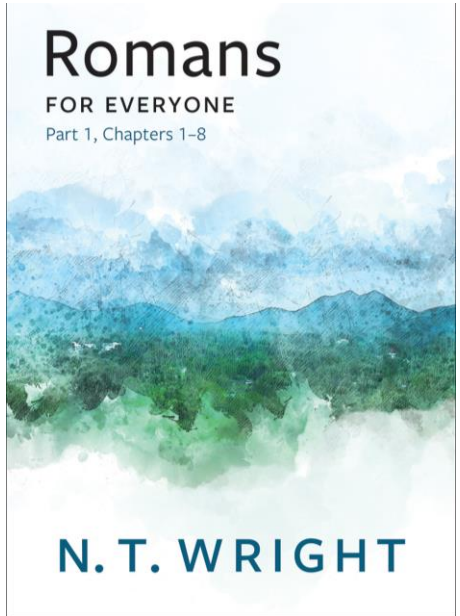
Wednesdays, 10:00 AM, Room 201

Join Pastor Don Elly as he presents a series from The Book of Romans. As you study Romans, you will see God's justice and grace as He saves sinners through the merits and righteousness of Christ. Romans is a clear depiction of God's love for his people, providing salvation and redemption through Christ, by faith alone and by grace alone. Our Bible Study class meets each Wednesday morning at 10:00 AM in person, in Room 201, or on Zoom. Everyone is

welcome. To join using Zoom click here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81369903809> and enter

Meeting ID: 813 6990 3809.



If you have any questions, contact the church office at 515-279-3658.

This Week @ Central

Sunday, July 28

- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship (East Parlor)
- 5:00 PM Pedalin' Presbyterians (*Cooper Creek, 4390 E. University, Pleasant Hill*)

Monday, July 29

- 9:00 AM ChicoMetrics exercise group (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Room 101)
- 5:00 PM Stewardship Committee (Room 201)
- 7:00 PM ALANON (Room 206)
- 8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 30

Wednesday, July 31

- 9:00 AM ChicoMetrics exercise group (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 201)
- 5:30 PM PNC (Room 201)

Thursday, August 1

- 5:30 PM World & Community Concerns Committee (Room 201)

Friday, August 2

- 9:00 AM ChicoMetrics exercise group (Fellowship Hall)
- 11:00 AM Centering Prayer (Cownie Chapel)
- 12:00 PM Office Closes)

Saturday, August 3

- 8:15 AM Habitat 2024 Faith Build (offsite)
- 9:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous (Room 201)

Sunday, August 4

- 10:15 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship (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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