
THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 10, 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 from 9:00–11:30 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: Bill Green

Crucifer: John Lowe

Hosts: Matt & Carmen Getting,
Susan Hemminger, Mark Schmidt

Music Directors: Rich Dewein and
Mary Pohlmann

Organist: Lois Harms

Children's Time: Garrison Hazen

Music: Chancel Choir and
Children's Choir

Audio: Marvin Minor

Video: Jann Freed

Editing: Matt Van Winkle

The flowers in the chancel
have been given by

Connie Klug & Paul Tavernier
in memory of their parents,
Ken & Iris Tavernier, and Bill
& Velma Auwaerter.

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: Ashley Pitts

Be sure to silence all cell phones.

◆ = All who are able, please stand.

The Worship of God

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Christ Is Coming!
How Firm a Foundation

Edward Broughton
Robert A. Hobby

CALL TO WORSHIP

As we gather for worship,
let us offer praise to God.
As we join voices and hearts,
we learn the importance of each one of us.
As we find unity in the wider body of Christ,
we learn that our whole is more than its parts.
Let us worship God.

♦ HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

♦ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Giving God,
as we share what we have,
seeking to further your work in this world,
remind us that abundance
does not always mean extravagance
and that humble offerings are holy.
Whether we offer a grand gesture,
a simple meal,
or two small coins,
lead us in the way of generosity. Amen.

♦ CANTICLE 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

◆ **GREETING**

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

ANTHEM

Wade in the Water

Children's Chorus
arr. by Max V. Exner

Wade in the water,
Wade in the water, children,
wade in the water;
God's goin' to trouble the water.

See that bad all dressed white!
God's goin' trouble the water.
The leader looks like the Israelite.
God's goin' to trouble the water.

See that band all dressed in red!
God's goin' to trouble the water.
It must be the band that Moses led.
God's goin' to trouble the water.

WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

Garrison Hazen
Sunday School will follow, after Children's Time
Ages K–Grade 5, Room 102

OLD TESTAMENT READING

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146
pew Bible, OT p. 544–545

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Mark 12:38–44
pew Bible, NT p. 43

SERMON

Sarai Schnucker Rice

How to Believe

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Declaration of Faith

We declare that Jesus is Lord.

PCUSA, 1977

His resurrection is a decisive victory

Over the powers that deform and destroy human life.

His lordship is hidden.

The world appears to be dominated by people and systems

That do not acknowledge his rule.

But his lordship is real.

It demands our loyalty and sets us free

From the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us.

We maintain that ultimate sovereignty

Now belongs to Jesus Christ

In every sphere of life.

Jesus is Lord!

He has been Lord from the beginning.

He will be Lord at the end.

Even now he is Lord.

◆ HYMN 36

AR HYDY NOS

For the Fruit of All Creation

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35 (debts/debtors)

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

For the Fruit of All Creation

Michael Burkhardt

◆ DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

◆ HYMN 336

We Gather Together

KREMSER

◆ BENEDICTION

◆ CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Toccata on How Firm a Foundation

Craig Phillips

Events

2025 Stewardship Raffle—And The Winners Are!

Thank you to everyone who made a pledge by Friday, November 1, to enter the stewardship raffle prize drawing. Out of 83 **TOTAL** pledges received, congratulations to **John McCarroll and Mary Eggers McCarroll**—winner of a \$250 Oak Park gift certificate! Out of 5 **NEW** pledges received, congratulations to **Nate and Andrea Boulton**—winner of a Yeti Tundra 45 Hard Cooler!

Please contact or stop by the church office to receive your prize. If you haven't made a pledge yet, please consider doing so at your earliest convenience so that the Business & Finance Committee can finalize the church budget for Session approval in January. If we haven't heard from you, the Stewardship Committee will be reaching out—so please get those pledges in!



2025 Stewardship Campaign

If you have not yet returned a pledge card, please do so today.

as of November 6, 2024

2025 Budget / Goal	\$725,223	
Received		
83 Pledge cards returned totaling	\$418,085	57.6%
Of the Pledges Received:		
57 are increased in the amount of (\$32,308 increase)	\$351,155	
6 are decreased in the amount of (\$14,080 decrease)	\$33,140	
15 are unchanged in the amount of	\$26,150	
5 are new pledges in the amount	\$7,640	
TOTAL	\$418,085	

2024 AMOS Variety Show—AMOS' GOT TALENT

Saturday, November 9, 6:00 PM, Ames United Church of Christ

Join talent from across AMOS' 40+ institutions and enjoy an afternoon of entertainment and enjoyment. Proceeds from the AMOS Variety Show support the work of AMOS and its goal of building power for working families across Central Iowa and beyond. Tickets are \$25 per person and sold at the door, or in advance at <https://www.amo-iowa.org/varietyshow>. Doors open at 6:00 PM; the show starts at 7:00 PM.

The Community Land Trust Advisory Committee

Wednesday, November 20, 5:00–6:30 PM, DSM Central Library

Join us on Wednesday, November 20th from 5:00—6:30 PM at the Des Moines Central Library for an Open House! The Community Land Trust (CLT) Advisory Committee is excited to share initial decisions, discuss the next steps, and introduce work group opportunities. We're looking for enthusiastic individuals to help shape our mission to provide permanently affordable housing in Central Iowa. Contact **Susan Stroope** for more information.

Southwest Iowa Community College Choir to Sing in Concert—

Monday, November 25, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

The Southwest Iowa Community College Choir (SWICC) will present their annual concert on **Monday, November 25 at 7:00 PM**. This is a tradition that Central welcomes each year. Due to a change in the school calendar at SWICC, they can present only ONE concert in the metro area this year and that will be at Central. Be sure to **SAVE THE DATE!** They will present a wide variety of music, including holiday selections. Central has well-supported this annual event and it is always good to see a large audience support the music presented by these excellent musicians. A free-will offering will be taken to help with their expenses.

Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 24, 3:00–4:00 PM, Sanctuary

Come join us as we decorate the church for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.

Deacons' Thanksgiving Baskets

Saturday, November 23—Assembly and Distribution Times TBD

Help our Deacons partner with Des Moines Refugee Support to assemble customized Thanksgiving boxes. This has been a fun and meaningful project to provide something other than turkey and green beans to our Afghan, Haitian, Hispanic, and African neighbors.

You can give by sending a check made out to “Central Presbyterian, with Thanksgiving Baskets noted in the memo line, or you may give online at <https://dmcp.org/give/> and select the “Thanksgiving Baskets” fund.

Christmas Poinsettias & Holiday Decorations

Deadline for Orders—Friday, December 6

Order forms are available in the Church Office and online. You can also contribute online to the Giving Portal, at www.dmcp.org/give/. Please complete and return the form with the honor and memorial information to Kimberly, at ksanford@dmcp.org or stop by the church office to drop off your form and payment. All orders must be in the Church Office by **Friday, December 6, 2024**.

Christmas Pageant—Volunteers Needed!

Sunday, December 15, 5:00 PM (Sanctuary)

Once again it is time to start planning for our annual Christmas Pageant! Also, we are on the lookout for volunteers. We need help with costumes, leading children's groups, and decorating. It takes many hands to help make our pageant a success so please consider joining us. The sign-up link for the Christmas Pageant is <https://tinyurl.com/ChristmasPageant24>.

Name Tags

Please remember to wear your name tag each Sunday to help us get better acquainted. Name tags are available in the Narthex. If you do not have a name tag, please contact the church office and one will be ordered for you.

This Week @ Central

Sunday, November 10

- 9:00 AM The Making of Biblical Womanhood (Room 201)
- 9:35 AM Children's Chorus Robing & Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:15 AM Worship w/ Children's Chorus (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 AM Sunday School—K through 5th Grade (Room 102)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship (East Parlor)
- 4:00 PM PNC (Room 201)

Monday, November 11

- 6:00 AM Deacons (Room 201)

Tuesday, November 12

- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting
- 3:30 PM Understanding Your Grief (Room 201)
- 5:00 PM Communications Committee (Room 201)

Wednesday, November 13

- 10:00 AM Bible Study (Room 201)
- 5:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee (Room 201)
- 5:00 PM Morgen Bells Rehearsal (Room 208)
- 5:15 PM Central Kids & Youth (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 PM Shelter Meal (CISS)
- 6:00 PM Children's Chorus (Room 4)
- 6:30 PM RingTones Rehearsal (Room 208)
- 6:30 PM Knitting into the Mystery (Room 112)
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Cownie Chapel)

Thursday, November 14

- 8:00 AM Business & Finance Committee (Room 201)

Friday, November 15

- 11:00 AM Centering Prayer (Cownie Chapel)
- 12:00 PM Office Closes

Sunday, November 17

- 10:15 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 AM Sunday School—K through 5th Grade (Room 102)
- 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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