

The Central Visitor

*A weekly visitor to your home bringing
you news from Central Christian Church
Our mission ... Sharing Christ,
Changing Lives, Delivering Hope*

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Heart and Soul Talent Show

Tuesday April 30, 7:00 p.m.

Friendship Center at Central Christian Church

The talent show gives an opportunity for each of the Heart and Soul singers to perform as a soloist or in a small group. They have a great time sharing their talent. This is always a fun evening and very rewarding for everyone. Please bring your best friends.

SUNDAY, April 21, 2019

WORSHIP AT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP AT 9:00 a.m.

Easter: Standing Tall Again

Text: *Luke 24:1-12*

Michael E. Karunas

Welcome New Members

Not only were Matt and Laura (Hillman) Moma married at Central two weekends ago, this past Sunday (4/14) they joined the church at the 9:00 a.m. service. Pictured here at their wedding on March 30, Matt and Laura have been regular attenders of the 9:00 service since they first began attending a year ago. We are blessed to have them and look forward to getting to know what a great couple they are.



Easter Offering 2019: "Abide in Me"

I am the vine, you are the branches.

*Those who abide in me and I in them bear
much fruit, because apart from me you
can do nothing." – John 15:5*

Just as our spirits bear fruit through the vine of Jesus Christ, our churches are enriched by our shared mission with our General Ministries. Support for the General Church is provided each year through a special offering we give on Palm Sunday and Easter. This Easter, let us reflect on the transformative ways that we have been impacted by those ministries, and by the fruits of our shared work. Please share your own "fruit" with a special gift on April 21.

DMH Hospice Looking for Volunteers



DMH Hospice volunteers work with patients and families in a 35 mile radius surrounding Decatur. They help out in many ways: Providing companionship for patients, respite for caregivers,

running errands, delivering supplies and making phone calls, light meal preparation or light housekeeping. Prior to becoming a volunteer, individuals must complete a brief interview, undertake background check, and attend hospice training. For more information contact Whitney Glosser at 876-6785.



Counting On You

Sunday, April 14, 2019

Worship Attendance 307

Sunday School & Small Groups.....68

Congratulations to the FaithQuest class for completing the 2019 training!



Easter Egg Hunt
2500 EGGS!
10 am Saturday!

ATTENTION THOSE SEEKING HIGHER EDUCATION!!!

Be sure to complete and return a scholarship application by May 1.

Minister's Article

Big Things Happening Here

What a big week in the life of Central Christian. Here are just a few of the many special things happening in our midst.

Welcome Aboard!



We are pleased to announce the hire of a new administrative assistant. Though we are grateful for Ashely Sparks' nearly five years of employment among us and will grieve the many wonderful things she brought our congregation, we are happy to welcome **Kathleen Dudley** aboard. Kathleen will begin her work officially on Tuesday, April 23. Originally from Decatur, she currently resides in Blue Mound with her husband, Justin, and children Gryphon (age 5) and Vivian (age 2). Kathleen has been a school secretary with Decatur Public Schools for nearly 15 years and comes to us with glowing references. She and her family attend Heartland Community Church. Kathleen is also known to some among us through Opus 24, where she sings as a 2nd Soprano. After April 23, please stop by the welcome center, personally introduce yourself and welcome her aboard.

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday

Before we get to the glorious and joyful empty tomb of Easter Sunday, we will pass through the more somber and reflective days of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. On **Thursday, April 18 at 7:00 p.m.** we will gather in the **sanctuary** for a service of *Tenebrae*. *Tenebrae* means "shadows" and refers to the darkening of the world as Jesus went to his death on Good Friday. Maundy Thursday is the name given to the day when Jesus held the last supper with his disciples. So it is that we will celebrate a special communion service in remembrance of that final meal with this friends. The following day, **April 19**, we will gather in the **Great Hall** for special **Good Friday service at 6:00 p.m.** This service will be based on the "Stations of the Cross," or the steps Christ took as he walked to the cross of his death. Both services promise to be moving and meaningful, and we hope that you will be able to participate in either (or both) of them as a way of enhancing the significance of the Easter Sunday celebration that is to come.



Baptisms this Sunday

Our six Faith Quest youth gave impressive testimonies on Palm Sunday and will be **baptized** this Sunday (Easter) at the 10:30 a.m. service. If you are not able to attend the service, consider checking out the live stream video once it is archived on Monday, April 22.

Blessings—**Michael**



Sunday, April 21, 2019

8:00-Traditional Worship Service

Music:

Offertory— Brass Choir

Anthem— *Joy in the Mornings*

9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall

9:00-Fellowship Coffee

9:00-Youth Sunday School Classes

9:15-Adult Sunday School Classes

10:30-Traditional Worship Service

12:00-Praise Team Rehearsal, Great Hall

Monday (22)

CHURCH & OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday (23)

7:00-Journeymen, Connection Café

9:00-ChristCare Stitches Retreat, 207

11:45-PS: Staff Meeting, 170

4:00-Millikin Children's Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

5:30-Lent Small Group, Disciples Room

6:30-Heart & Soul, Choir Room & Connection Café

7:00-Opus 24 Rehearsal

Wednesday (24)

10:15-Chapel, Friendship Center

10:30-Minister's Meeting

Thursday (25)

10:00-Al-Anon, 240

11:45-CINC, Disciples' Room

3:00-Capital Campaign, Conference Room

4:00-Journeymen 2, Connection Café

5:30-Spanish Conversations Class, 240

6:00-Brass Choir, Disciples' Room

7:00-Chancel Choir

Friday (26)

Saturday (27)

4:00-Millikin University Children's Choir Concert

Sunday (28)

8:00-Worship Service

9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall

9:00-Fellowship Coffee

9:00-Youth Sunday School Classes

9:15-Adult Sunday School Classes

10:30-Worship Service

12:00-Praise Team Rehearsal, Great Hall

12:00-Mission Trip Meeting, Disciples' Room

2:00-Millikin Women Concert, Great Hall

4:00-Spring Concert

JOIN US Holy Week!

April 14-21
Central Christian Church
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PALM SUNDAY
~~Contemporary 9 am~~
~~Traditional 8 & 10:30 am~~

MAUNDY THURSDAY
 Traditional 7 pm

GOOD FRIDAY
 Contemporary 6 pm

SATURDAY
 Easter Egg Hunt 10 am

EASTER SUNDAY
 Contemporary 9 am
 Traditional 8 & 10:30 am

Chalice Class

Title: *The Mystery of Easter*

Focus: A recent article indicates that scientists may have solved the mystery of the statues on Easter Island. As human beings, what is it about mystery that intrigues us? As Christians, how does the mystery of the Resurrection guide and inspire our faith?

In the Hospital...

DMH:
 No One

St. Mary's:
 No One

Serving Schedule—Sunday, April 21, 2019

Elders:

8:00 & 10:30 - Penny Rutherford, Janet Lyman

Outreach Communion:

Vicki Woolridge Connie Border
Gail Prince Kevin Miller
David Wagner

Deacons:

8:00 - Team 3 - Sid & Krista Rohrscheib, Jane Davis, Mike Munos,
Bob Muschal, Pat Penhallegon, Bobby Munos, Becky Johnston,
Carolyn McCall
10:30 - Team 4 - Jeannie Backes, Matthew Swarthout, Jon French,
David Martin, Mike & Gretchen Kirby, Mark Beal, Doug Soebbing,
Roger Rutherford, Ron & Gwen Miller, Seth Martin,
Pam Ferguson, Brittney Moran, Pam Larrick, Shelby Baum

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 4 - Hazel Perry, Capt., Jerry & Susie Bean, Karen Penn
10:30 - Team 9 - Kim Miller, Capt., Audrey Miller, Ron Oliver, Bill Modlin

Greeters:

8:00 - Gregg & Linda Foltz
10:30 - Barb Tyler, Pamela Ferguson

Acolytes:

10:30 - Emmy & Jane Osman

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Donna Dash
10:30 - Jim Hinze

Preparation of Communion:

Donna Dash, Gregg & Linda Foltz

Ride Share Drivers:

8:00 & 9:00 Services & Sunday School - Mark Beal 433-6081
Sunday School and 10:30 service - Doug Soebbing 875-1836

Sunday School Classes	Floor	Room
Koinonia	2	212
Ecclesia	2R	240
Chalice	2	207
6th grade - 12th grade	2R	280
Kindergarten - 5th grade	2R	230
Nursery (Birth - 5 years old)	1R	150

Main Entrance Door Hosts:

April 22 CHURCH & OFFICE CLOSED
April 23 8:30-12:00—Betty Chapman
April 24 8:30-12:00—Jane Davis
April 25 8:30-12:00—Carolyn McCall
April 26 8:30-12:00—Yvonne Purcell

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David Martin.....Youth Director
Cordelia "Dee Dee" GainOrganist
Ashely Sparks.....Administrative Assistant
Yvonne Boyd.....Administrative Assistant
Monica Hernandez.....Nursery Attendant
Cheryl Williams.....Nursery Attendant
Chloe JancosekNursery Attendant
Hannah BrimmerNursery Attendant
Jennifer Van Dyke.....Preschool Director
Angela Moore.....Teacher Assistant
Paula Partain.....Teacher Assistant
Lisa Coates.....Preschool Teacher
Kay Villarreal.....Preschool Teacher
Sharon Renfro.....Preschool Teacher
Diana Murray.....Preschool Teacher
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