

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL, MARCH 14–20, 2010

SUNDAY	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00–10:45	Children's Sunday School & Young Adult Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service Following Worship: Single Mingle (Rowe's)
MONDAY	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Child's Play
	2:00 p.m.	Stained Glass Home School Choir (Choir Room)
	6:30 p.m.	ACPJ (Connections)
	6:30 p.m.	NAMI Support Group (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee (Food Pantry Room)
WEDNESDAY	10:00–11:30	Food Pantry
	12:05 p.m.	Lenten Service and Lunch (Marquis Memorial UMC serving)
	6:00 p.m.	Women's NA (Eagon Hall)
THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	Central Ringers
	9:00 a.m.	Child's Play
	5:45 p.m.	Children's Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
FRIDAY		Newsletter Deadline
SATURDAY	8:15 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
	8:30 a.m.	Stop Hunger Now Packaging Event (Christ UMC)
	6:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)

IN MINISTRY

General Ministers.....	364
Pastor.....	Stephanie M Sault
Pastoral Assistant.....	Daniel K. Purdom
Retired Missionary Professor.....	Hunter P. Mabry
Professor MBC.....	Kenneth A. Beals
Minister of Music/Organist.....	Sherry von Oeyen
Church Secretary.....	Agnes Campbell
Custodian.....	Janet Nuckoles
District Superintendent.....	Kathleen Overby Webster
Resident Bishop.....	Charlene Payne Kammerer

*The Mission
of Central UMC
is to make disciples
of Jesus Christ.*



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Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,
he is a new
creation; the
old has gone,
the new
has come!



2 Corinthians 5:17

*Morning Worship
Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 14, 2010 11:00 a.m.*

The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude..... "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"
arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Central Ringers

*Greeting

A shepherd seeks a lost sheep,
so God seeks and saves the lost.

Like a woman who searches for a lost coin
until it is found,

**so God welcomes us,
and lets the past be the past.**

Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving
that we are received.

**Let us receive and welcome and
rejoice over one another
in the name of Jesus Christ.**

*Hymn 98..... "To God Be the Glory"

*Opening Prayer..... *U. M. Book of Worship*

**Almighty and everlasting God,
in whom we live and move and
have our being,
you created us for yourself,
so that our hearts are restless
until they find rest in you.**

(Continued)

*Please stand as able

**Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose
that no selfish passion may hinder us
from knowing your will,
and no weakness from doing it.
In your light may we see life clearly
and in your service find perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Children's Focus

Proclamation and Response

Prayer for Illumination

(After the reading of the Scripture Lesson the reader will say: "This is the Word of the Lord.")

*The congregation responds: **Thanks be to God.***

First Reading. Joshua 5:9-12 (Pew Bible, Page 171)

Psalter 766. Psalm 32

Second Reading. 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (Pew Bible, Page 940)

Musical Offering: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Central Ringers

*Gospel Reading. Luke 15:1-3. 11b-32 (Pew Bible, Page 850)

Sermon. Rev. Dr. Stephanie Sault

Response to the Word

Pastoral Prayer and Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer *(Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.)*

Offering: "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" Cruger / Burkhardt

*Congregational Response. Hymn 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Affirmation of Faith. Page 884

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Invitation

Celebration of Holy Communion. Pages 15-16, A Service of Word and Table III

Hymns: 348, 347, 172

Sending Forth

*Hymn 172. "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

*Blessing and Sending Forth

*Congregational Response: Hymn 2129. "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

**I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus—no turning back, no turning back.**

*Postlude: "O Help Me, Lord, to Praise Thee". J. S. Bach

GREETERS: Cheryl Kent, Evelyn Butler

READER: Judd Bankert

COMMUNION: Judi and Ron Jones, Carolyn and Ed Smith

USHERS: Tom Spotts, Jim Printy, Jack True, Tom Davis, Judd Bankert, Ed Smith, Joe Hill, Mike Melton, Jim Linnane

TO OUR GUESTS: We are delighted to have you worship with us. All the opportunities and programs of Central are available to you. To become a member of this fellowship, please talk with the pastor after the service. Following the service will be a time of refreshment and fellowship. Please join us so that we might get better acquainted.

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT to sign the attendance slip in your pew; and, if you are a member here, please introduce yourself to anyone who might be visiting with us today. Your warmth and hospitality will be a blessing in someone's life today.

THE COMMUNION RAIL is open for prayer at any time, but particularly during the pastoral prayer, during Communion, during the final hymn, and after the worship service. If you would like someone to pray with you, please let the pastor know.

CHILDREN are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Following the Children's Focus, children under 6 years of age may go to the play room. Later, during the Doxology, they will be brought back into the Sanctuary to participate with their parents in the Great Thanksgiving and receiving the Lord's Supper. We welcome the participation of the youngest members of the family of faith.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST? Please note it in our Prayer Book (located in the Narthex), and our prayer ministry team will join you in praying for the person/need.

THE FLOWERS today are given in thanksgiving for birthdays and anniversaries by Dionny and Luz de Tablan.

THE ROSEBUDS on our altar today are in honor of twins born to Andrew and Suzanne Noto. Lily Gwyneth and James Andrew were born Wednesday, March 9. They have a sister, Valerie.

WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN SERVICE – A short worship service in the Sanctuary begins at 12:05 p.m., following which a Soup and Sandwich Luncheon will be served in the Fellowship Hall (\$2 donation). The service and lunch are planned to fit into the noon "lunch hour." Both are open to the public, and everyone is invited to participate. The Rev. Doug Akers of Marquis Memorial UMC will preach this Wednesday. Please invite a friend or two to join you!

STAUNTON-BEVERLEY MANOR WEEKDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION will conduct a fund raising concert and dessert Saturday, March 20, 7:00 p.m. at Staunton Alliance Church, 560 New Hope Road, Staunton. Enjoy "An Evening with Adelpnos," a Christian vocal group of young men singing inspirational traditional, contemporary, Gospel, and a capella music. Dessert and drink will be served at intermission. Tickets are \$10 each, available in the Church Office. If you cannot attend, you may still help support the W.R.E. with a tax deductible donation. (Please make checks payable to Central UMC, noted for W.R.E. and we will forward the donations.)

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Juices, peaches, pineapple, mandarin oranges, hash, macaroni and cheese in the box, all purpose cleaner, dish liquid. (We'd like to add several more volunteers to our Wednesday morning crew. Please contact the Church Office for more information.)

EASTER OFFERING . . . Just a reminder that our Easter Offering will benefit the ministries and outreach of Central UMC. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

OUR STEWARDSHIP (March 7) Attendance: 103
Income received toward budget expenses: \$6,913.49
Easter Offering Received to date: \$600.00

IN MEMORIAM WARNER J. MILLS	IN MEMORIAM RALPH L. MOWRY
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