

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the family of **Ed Safford** who passed away Wednesday, January 10, 2018.

Please pray for the family of **Tommy Joe "TJ" Heth** (brother of Harold Heth and Jackie Blair) who passed away on Thursday, January 11, 2018.

Please pray for **Peggy Miller** who had oral surgery.

Please pray for **John** (son of Bob and Judy Lee) who had surgery for a broken arm.

Please pray for **Marine** (Janet Satterlee's sister) who had back surgery.

Please pray for **Arthur Runyon** (Debbie Lappin's father) as he deals with high blood pressure.

Please pray for **Ed Minor** who is having tests.

Please pray for **Jim Hampton** (Richard Hampton's brother) as his health is declining.

Events

TLC: Tuesday Lunch Club will be held February 13 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. This month we will be joined by Vanetta Gilio, the Administrator of The Glenwood Assisted Living. **The cost is only \$7.00!** The sign-up sheet is in the connection area.

Ash Wednesday Services: Will be February 14, 2018 at 12:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are welcome to attend.

Pastoral Care

In order to make the best use of pastoral time and to ensure that we don't miss opportunities to offer pastoral care, we are asking that you contact the church office (217) 342-2030, Pastor Jessica (217) 652-2225, and/or Pastor Christine (618) 251-4879 directly if you or a loved one is in the hospital or if you have a need for some other form of pastoral care.

Praying for the Youth at Centenary

Throughout the month of January, our prayer emphasis will be the youth at Centenary. Let us pray for their development as leaders, courage to share their voice, and that they may continue to grow in relationship to God.



The mission of Centenary United Methodist Church is Knowing Christ...Growing in Christ...Showing Christ...and Becoming the Difference.

Nursery care is staffed and available for children up to age 4 every Sunday morning during the 9:00 a.m. worship service as well as the 10:15 Sunday school class. The nursery is located on the first floor, room 15.

Coloring books, crayons, and activity bags are available on the register in the back of the sanctuary. A **coloring table** is also available in the connection area for use by any supervised child.

Gluten-free communion elements are available for those with allergies. If you prefer gluten-free, please let your communion server know. It is the tradition of the United Methodist Church to serve **grape juice** for communion.

Sunday morning fellowship time is 10:00 a.m. Coffee, juice, and cookies are served in the connection area at the back of the sanctuary.

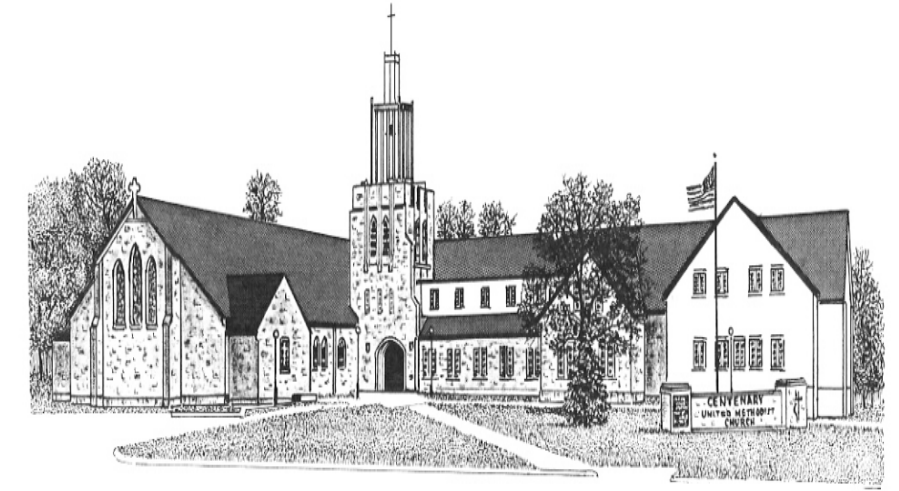
Transportation is available for our Sunday worship service. Call the office at 342-2030.

Our **Handicapped Accessible Elevator** is available from the north and south entrances.

Bathrooms with changing tables are available on the main floor with one closest to the elevator and two at the far end of the hall. There are also two changing tables in the nursery.

For those who prefer to read music, **songbooks** are available from the greeter.

Electronic Giving Options are available. A reminder to everyone that you can give to Centenary UMC online. On our website, the page called GIVE ONLINE will step you through making one time or repeating online donations. Also, Chris in the office can help you set up Automatic Withdrawals directly from your bank account. There are options for weekly, bi-weekly and monthly giving to all of the different funds that support our ministry. Please contact Chris, 342-2030, or chris@effinghamcumc.com, for more information.



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January 27 & 28, 2018

5:45 p.m. Saturday Worship Service
9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Connection Time
10:15 a.m. Sunday School

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Jeanlyn Stockman and Andrea Sills, Nursery Staff
Connie Wieck, our United Methodist Covenant Partner Missionary

Centenary United Methodist Church

Welcome to Worship!

Greetings

(Please complete the pew pad and pass to center aisle.)

(If you wish, please fill out a Prayer Request card to place in the offering plate.)

Prelude

+Hymn (Saturday)

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Hymnal no. 127

+Hymn (Sunday)

"Mighty to Save" SB 62

Centenary Prayer

O God Who Hears Every Prayer, we give you thanks for bringing us to this expectant moment. Transform our lives into a living prayer to you. Empower us to see how your Holy Spirit is pushing us out of our comfort zones, commanding us to take risks for your kingdom and glory. Open us to your Spirit's leading. Move us to courageous action in response to what we hear...

Children's Sermon (Sunday)

"Where Children Belong"

Jim Borrelli

SB 61

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Saturday)

Izzabella Rosaleigh Devall

The Baptismal Covenant II

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"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" Hymnal no. 611

Offering

Offertory Music (Saturday)

Offertory Music (Sunday)

"Great Is the Lord"

SB 70

+Doxology

Hymnal no. 95

+Prayer of Dedication

O God, whose Word endures forever, your voice causes astounding things to happen. We can only revere you when we experience your benevolent power. Thank you for raising up faithful messengers and sending your Son Jesus to draw us close to you. Give us the ability to listen and obey you. Direct our efforts to fulfill your will in our lives and as part of this congregation. May our offerings, gifts, and service bring joy to people here in our neighborhood and around the world. We pray through the Word incarnate, Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Song (Saturday)

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Hymnal no. 382 (vs. 1)

Prayer Song (Sunday)

"Come As You Are"

SB 51

Congregational Prayer: (by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell)

Spirit of Life, we confess that we don't want to listen. We want to follow our own way and lead lives of relative comfort and security. Move us out of our comfort zone to a place of compassion and empathy. Move us away from our own fears so that we can work into the ways of justice for all. Call us into your ministry of love, restoration, justice and peace. In the name of Jesus the Christ we pray. (continue in silence)

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.

Anthem (Sunday)

"Trust and Obey"

Alleluia Choir

Scripture

Jonah 1:1-4, 11-17

Pew Bible pg. 753 and Deep Blue pg. 1014

Message

Pastor Jessica

+Hymn

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

UMH 557 (vs. 1-3)

+Prayer Requests and Opportunities and Announcements

+Benediction and Response

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

UMH 557 (vs. 4)

A Prayerful Revolution

Believing that God hears us when we pray and that there is power in praying together, we are asking each of you to stop and pray every day at either 7:00 am or 7:00 pm. Too often we look at prayer as a request; Asking God for help, for guidance, even for stuff to make our lives better. But being in a relationship with someone is not about asking them to do stuff for you. A relationship is a give and take, expressing the love you feel for each other. Prayer is how we keep our relationship with God alive, not a series of requests. The time has come for a prayerful revolution...a change in how you approach your relationship with God. Are you ready?

THIS WEEK AT CENTENARY Jan. 29-Feb. 4

Monday, 29

9:00 a.m.

Quilters (Room 19)

5:30 p.m.

Exercise Class (FH)

Wednesday, 31

9:00 a.m.

Staff Meeting (Conf.)

10:30 a.m.

Dulcimers (B3)

11:00 a.m.

Lakeland Rehab & Health

6:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Study (MR)

6:00 p.m.

Handbell Choir (Rm 27)

6:00 p.m.

Youth Group (FH, YR)

Friday, 2

6:00 p.m.

Book Club for Young Readers: Movie (YR)

Saturday, 3

5:45 p.m.

Worship Service

Sunday, 4

8:00 a.m.

Alleluia Choir Rehearsal

9:00 a.m.

Worship Service

10:00 a.m.

Connection Time

10:15 a.m.

Sunday School

10:15 a.m.

Faith Basics Class with Pastor Christine in the Chapel during Sunday School hour

Abbreviations

FH = Fellowship Hall

MR = Meeting Room

S = Sanctuary

Conf. = Conference Room

YR = Youth Room

K = Kitchen

Step UP Program

We are currently engaged in a Community and Congregational Study for the Step UP Program in which we are involved. In the interest of all of us learning more about our Church and Community we will be publishing snippets of our findings.

Education levels reveal a lot about the values and priorities in a community. The following are the 2017 education levels for our area. What does this say about our community?

Educational Attainment of those over 25

Less than 9th grade - 3.1%

Some College - 21%

Some High School - 4.4%

Associate Deg. - 13%

HS Dipl. or GED - 35.9%

Bachelor's Deg. - 15.9%

Grad/Profess Deg - 6.7%