

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Please pray for the family of **Jim Hampton** (Richard Hampton's brother) who passed away Tuesday, January 30, 2018.

Please pray for **Mark Eckert** (friend of Lynne and Jerry Kessler) who has kidney cancer.

Please pray for **Leonard Waldhoff** (cousin of Jeri Ensign) who had heart surgery.

Please pray for the friends and family of **Todd Arnold** (cousin of Kathy Phillips) who passed away on Sunday, January 28, 2018.

Please pray for a young man facing serious kidney issues.

Thank you

Thank you for all of your thoughts and prayers. In addition, thank you to the Ambassadors class for your prayers and food.

Kathy Tensen

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.



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.

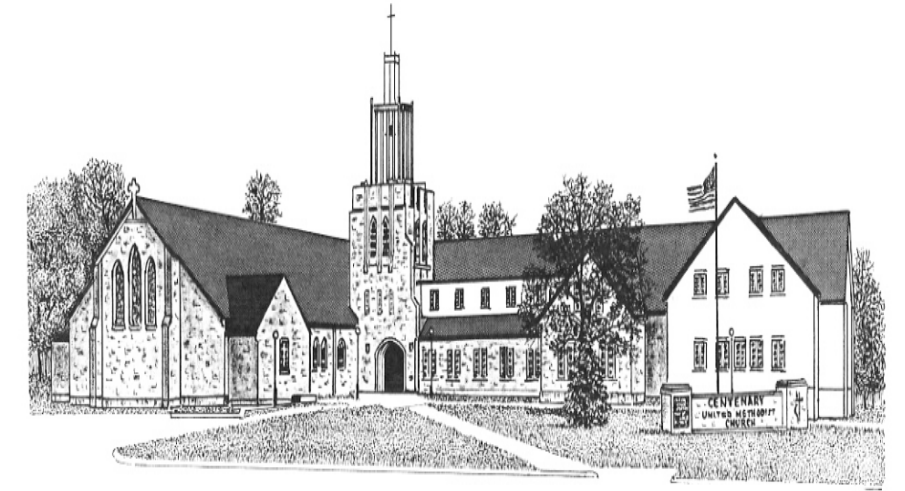
Bathrooms with changing tables are available on the main floor with one closest to the elevator and two at the far end of the hall. There are also two changing tables in the nursery.

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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February 3 & 4, 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

"O How He Loves You and Me"

+Hymn (Saturday)

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Hymnal no. 139

+Hymn (Sunday)

"How Majestic Is Your Name" SB 74
"Awesome God" SB 75

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" Pastor Jessica SB 61

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Sunday)

Amelia Mae Wiedman page 39
The Baptismal Covenant II
"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" Hymnal no. 611

Offering

Offertory Music (Saturday)

"Jesus Loves Me"

Offertory Music (Sunday)

"There Is None Like You" SB 76

+Doxology

Hymnal no. 95

+Prayer of Dedication

Everlasting God, you are kind and trustworthy. Every day you graciously provide what we need from your abundance. We are grateful that you bring healing and hope for our life as individuals and as a faith community. Accept these monetary gifts and offerings to strengthen your church's outreach to our neighbors. May more people come to know you and your love through our ministries. We ask this in the precious name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

Prayer Song (Saturday)

"Near to the Heart of God"

Hymnal no. 472 (vs. 1)

Prayer Song (Sunday)

"Think About His Love"

SB 77

Congregational Prayer

O Lord God, you call us out of our slavery into the freedom of relationship with you and with our neighbor. At first we are so happy to be released, to be free, and then we begin to grumble and complain along the way. We grouse that we are thirsty, we are hungry, and we should have remained enslaved in our emotional and spiritual Egypts. O Lord, have mercy on us. (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)

"Be Thou My Vision"

Alleluia Choir

Scripture

Exodus 3:1-14, 12:37 & 38, 13:20-22, 17:1-3
Pew Bible pg. 46, 54, 55, 58 and Deep Blue pg. 66, 77, 79, 84

Message

Pastor Christine

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymnal page 17

+Hymn

"Take Time to Be Holy"

UMH 395 (vs. 1-3)

+Prayer Requests and Opportunities and Announcements

+Benediction and Response

"Take Time to Be Holy"

UMH 395 (vs. 4)

February Prayer Emphasis

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.

Throughout the month of February, our prayer emphasis will be the congregational leaders.

THIS WEEK AT CENTENARY February 5-11

Monday, 5

9:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 19)
9:00 a.m. Centenary Servants (K)
5:30 p.m. Exercise Class (FH)

Wednesday, 7

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf.)
10:30 a.m. Dulcimers (B3)
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (MR)
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir (Rm 27)
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (FH, YR)
7:00 p.m. Easter Cantata Rehearsal

Saturday, 10

5:45 p.m. Worship Service

Sunday, 11

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
10:15 a.m. Confirmation Class (B7)

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.

People have different reasons for not participating in a religious congregation or community. Of those in our area who do not currently participate in any religious community, these are some of the reasons.

67.5% think Churches are too focused on money
67.2% think Religious people are too judgmental
58.5% don't trust religious leaders
51.3% think the beliefs of churches are too strict/inflexible
50.6% are disillusioned with religion for some reason
38.7% because of worship/music style
34.7% feel the church wasn't supportive in a crisis