

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for **Vi Kirchoff**, (friend of Ruth Shadwell), who will be going to a nursing home for rehabilitation after surgery.

Please pray for the family of **Sallie Johnson** who passed away on Wednesday, March 28, 2018.

Please pray for **Lila** (friend of Peggy Peters) who is in the hospital being treated for blood clots.

Events

Church Camp: Early bird deadline is April 16, 2018. Please contact Pastor Jessica to sign up.

Church League Softball: Anyone, male or female, 7th grade and older are welcome. We play a relaxed game against other teams with the focus on fellowship every Tuesday evening at Hendelmeyer Park. The sign up sheet is in the Connection area.

Little Grassy Mission Trip: Will be May 4, 5, and 6, 2018. Join others from Centenary as we help to prepare the camp for this summer season. This mission trip is sponsored by our Centenary mission team. The sign-up sheet is in the connection area. Must be 11 years or older to sign-up.

For more information contact Larry Lappin at (217) 343-2811 or Carol Martin at (217) 342-5886.

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.

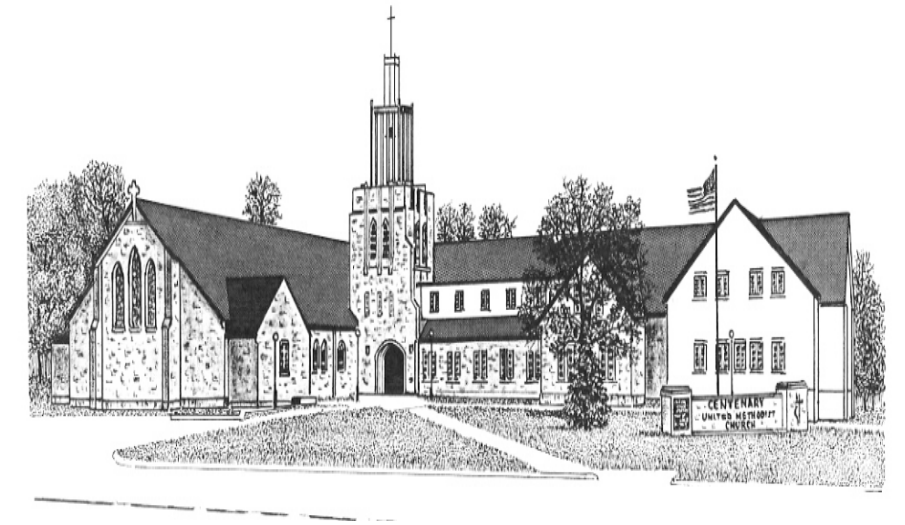
Transportation is available for our Sunday worship service. Call the office at 342-2030 before noon on Friday.

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 at 342-2030, or chris@effinghamcumc.com, for more information.



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April 7 & 8, 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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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

"Because He Lives"

+Hymn *"Up from the Grave He Arose"* Hymnal no. 322

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...

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Sunday) Caleb Gerald Fuesting
The Baptismal Covenant II page 39

Children's Sermon (Sunday) Jenny Burton
"Jesus Loves Me" Hymnal no. 191 (vs. 1)

Offering

Offertory Music *"The Old Rugged Cross"*

Cantata *"No Stone Could Hold Him"* Cantata Choir
Sacrament of Holy Communion

+Hymn *"Because He Lives"* Hymnal no. 364

+Prayer Requests and Opportunities and Announcements

+Benediction and Response
"Because He Lives" Hymnal no. 364 (chorus)

Thanks for making this Cantata possible

Cantata Choir Members

Narrators: Barb Tull, Larry Lappin, Elijah Slifer, and
Laurie Borrelli

Sound Operators: Craig Wise, Bill Totten, and Larry Stroud

Guitar: Russ Howard

Drums: Bob Devall

Soloist: Chris Prince

Thanks to all who participated in the Easter Cantata. I greatly appreciate all of you.

Ann Roedl

Sunday Community Prayer Walk

Sunday, April 15, 2018 9:00 a.m.

Our Worship will take the shape of a Prayer Walk on this date.

9:00-9:15

Devotional Time & Walk Instructions - Sanctuary

9:15-9:45

**Time Walking in our Neighborhood - Square Mile Around
Centenary UMC**

9:45-10:15

**Sharing Conversation about our Experience & Refreshments -
Fellowship Hall**

Dress: Casual & Comfortable, appropriate footwear for walking.

Expectations: To walk through the area, praying silently for our neighbors & listening for one or two words God might be conveying to each of us about the area we are walking in. We won't be knocking on doors, etc. Families with small children are encouraged to bring strollers for the walk. If you have difficulty walking, you can take your vehicle through the area.

This Week at Centenary April 9-15

Monday, 9

9:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 19)
9:00 a.m. Centenary Servants (K)
6:45 p.m. Trustees (MR)

Tuesday, 10

9:00 a.m. Brookstone Estates Bible Study
10:30 a.m. The Glenwood Bible Study
12:00 p.m. TLC: Tuesday Lunch Club (FH)

Wednesday, 11

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf.)
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (MR)
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir (Rm. 27)
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (YR & FH)

Thursday, 12

10:00 a.m. Memorial Committee (MR)

Saturday, 14

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Step UP Building Workshop in Mt. Vernon
(carpoolers leave church at 11:45 a.m.)
5:45 p.m. Worship Service

Sunday, 15

9:00 a.m. Community Prayer Walk
10:15 a.m. Confirmation class (B7)
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
2:00 p.m. Junior Youth Group (FH)

Abbreviations

FH = Fellowship Hall

Conf. = Conference Room

MR = Meeting Room

YR = Youth Room

S = Sanctuary

K = Kitchen



Flowers are given by Kaye Kimpling
in honor of
daughter Bonnie and grandson Zachary