

♥ Know Christ ...

Coming Next Week:
"Go Tell the Others"
John 20:17

Spring Out to Serve (SPoTS) Continues!

SPoTS will end on May 31st when the Great Pen Challenge ends. Look for projects with sign-up sheets for YOU in the back of the Connection Area. These projects are:

- ➔ One tray of cookies for each city police and fire department, nursing home, assisted-living, and memory care staff to accompany a thank you card
- ➔ A section of the Trek Trail clean-up
- ➔ Continue the Great Men/Women UMCOR Challenge (with other items for extra points) to go into school bags that will be sent to Native American reservations, including the UM Tree of Life Mission in South Dakota
- ➔ Visits to at-home members

Don't forget to sign up for the project that interests you, accept the challenge – vote with your donations!!

Church League Softball Sign Up

Let's Play Softball – Church League slow pitch softball will be starting May 5.

Ken Ballard (217-342-6709) is organizing our team again this year. (Call Ken for any questions.)

Games are played at Hendelmeyer Park on Tuesday evenings throughout the summer.

Anyone, male or female, age 7th grade to adult, is welcome to play. Join the team for some good fun and fellowship.

Sign Up Sheet is on the table in the Connection Area!!

♥ Grow in Christ ...

"Do no harm. Do Good.
Stay in love with God." - - -John Wesley

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O Lord, you are the good shepherd! Your son Jesus laid down his life for all who belong to you. Thank you for nurturing our life and sustaining our faith. In gratitude, we want to help others to know your love. Open our ears to listen to your voice. Open our eyes to see our brothers and sisters in need as sheep of your flock. May our tithes and offerings give voice to Christ's love for all people, especially those who have gone astray. Amen.

Joe's Notebook

"People bond more deeply over shared brokenness than they do over shared belief."

--- Heather Kopp, quoted by Rachel Held Evans in *Searching for Sunday*

UMW May Luncheon

The Esther Unit of UMW will meet Wednesday, May 6th, 11:30am, at Ryan's for lunch. There will be no business meeting, and Linda White will have devotions for this meeting.

If you need a ride, call Beth Wattlelet (347-7458) or Peggy Peters (347-9629).

Esther Unit meets the first Wednesday of the month, March - December, and all Centenary women are welcome to join us.

Check out our directing pastor's blog

joescheets.com

♥ Show Christ ...

Weekly Funds needed for 2015 budget:	\$ 8,648.00
April 19, 2015 weekly giving for general fund	\$ 11,917.70
<i>2 Corinthians 9:7-8</i>	

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, All Centenary Men and Women! The 2nd Great UMCOR Challenge Is On!

Men: Donate **black stick pens** with no advertising except manufacturer's name

Women: Donate **blue stick pens** with no advertising except manufacturer's name

Extra Credit Points will be given for each: 70 page spiral plain-cover wide or college-ruled notebook; 24 pack crayons; or blunt-tipped school scissors.

Boxes are located in the Connection Area for your donations. The materials will be taken to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center, Chatham, to help fill schoolbags that will be sent to Native American reservations, including the UM Tree of Life Mission in South Dakota.

Deadline: May 31st

Prize: To Be Announced (Remember the Red Beans/Rice Challenge prize was a dinner for the winners of the first contest!)



Yard Clean Up

We will have a yard cleanup at a senior citizen's home on **Wednesday, April 29** from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

A sign up sheet is located in the Connection area

CHURCH STAFF

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This Week at Centenary: April 27-May 1, 2015

Sunday, 26

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
10:00 a.m.	Connection Time
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Jr. and Sr. High Youth (Special Media Project)

Monday, 27

9:00 a.m.	Quilters (Rm 19)
6:00 p.m.	Monday Nite Lites (S)
6:45 p.m.	Birthday Party Team (MR)

Tuesday, 28

9:00 a.m.	Brookstone Bible Study
10:30 a.m.	Glenwood Bible Study
6:00 p.m.	Disciple Bible Study (MR)

Wednesday, 29

9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Conf.)
11:00 a.m.	Lakeland Rehab & Health
5:45 p.m.	Children's Worship Practice

Saturday, 2

5:45 p.m.	Worship Service
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Centenary Family

Bill Elving—St. Anthony Memorial Hospital (*)
Sue Wick—St. John's Hospital, Springfield, IL
Lynn Helmuth—Carle Hospital, Urbana, IL
Jerry W. Kessler—St. Anthony Memorial Hospital



(*) Returned Home

Rev. Leanne Noland is on call this week for hospital and other emergencies. After hours call the number listed in the church staff box.



Flowers are given in memory of
Molly Stephens,
granddaughter of Julie and Tim Stephens

Brookstone Estates

Nancy Bazzell ♥ Ron Israel

Lakeland Rehab & Health

Ruth Scheets ♥ Helen Wakefield ♥ Wilma Vandever
Martha Bazzell ♥ Martha Hughes ♥ Pauline Kingery
Wanda Crews

Villas of Holly Brook

Jean Nicholson ♥ Lois Galloway ♥ Florence Richards
Joyce Mietzner

The Glenwood

Esther Craig ♥ Doris White

Willowbrook

Dick Bonnewell

Lavender Ridge

Verna Purdy ♥ John Sills

Lutheran Care, Altamont

Melba Middlesworth ♥ Gladys Gabel

Heartland Christian Village, Neoga

Steve Kreke



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April 25, 26, 27, 2015

“Mary”

John 20:16

Worship Schedule

Saturday	5:45 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.
Monday Nite Lites	6:00 p.m.



The mission of Centenary United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.