▼ Know Christ...

Coming Next Week:

"The 1st 7 Things the Resurrected Christ Says to Us:
Peace to You"

John 20:19-21a

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

Gracious God, you are the vine grower, and we belong to you. Thank you for carefully tending us, especially in difficult times. You provide what we need in order to grow as disciples of Jesus. Help us to abide in him, the true vine. May these offerings and our lives bear much fruit and bring glory to you. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Joe's Notebook

"Many Christians are unthinkably horrified when a real sinner is discovered among the righteous. So we remain alone in our sin, living lies and hypocrisy.

The fact is that we are sinners."

--- Dietrich Bonehoeffer in Life Together

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 Wattelet (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.



Flowers on the Altar

are given to honor Patricia and John Kirby's 64th wedding anniversary

▼ Show Christ …

Weekly Funds needed for 2015 budget: \$ 8,648.00 April 26, 2015 weekly giving for general fund \$ 7,859.75

2 Corinthians 9:7-8

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!)

If anyone notices or has an issue with the building or grounds please contact trustee chairman Jeff White:

Email: jeff.white.1964@gmail.com or cell #: 217-925-5956

Check out our directing pastor's blog

joescheets.com

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This Week at Centenary: May 3-9, 2015

Sunday, 3 Sacrament of Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Connection Time
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Safe Sanctuary (S)
6:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth
6:30 p.m. Sr. High Youth

Monday, 4

9:00 a.m. Quilters (Rm 19)

9:00 a.m. Centenary Servants (K) 6:00 p.m. Monday Nite Lites (S) 6:30 p.m. Safe Sanctuary (S)

Tuesday, 5

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

6:00 p.m. 2-4 Grade Book Club (Roundup room)

7:30 p.m. Recycling Team (MR)

Wednesday, 6

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf.)

11:30 a.m. Esther Unit of UMW (meet at Ryan's Restaurant)

5:45 p.m. Children's Worship Practice

6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Alleluia Choir (\$)

Saturday, 9 Sacrament of Holy Communion

5:45 p.m. Worship Service

Centenary Family

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

(*) Returned Home

Dr. Joseph Scheets is on call this week for hospital and other emergencies. After hours call the number listed in the church staff box.

Brookstone Estates

Nancy Bazzell ♥ Ron Israel

<u>Lakeland Rehab & Health</u>

Ruth Scheets ♥ Helen Wakefield ♥ Wilma Vandeveer Martha Bazzell ♥ Martha Hughes ♥ Pauline Kingery Wanda Crews ♥ Harry Brasel

Villas of Holly Brook

Jean Nicholson ♥ Florence Richards ♥ Joyce Mietzner

The Glenwood

Esther Craig ♥ Doris White

Willowbrook

Dick Bonnewell

<u>Lavender Ridge</u>

Verna Purdy ♥ John Sills

Lutheran Care, Altamont

Melba Middlesworth ♥ Gladys Gabel

Heartland Christian Village, Neoga

Steve Kreke

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where every member is a minister.





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May 2, 3, 4, 2015

John 20:17

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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.