

## WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Continued prayers for **everyone** who is dealing with the aftermath of hurricanes, earthquakes, and fire.

Continued prayers for **Lindsay Burton** as she continues with medical testing and treatment.

Continued prayers for **Anthony Ray Games**, son of Amelia and Forest Games, who is still at Carle Hospital.

Continued prayers for Kathy Phillips father, **Emmet Phillips**, who has been moved to Lutheran Care in Altamont.

Continued prayers for **Jim Scaggs**, who had knee replacement surgery.

Continued prayers for **Kathy Smith** who came through Gamma Knife radiation treatment well.

Prayers for Sue Heth's friend, **Kris**, who had surgery on Thursday.

## This Week at Centenary: September 18-24

### Monday, 18

9:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 19, first floor)  
7:00 p.m. Finance Team (MR)

### Tuesday, 19

9:00 a.m. Brookstone Estates Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. The Glenwood Bible Study  
7:00 p.m. Church Council (MR)

### Wednesday, 20

**Childcare provided 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Rm. 14)**  
9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf.)  
11:00 a.m. Lakeland Rehab & Health  
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir (Room 27, second floor)  
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (YR) (6:00-8:00 p.m.)  
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (MR)

### Saturday, 23

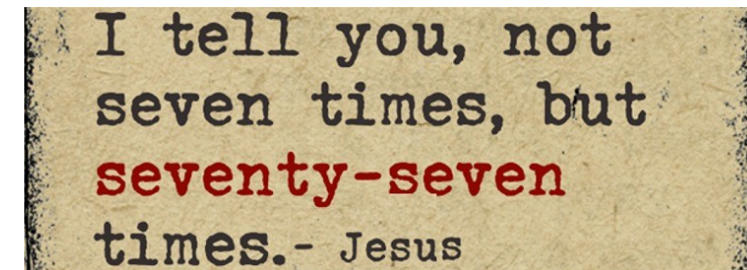
5:45 p.m. Worship Service

### Sunday, 24

**Childcare provided 8:00-11:15 a.m. (Rm. 14)**  
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  
4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Youth Group at Culver's

### Abbreviations

FH = Fellowship Hall      MR = Meeting Room  
Conf. = Conference Room      YR = Youth Room



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

## Donations for Hurricanes Harvey and Irma

We are accepting monetary donations for UMCOR and flood bucket materials.

Please mark your donation to go toward either UMCOR or flood bucket materials so they can be appropriately routed.



Children are welcome to be dropped off in the nursery, but we love the sound of children in worship.

*"...for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these."*

- Matthew 19:14

## Looking ahead

### Saturday, September 30

8:00 am-Noon E-cycle

### Wednesday, October 18

7:00 pm Christmas Cantata rehearsals begin and **CHILDCARE WILL BE PROVIDED**

### Coming in October:

The CUMC Mitten Collection

**Welcome to**  
Effingham Centenary United Methodist Church  
203 E Grove Ave ♦ Effingham IL 62401  
217-342-2030 ♦ [www.effinghamcumc.com](http://www.effinghamcumc.com)

September 16 & 17, 2017

## Worship Schedule

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

## Christmas Cantata Rehearsals

**begin Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 pm**

Childcare will be provided from 0-5th grade

## Book Club for Young Readers

**October 5 at 6:00 p.m.**

We are planning on discussing *Wonderstruck* and favorite books at the October meeting.

We will plan on going to see *Wonderstruck* at the theater in October. (date to follow)

**All young readers are welcome to join us and bring a friend or two!**

(*Wonder* will be our next book and movie! The children's library upstairs has copies of *Wonder*. For any questions ask Pastor Jessica or Deena Ballard.)



## 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.



are in honor of  
Linda Lewis' birthday  
given by Dan and Linda Lewis

## Welcome to Worship!

Greetings (Sunday) Nick Tensen  
(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.)  
(Songbooks are available from the greeter.)

Prelude

+Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" no. 89

Children's Sermon (Sunday) Jenny Burton  
Children Return to Your Parents

Offering

Offertory Music

+Doxology no. 95

+Prayer of Dedication

**O Lord, our God, you graciously welcome all who seek you. We are grateful that you have taught us your commandments so that we may live as people who belong to you. Guide us by your Spirit so that our attitudes toward others and our daily actions will honor you. Let the ministries of our church reach out to show and tell our neighbors of your faithful love. Receive our gifts and offerings for the sake of Jesus, our Lord.**

Prayer Song (Saturday) "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" no. 381 (vs. 1)

Prayer Song (Sunday) "The Family Prayer Song" SB no. 22

Congregational Prayer

**(H. Burnham Kirkland) - God of mercy, we are quick to proclaim you as King of our lives and slow to live as your disciples. We are quick to judge others and slow to see our own shortcomings. Instead of seeking the unity you desire we have often been exclusive in our family of faith. Forgive us and by the power of the Holy Spirit empower us to mend our ways. (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.**

Scripture *Matthew 18:21-35, Romans 14:1-13*  
Pew Bible pg. 799, 921 and Deep Blue pg. 1092, 1261

Message Rev. Christine Cunningham

+Hymn "Freely, Freely" no. 389

+Opportunities and Announcements and Prayer Requests

+Benediction and Response  
(Saturday) "Freely, Freely" no. 389 (chorus)  
(Sunday) "The Trees of the Field" SB no. 26



## The CUMC Mitten Collection



The Centenary UMC Mitten Collection will return the first Sunday in October!

Children of all ages (0-100+) are invited to purchase hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves to donate to other children who may not have the warm clothes needed for the winter season.

You are invited to place your donated items in the box located in the connection area.

All donated hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves will be delivered to our local Catholic Charities organization.

Thank you to all who feel led to participate in this mission project!

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