

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

Continued prayers for **Robert Devall**, who has returned home from the hospital.

The **Satterlee Family** is asking for prayers. Jae had emergency surgery, Jennifer went in for surgery as well, Janet had a knee replaced three weeks ago, and Don needs prayers that he stays upright.

Please pray for **Molly Suttle**, neighbor of Sue and Harold Heth. She was taken to the hospital with a possible stroke.

Prayers for **Elliot Minor**, (grandson of Ed and Sue Ann Minor) who is in the hospital.

Prayers for **David Delaney**, who is at Lakeland Rehabilitation Center.

Prayers for **Lori Edwards**, (friend of Gail Fisher) who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

Prayers for **Jim Hampton** (Richard Hampton's brother) who has had a set back and is hospitalized in Augusta, CA.

Please pray for **Ellen Kingery** (friend of Linda White) who is scheduled for heart surgery on November 15.

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.

Events

Angel Star tree: Beginning the weekend of November 18/19, select a star from the tree at the back of the sanctuary, bring a \$15-\$20 wrapped gift for the child named on the star, and place it under the tree by mid-December. **Be sure to attach the star to the outside of the package so that your gift gets to the right child.**

The Women of Christmas: Experience the Season Afresh with Elizabeth, Mary & Anna: Libby Moeller will lead a four week study on Tuesday mornings, November 28-December 19 at 10:00 a.m. in the meeting room. RSVP to Libby by calling or texting her at 217-663-6709.

NO MORE BAGS: Our "Bags to Mats" project will be on hold for a few months **beginning December 1**. The lady who crochets is taking a break, and November will be the last month she will accept bags.

Hanging of the Greens: Will be Saturday, December 2 at 10:00 a.m. We are looking for 12 adults to help. We will serve cinnamon rolls, coffee, and juice. For more information, contact Libby Moeller at 217-663-6709.



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 14.

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.

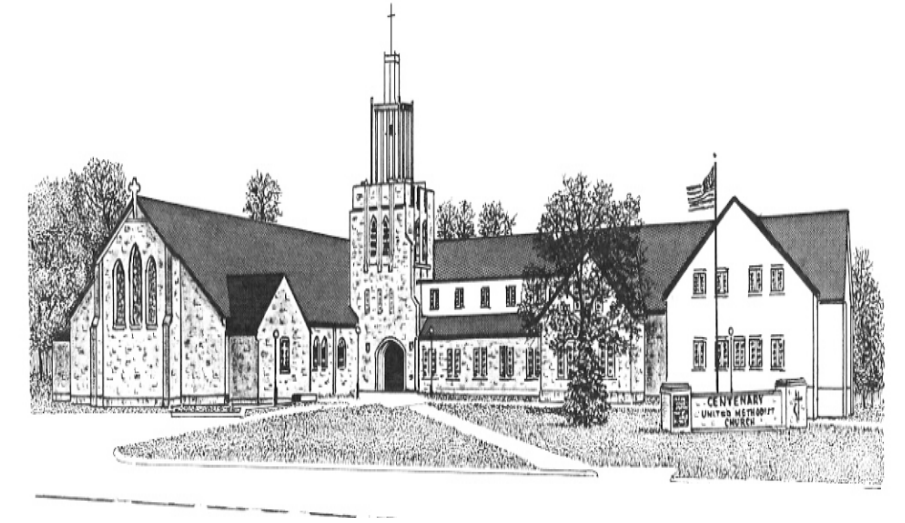
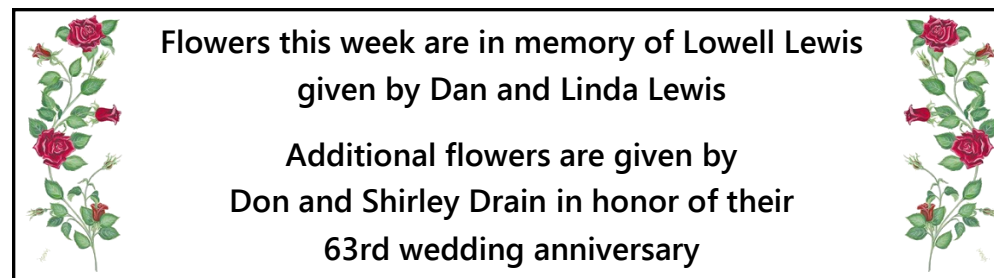
Transportation is available for our Sunday worship service. Call the office at 342-2030.

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 is 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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November 11 & 12, 2017

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

Rev. Christine Cunningham, Directing Pastor
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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 "I Stand in Awe"

+Hymn (Saturday)
"Rejoice, the Lord Is King" Hymnal no. 715

+Hymn (Sunday)
"Rise Up And Praise Him" SB 54
"You're Worthy of My Praise" SB 56

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) Libby Moeller
"Jesus Loves the Little Children" SB 31

Offering

Offertory Music (Saturday)
Offertory Music (Sunday)
"Be Exalted, O God" SB 57

+Doxology Hymnal no. 95

+Prayer of Dedication

O Lord our God, you are completely righteous and good. In Christ, you call us to worship you in Spirit and truth. Help us to connect our faith with our daily actions. Thank you for the freedom to gather and worship you. Please protect our Christian brothers and sisters in every land. May our church contribute to an unending flow of justice for those in need. Let our lives and offerings be pleasing in your sight. We pray through Christ your Son. Amen.

Prayer Song (Saturday)
"Open My Eyes, That I May See" Hymnal no. 454 (vs. 1)

Prayer Song (Sunday)
"Come As You Are" SB 51

Congregational Prayer (by H. Burnham Kirkland)

Deliver us, Lord, from the idolatry of our egos which tries to make gods that do not challenge us; from the pride which causes us to be critical of our friends and neighbors; from the stubbornness which closes our ears to new truths; and from the coldness which pulls us away from the loving arms of the Savior. In Jesus' name we pray. (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) "Give Thanks" Evie Ballard

Scripture *Joshua 24:1, 14-15, Matthew 25:1-13*
Pew Bible pg. 188, 806 and Deep Blue pg. 270, 1101

Message Pastor Christine

+Hymn
"When We All Get to Heaven" Hymnal no. 701

+Prayer Requests and Opportunities and Announcements

+Benediction and Response
"When We All Get to Heaven" Hymnal no. 701 (chorus)

2018 PLEDGES

Please remember to turn in your 2018 Pledges to the Office, or put them in the offering plate.

2018 Pledges (so far)

79 Pledges Made
General Fund: \$221,401
Capital Improvement: \$11,904
Building Fund: 28,370
Recycling: \$7,061

2017 Pledges

101 Pledges Made
General Fund: \$241,346
Capital Improvement: \$16,768
Building Fund: \$38,222
Recycling: \$8,322

Please pray for the family of Joe and Patty Scheets. Pastor Joe's mother, Ruth Scheets, passed away on Saturday, November 4, 2017.

**You may send a card to: Dr. & Mrs. Joe Scheets
3401 Rand Lane • Belleville IL 62226**

THIS WEEK AT CENTENARY November 13-19

Monday, 13

9:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 19, first floor)
6:00 p.m. Outreach and Witness (Conf.)
6:45 p.m. Trustees (MR)

Tuesday, 14

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

Wednesday, 15

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf.)
10:30 a.m. Dulcimers (B3)
11:00 a.m. Lakeland Rehab & Health
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study (MR)
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir (Room 27, second floor)
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (YR) (FH) (6:00-8:00 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Christmas Cantata Rehearsal

Saturday, 18

9:00 a.m. Pick It Up Effingham (meet at Menards)
5:45 p.m. Worship Service

Sunday, 19

8:00 a.m. Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
8:30 a.m. Centenary prayer walk
9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Connection Time
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
Faith Basics Class with Pastor Christine in the Chapel during Sunday School hour
Junior Youth Group (FH)
2:00 p.m.

Abbreviations

FH = Fellowship Hall MR = Meeting Room S = Sanctuary
Conf. = Conference Room YR = Youth Room K = Kitchen

Coloring at Advent

You're invited to join us for a special three week Bible study, Coloring at Advent led by Pastor Jessica.

We will meet for three weeks from 11am-12pm on Wednesdays, December 6, 13, and 20.

We will be using the same coloring book as last year's Advent coloring study used, but if you don't have a copy, you can order one from Cokesbury or Amazon. We will be using *The Advent Coloring Calendar* (ISBN: 978-1612617657).

We hope you will join us!