

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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April 8th, 2018

The 2nd Sunday of Easter

10:30 am

**Please stand as able*

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Prelude for Easter

Joseph Prentiss

Millete Silverio

Welcome &
Announcements

Pastor Haley

*Call to Worship

Ferdinand Soco, Leader

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We have not seen the risen Christ,

**But we see him in the lives
of those transformed by grace.**

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

**But we have seen him in the faces of
everyone whose love encourages us.**

We have not touched his wounds from the cross,

**But we have been called to bring
healing to the scarred of the world.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

(Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies)

*Hymn 308

Thine Be the Glory

Opening Prayer

Surprising God,

who lifts our hearts when we feel down,

who strikes the light of joy in the midst

of despair's gloom,

who surprises us with wonder and awe,

enter into our hearts this morning, we pray.

**Open our minds to the endless possibilities
you create for growing closer to you.**

Open our eyes to your presence in all things,

That we may respond in joy. Amen.

Children's Time

Rev. Dr. Sylvia Pleas

WORD

First Reading	<i>1 John 1: 1 – 2:2</i> <i>Ferdinand Soco, Reader</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 133</i> <i>The Grail Version</i>
Anthem	<i>I Walk with God</i> <i>N. Brodzky; arr. by Jan Mulder</i> <i>Sal Malaki, soloist</i> <i>John Tiffin, keyboard</i>
*Gospel	<i>John 20: 19 - 31</i>
*Hymn 2206 (TFWS)	<i>Without Seeing You</i>
Message	<i>How Do You Spell BELIEF</i> <i>Pastor Haley</i>
The Prayers	
Offering	<i>Proclaim the Glory of the Lord</i> <i>Dwight Liles & Niles Borop</i> <i>Sal Malaki, soloist</i> <i>John Tiffin, keyboard</i>

TABLE

*The Peace		
Great Thanksgiving		
The Giving of the Bread and the Cup (<i>seated</i>)		
Communion Hymns		
The Bread	<i>Hymn 314</i>	<i>In the Garden</i>
The Cup	<i>Hymn 310</i>	<i>He Lives</i>
Prayer After Communion		

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn 2115 (TFWS)	<i>Christ Has Risen</i>
*Dismissal & Blessing	
*Music	<i>Make His Praise Glorious</i> <i>Bill & Robin Wolaver</i> <i>arr. by Dick Tunney</i>

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WELCOME!

If you are a guest today, we welcome you and are honored that you have come to worship at Central today. Here's some helpful things to know:

- **RESTROOMS** are downstairs. There is also an accessible restroom just outside the sanctuary, to the left.
- The words to the hymns, the Scripture readings, and the responses may be followed on the screen. Please silence all **CELL PHONES** before the service.
- At the time of the **OFFERING**, we realize not every one carries cash or checks; to donate electronically go to www.skokiecentralumc.org/donate.html
- Today as we celebrate **HOLY COMMUNION**, you need not be United Methodist or a member of Central to participate; everyone of every age who accepts Christ's invitation to his table are welcome. Our method of communion will be to receive the bread and cup while seated.

A MUSICAL REFLECTION

We welcome today as a special guest to worship **SAL MALAKI**, renowned Filipino-American tenor. This afternoon, at **2 pm** in the Log Cabin, Sal will share a **MUSICAL REFLECTION**, singing and talking about his personal journey through music and other experiences, accompanied by Millete Silverio and John Tiffin. A freewill offering will be received.

ALTAR

Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by **MAE WILLIAMS** in loving memory of her father, **V.A. ELLIS**. There are still many open dates on the Altar Flower Calendar, including **April 22, April 29** and **May 13**. Please choose a Sunday when you would like to provide flowers for the altar. Thank you for your faithful provision of altar flowers, keeping the altar beautiful week-by-week!

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FELLOWSHIP

Following worship, you are invited downstairs to Fellowship Hall for a time of food and conversation. Today's Fellowship is hosted by **SIMLA CORPUZ** and **COREY WALLANDER** in celebration of **SIMLAS**'s birthday.

SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST: APRIL 21ST

Scout Troop 72's annual **"ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT" PANCAKE BREAKFAST** will be on **Saturday, April 21st**, from **7:30** to **11:30 am** in Fellowship Hall. Troop 72 provides the service and supplies for this fundraiser, and then donates the proceeds to Central Church. We support it by eating pancakes (and donating). The cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for kids 10 and under. Invite family and friends!

SKOKIE'S SPRING GREENING

Next **Sunday, April 15th, 10 am to 2 pm**, Skokie is holding a **REUSE AND RECYCLING DROP-OFF** at Niles North High School, 9800 Lawler, Skokie. We have cleaned out the Storeroom and other areas of the church and are looking for a few volunteers to take recyclable items to Niles North as only three boxes/bags per car are allowed. Please call the office or see Pam Castaneda after church next week if you can help.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

April 8 - Bernice Herwald

April 12 - Dan Carey

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 8th

The 2nd Sunday of Easter

8:45 am - Chancel Choir

9:30 am - Sunday School
& Adult Bible Study

10:30 am - **Worship**

Fellowship to follow

2 pm - Sal Malaki's Musical
Reflection (LC)

Wednesday, April 11th

7 pm - Staff Parish Mtg.

7 pm - Scout Troop 72

Thursday, April 12th

7 pm - Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 15th

The 3rd Sunday of Easter

8:45 am - Chancel Choir

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& Adult Bible Study

10:30 am - **Worship**

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*To add/remove someone from the Prayer List,
contact the church office*

***Hospitals, Rehab, Assisted
Living & Extended Care:***

Edith Bass

Brian Gut

Steve Winker

At Home:

Nancy Blaylock

Doris Bloom

Janet Casey

Mavis Fowlin

Lola Hessing

Wilma Odlivak

Harriet Tiahnybik

Eutopio Zamora

LEADERS

Pastor.....**David L. Haley**

Today's Reader.....**Ferdinand Soco**

Choir Director/Accompanist.....**Millete Silverio**

Song Leader.....**Julianne Arvizu**

Office Staff.....**Doris Bloom**

Pam Castaneda

Nursery Attendant.....**Ellen Mittman**

Lay Leader.....**Cynthia Barron**

Fellowship.....**Simla Corpuz and**

Corey Wallander

Ministers**The People of the Congregation**

MEMORIAL WINDOW

Message:

Christ Lives Today!

***Jesus Christ is the same yesterday,
today, and forever***