

# CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**8:30 & 10:30 am**

\* = Please stand as able

## GATHERING

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Prelude

***He's Been Faithful***

*Carol Cymbala; arr. Jim Hammerly  
Millete Silverio*

Welcome &  
Announcements

*Pastor David Haley*

\*Call to Worship

*Kathy Tiffin, Leader*

In the gathering of school supplies,  
in the harvesting of backyard gardens:

**God blesses us beyond imagination.**

In the simple acts of daily chores,  
in the kindness shared by a stranger:

**God is gracious to us.**

In the rapture of a child watching a firefly,  
in the inquisitive look of a senior wondering  
where they left their keys:

**God's face shines upon us.**

We praise you, O God!

**We praise you!**

*(Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies)*

\*Hymn 67

***We, Thy People, Praise Thee***

Opening Prayer

**Holy One of Israel, covenant-keeper,  
you restore what is lost, heal what is wounded,  
and gather in those who have been rejected.  
Give us the faith to speak as steadfastly as did  
the Canaanite woman, that the outcast may be  
welcomed and all people may be blessed. Amen.**

## WORD

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First Reading	<b>Genesis 45: 1 - 15</b> <i>Kathy Tiffin, Reader</i>
Psalm	<b>Psalm 133</b> <i>Stephen Mitchell, A Book of Psalms</i>
*Gospel	<b>Matthew 15: 21 - 28</b>
*Hymn	<b>She Came to Jesus</b> <i>Carolyn Winfrey Gillette</i>
Message	<b>Can You Teach an Old Dog New Tricks?</b> <i>Pastor Haley</i>
The Prayers	
Offering	<b>Draw the Circle Wide</b> <i>Words: Gordon Light;</i> <i>Music: Mark A. Miller</i> <i>Julianne Arvizu, Soloist</i> <i>Millete Silverio, piano</i>

## TABLE

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*The Peace	
Great Thanksgiving	
The Giving of the Bread and the Cup	<i>(please come forward to receive the bread and dip it into the cup)</i>
Prayer After Communion	

## SENDING FORTH

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*Hymn 2219 TFWS	<b>Goodness is Stronger Than Evil</b> <i>Words: Desmond Tutu</i> <i>Music: John Bell</i>
*Dismissal & Blessing	
*Postlude	<b>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</b> <i>Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1615</i> <i>arr. Joel Raney</i>

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*Keeping God central in hearts, minds, and lives*

## WELCOME!

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If you are a guest at Central today, we welcome you!  
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](http://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 today will be to go forward to receive the bread and dip it into the cup.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

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Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by **LINDA HOVLAND** in loving memory of her husband, **JIM**, on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## SUMMER IS FADING . . .

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After today, there are only two more Sundays in the summer schedule; the last 8:30 service in the Log Cabin will be Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, **LABOR DAY** weekend. **RE-GATHERING SUNDAY**, when we return to the fall schedule and Sunday School and Choir return, will be Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, celebrated by an all-church potluck after worship.

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## **MEN'S DINNER & MOVIE**

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The next Central **MEN'S DINNER AND MOVIE** will be next **Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**, from **5 to 8 pm**. The menu will be pub burgers, corn on the cob, baked bean salad, potato salad and dessert. The movie will be "**The Founder**," about Ray Kroc, of McDonald's. RSVP to Gerhard Mels at 224-766-6738.

## **LADIES' NIGHT OUT**

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The next **LADIES' NIGHT OUT** will be this **Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>** at **6 pm** in the Log Cabin. Dinner will be served and we will have a chance to socialize and catch up on our summer. No movie will be shown. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend - 847-673-1311 or [centralchurch@skokie-centralumc.org](mailto:centralchurch@skokie-centralumc.org).

## **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

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August 20 - Kurt Wolff-Klammer

August 21 - Elmer Wegener

August 26 - Bonnie Stegich

*To add a name to the birthday list, contact the office at (847) 673-1311 or [central\\_church@skokiecentralumc.org](mailto:central_church@skokiecentralumc.org).)*

## **CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am - **Worship** (LC)

10:30 am - **Worship** (S)

### **Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

7 pm - Boy Scouts (LC)

### **Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**

6 pm - Ladies' Night Out (LC)

### **Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 am - Food Depository

5 pm - Men's Dinner & Movie

### **Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 am - **Worship** (LC)

10:30 am - **Worship** (S)

## **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

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

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

Edith Bass

Carmen Ewing

Brian Gut

Steve Winker

### **At Home:**

Janet Casey

Lola Hessing

Russ Nelson

Wilma Oddivak

Eutopio Zamora

## **LEADERS**

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

Today's Reader.....**Kathy Tiffin**

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

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

Office Staff.....**Doris Bloom & Pam Castaneda**

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

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

Ministers .....**The People of the Congregation**

## **MEMORIAL WINDOW**

Message: Christ Lives Today!

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