

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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September 9th, 2018
10:30 am

Please stand as able

GATHERING

Prelude

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Joseph Barnby

Arr. by Mark Hayes

Millete Silverio, piano

Welcome

& Announcements

Cynthia Barron, Lay Leader

*Call to Worship

Nicholas Werth, Leader

Those who trust in God are like the mountains,
immovable and abiding.

**God shelters the people: today and for
eternity.**

Rich or poor, God creates us to pursue justice and to
care for one another.

**Be a blessing, O God, to those who are good
and upright in heart.**

God calls us to be rich in faith, to honor our heritage
as heirs of the Kingdom.

**We are blessed when we share our bless-
ings, that peace may be upon the people.**

(By June Boutwell)

*Hymnal #145

Morning Has Broken

Opening Prayer

Holy One,

We call upon your name, for we know that
your name and favor are more precious than
human riches. You hate wickedness and
abhor the neglect of your people. You call us
to righteousness, to reach out to others with
justice and mercy.

**You teach us right from wrong, that we
may truly live in your grace. In the
shadow of that grace, we offer
compassion and mercy to others.
Abide with us this day, that we may
serve you forevermore. Amen**

(by June Boutwell)

WORD

First Reading

James 2:1-17

Anthem

Open the Eyes of my Heart

Paul Baloche

The Chancel Choir

Julianne Arvizu, soloist

*Gospel

Mark 7:24-37

*Hymn #2128

Come and Find The Quiet Center

Sermon Series:

MAKING DISCIPLES

Today's Message

We are all trying to find the way forward.

Donna Sagami

Entrance into Silence

Hymnal #2123

Give Me A Clean Heart

The Prayers

Offering

Love Found a Way

Phil McHugh & Greg Nelson

Arr. by David Hamilton

Millete Silverio, piano

John Tiffin, keyboard

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

TABLE

Great Thanksgiving

(By June Boutwell)

The Giving of the Bread and the Cup (seated)

Prayer After Communion

SENDING FORTH

*Hymnal #402

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian
verses 1,2,4

*Benediction and Passing the Peace

*Postlude

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Arr. by Mark Hayes

Millete Silverio, piano

John Tiffin, keyboard

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FELLOWSHIP

Following worship, you are invited downstairs to Fellowship Hall for a time of food and conversation. Volunteers are needed to host fellowship time. A sign-up sheet is available on the Bulletin Board outside the kitchen in Fellowship Hall.

ALTAR

Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by **KATHY TIFFIN** in celebration of **her** and **JOHN's** wedding anniversary.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

September 11 - Betty Perry

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help is needed with the projection during the worship service. The program is on the computer so it only involves plugging in the computer and advancing the slides. Training is provided. See Doris or call the office if you can help. We want to set up a schedule that will not involve more than one Sunday a month or less for volunteers.

CHANCEL CHOIR

Central's **CHANCEL CHOIR** has begun their rehearsals for the season. Rehearsals are held Thursdays at 7 pm and Sundays at 8:45 am, in the Sanctuary. New voices are always welcome. Please consider sharing your musical talents in worship!

UPPER ROOM

The **September/October** edition of the daily devotional booklet, **UPPER ROOM**, is available in the literature rack in the vestibule.

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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 the cup while seated.

DONNA SAGAMI

Donna Sagami grew up in the South Suburban community of Richton Park. After college, she discovered her love for city-living and now calls Chicago her home. Along with her husband and two sons, Donna attends Ravenswood Fellowship Church, a successful merge of Christian Fellowship Church (Japanese American) and Ravenswood UMC. She has served as your District Lay Leader since 2013 on the Chicago Northwest District. She also serves on the Conference Shepherding Team.

NIGHTINGALES CONCERT

The Nightingales will perform at Central in the Sanctuary on **Friday, September 21**, at **7:30** pm. Rhina Paula Palma-Cruz and Bianca Camille Lopez are professional singers and have sung together all across America. Their harmonies are like Nightingales singing in the twilight. Music has been especially written for their voices. Come for a night of magical singing! A delicious reception will follow the concert.

CALENDAR

Today, Sunday, September 9

10:30 am - **Worship**

**Donna Sagami,
District Lay Leader**

Wednesday, September 12

7:00 pm - **Boy Scouts (LC)**

Thursday, September 13

7:00 pm - **Chancel Choir (S)**

Sunday, September 16

8:45 am - Chancel Choir

9:30 am - Adult Bible Study

10:30 am - **Worship**

REV. TIMOTHY BIEL JR.

Fellowship to follow

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
Jacquie Leipold
Cora Soco
Steve Winker
Rosemary Young
Nena Zamora

At Home:

Nancy Blaylock
Janet Casey
Lola Hessing
Wilma Oddivak
Harriet Tiahnybik
Eutopio Zamora

LEADERS

Pastor.....**Timothy Biel Jr.**
Today's Reader.....**Nicholas Werth**
Choir Director/Accompanist.....**Millete Silverio**
Song Leader.....**Julianne Arvizu**
Office Staff.....**Doris Bloom**
Pam Castaneda
Nursery Attendant.....**Ellen Mittman**
Lay Leader.....**Cynthia Barron**
Fellowship.....**Kitchen Crew**
Ministers.....**The People of the Congregation**

MEMORIAL WINDOW

Message:

Christ Lives Today!

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