

# **CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**November 24, 2019**

**CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY  
COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

**10:30 am**

\* = Please stand as able

## GATHERING

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Prelude

### ***Be Not Afraid***

Bob Dufford, SJ  
Arr. Marianne Kim  
Millete Silverio, piano

\*Call to Worship

Pamela Castaneda, *Reader*

Delight! Children of God, delight!

**We are delighted to be here together;  
to worship as a family and to be united  
in a common ministry.**

We gather in worship to celebrate this community.

**We celebrate the love that we have for one  
another, the support that we give to one  
another and the journey we are on to be  
united by God's grace.**

We come together this day to delight in offering  
our gifts.

**We delight in the gifts we are giving, the  
pledges we are making and the future we  
are creating.**

We join our hearts and our spirits today and delight  
in giving.

**We are here! We are delighted! We are united!**

Let us worship the God who loves when we delight  
in giving.

**Let us worship God!**

by Sarah E. Weaver

\*Hymnal #398

### ***Jesus Calls Us***

Unison Prayer:

**God, one of the great gifts that you have shared with us is your  
word. Open our hearts and minds as the scriptures are read and  
the message is proclaimed. Help us to hear with anticipation  
what you have to say and give us a sense of urgency to share it  
with others. AMEN.**

## WORD

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Anthem:

### ***You Are Mine***

David Haas  
Arr. Mark Hayes  
The Chancel Choir  
Millete Silverio, piano

\*Gospel

### ***Luke 9:23-24***

\*Hymnal #140

***Great is Their Faithfulness***

Message:

Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.

Entrance into Silence  
TFWS #2193

***Lord, Listen to your Children  
Praying***

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

## **TABLE and OFFERTORY**

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Great Thanksgiving

The Giving of the Bread and the Cup and  
Bringing Forward Commitment Cards

(please proceed forward to receive the bread and the cup  
and place your offering and your Commitment Card in the  
plates at the sides of the aisle.)

Communion Music

Prayer after Communion

## **SENDING FORTH**

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Announcements

Rev. Timothy J. Biel

\*TFWS #2218

***You Are Mine***

Benediction and  
Passing the Peace

Postlude

***Lift High The Cross***

Sidney H. Nicholson

Arr. Carolyn Hamlin

Millete Silverio, organ

# CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

## WELCOME!

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Thank you for choosing to worship at Central. Today, as we celebrate **HOLY COMMUNION**, you need not be a member of United Methodist 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 proceed forward to receive the bread and the cup.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

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Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given today by **EMELITA BENIGNO** in celebration of **MARICEL's** birthday.

## FELLOWSHIP

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Following worship, you are invited downstairs to Fellowship Hall for a time of food and conversation. Today's Fellowship is hosted by **EMELITA BENIGNO** in celebration of **MARICEL's** birthday.

## NOVEMBER: STEWARDSHIP MONTH

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Our **STEWARDSHIP CHALLENGE DRIVE** ends today, Commitment Sunday, with Pastor Biel's last of the stewardship sermon series.

## COMMITMENT CARDS

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Today is **COMMITMENT SUNDAY**, when we present our **COMMITMENT CARDS** for our gifts to God through Central for 2019. As you come forward to take communion, please place your **COMMITMENT CARD** in one of the plates on each side of the aisle. If you forgot your card or did not receive one, extras are available from the ushers. If you are not ready to offer your Commitment Card today, you may do so on future Sundays or mail it to the church office.

Thank you for your faithfulness, generosity and gifts. By your giving, Central Church continues to be a source of blessing to us and to many.

## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

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Believe it or not, it's time to order **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**. The cost is **\$12** per plant. Order forms are available from the ushers and in the narthex. Orders must be in by **next Sunday, December 1**.

## SANTA IN THE CABIN

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**Volunteers are needed to help with SANTA IN THE CABIN on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.** Any amount of time would be appreciated. Volunteers are needed to help set up Friday evening, kitchen and bake sale help, floaters through the day. Volunteers are also needed to bake items for the bake sale. Flyers are in the Narthex. Please take one to hand out to friends and coworkers to spread the word about Santa in the Cabin. **Please see Pam Castaneda or contact the church office at 847-673-1311 if you can help with this event.**

## INTERFAITH SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

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This year's **INTERFAITH SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING** will be on **Tuesday, November 26**, at **7:30 pm** at the **MUSLIM COMMUNITY CENTER ACADEMY, 9301 Gross Point Road** in **Skokie**.

## ADVENT AT THE EDGE

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Please join Pastor Biel in the Log Cabin starting on **Tuesday, December 3, 2019** at **8 am** and ending on **Tuesday, January 14, 2020** for a time of centering and contemplation.

## FOOD PANTRY NEXT SUNDAY

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Next Sunday, we welcome food donations for the **NILES TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY**. Items needed are: **Tuna/Salmon/Chicken/Chili; Kleenex; Women's Personal Care Items**. Shopping reminder cards are available in the Narthex. If you forget to purchase the items above, bring a can of "anything" in your cupboard/pantry for the Food Pantry. All donations are welcome.

## FOOD PANTRY TOY DRIVE

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**FOOD PANTRY TOY DRIVE** will replace Ornaments of Joy this year. Instead, we are collecting toys for needy children in our area, up to age 17. All toys are accepted but special requests have been made for Legos, plush blankets, sports equipment, cosmetic sets, art supplies and Barbie dolls. Warm gloves and hats are also needed. Please bring your unwrapped gifts and place under the Christmas tree in the narthex on **Sunday, December 8** and **Sunday, December 15**. See a member of the Mission Committee - Jo Ann Faber, Barb Smith or Kathy Tiffin with any questions.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

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November 26 - Claire Rogoski  
November 28 - Maricel Ladieras  
Maya Dass

## CALENDAR

**Sunday, November 24, 2019**

**Christ the King Sunday**

**Commitment Sunday**

8:45 am - Choir Practice

9:30 am - Adult Bible Study (LC)

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

**Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.**

Fellowship after Worship

**Tuesday, November 26, 2019**

7:30 pm - Interfaith Thanks-

giving Service - MCC Academy

9301 Gross Point Rd., Skokie

**Wednesday, November 27, 2019**

4 pm - Silent Vigil

**Thursday, November 28, 2019**

**Thanksgiving Day**

**Sunday, December 1, 2019**

**1st Sunday of Advent**

**Hanging of the Greens**

8:45 am - Choir Practice

9:30 am - Adult Bible Study

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

**Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.**

Fellowship after Worship

6 pm - Youth Group

## 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

Bob Wallander

Steve Winker

Rosemarie Young

***At Home:***

Elisa Arauco

Greg Arauco

Mavis Fowlin

Arlene Glazier

Harriet Tiahnybik

Cory Wallander

Nena Zamora

Eutopio Zamora

## LEADERS

Pastor..... **Timothy J. Biel Jr.**  
Reader.....**Pam Castaneda**  
Choir Director/Accompanist.....**Millete Silverio**  
Song Leader.....**Julianne Arvizu**  
Office Staff.....**Doris Bloom, Pam Castaneda  
& Kathy Tiffin**  
Nursery Attendant.....**Ellen Mittman**  
Lay Leader.....**Cynthia Barron**  
Fellowship.....**Emelita Benigno**  
Ministers .....**Rev. Adrienne Stricker, Deacon  
The People of the Congregation**

## MEMORIAL WINDOW

Message: Christ Lives Today!

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