

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8237 Kenton Avenue - Skokie, Illinois 60076

Phone: (847) 673-1311 - Fax: (847) 673-1312

Website: www.skokiecentralumc.org

E-mail: centralchurch@skokiecentralumc.org.



September 8, 2019
Thirteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
10:30 am

* = Please stand as able

GATHERING

Prelude

Change My Heart, O God

Eddie Espinosa

Arr by Stephen Nielson

Millete Silverio, piano

Welcome &

Announcements

Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.

*Call to Worship

Rev. Adrienne Stricker, Deacon, *Reader*

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

**Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord,
you know it completely.**

How weighty are your thoughts, O God!

How vast the sum of them!

**I try to count them - they are more than sand;
I come to the end - I am still with you.**

Today, let us again approach the mighty whom we can
only comprehend in part.

**Today, let us revel in the care that God has
for us and all creation.**

Hymn:

Covenant Prayer

Unison Prayer:

**O Lord, today we see the ordinary and extraordinary - the
simple and impossible, and we watch you rearrange all of our
preconceived notions about importance and priority. Help us
today to look at the world with your eyes. Help us live into your
intentions for your beloved creation. AMEN.**

WORD

Scripture:

Jeremiah 18: 1 - 11

Anthem:

You Are Mine

Chancel Choir

Millete Silverio, piano

Gospel:

Luke 14: 25 - 33

Message:

Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.

Entrance into Silence
Hymnal #382

Have Thine Own Way
verse 1

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offering Prayer

Offertory

The Potter's Hand

Darlene Zschech

Arr by Todd Beaney

Millete Silverio, piano

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

TABLE

Great Thanksgiving

The Giving of the Bread and the Cup

(please stay seated to receive the bread and the cup)

SENDING FORTH

*TFWS# 2152

Change My Heart O God

Benediction and
Passing the Peace

Postlude

This Little Light of Mine

African American Spiritual

Arr by Vicki Tucker Courtney

Millete Silverio, piano

John Tiffin, keyboard

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Keeping God central in hearts, minds, and lives

WELCOME!

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 stay seated to receive the bread and the cup.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given today by **BARB GIELOW** in loving memory of her husband, **TERRY**, and in honor of Pastor Biel and the congregation of Central Church.

KICK OFF SUNDAY

Summer is slipping away and in two weeks Autumn begins. Today, we have returned to our normal worship service at 10:30 am. There will be Fellowship after the service today but our annual **KICK OFF POTLUCK** will be on next **Sunday, September 15** in Fellowship Hall. Meat, plates, utensils and drinks will be provided; please bring a dish to share. (If you don't cook, consider a donation). If you can help with set up or clean up, please let **Mae Williams** know at **847-676-0798** or **hhldmaster@aol.com**. You can also call the office at **847-673-1311**. Volunteers are needed to host fellowship time for the rest of the year. A sign-up sheet will be available on the Bulletin Board outside the kitchen in Fellowship Hall.

Choir practice started today in the Sanctuary. New voices are welcome!

Adult Sunday School class started back today in the Log Cabin. All are welcome.

ALL AGES RETREAT

There will be a Retreat on **October 5 and 6** at Wesley Woods, Williams Bay, Wisconsin. Join us for fishing/camp fire/hiking and a good time. All ages are welcome. Cost is \$60 per person with a \$20 deposit by next Sunday, **September 15**. Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex after the service.

UPPER ROOM

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

INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP SYSTEMS

On **Tuesday, September 10**, at First UMC, 418 Touhy Avenue, Park Ridge, from **9 am to 12 noon**, the Chicago Northwestern District will be holding a conference-wide training to help leaders become more intentional about making disciples in their ministry setting. Please let the church office know if you are interested in attending so we can go in a group.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

If you interested in joining Central or just want to hear more about the church, please join Rev. Biel on **Wednesday, September 25**, at **7 pm** for Pizza with the Pastor in Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH GET-TOGETHER

Please join Pastor Biel and Ruby David for Sunday evening youth get-togethers. The first get-together will be next **Sunday, September 15** at **6 pm** in the Log Cabin. Hope you can join us for a fun evening.

UMCOR RELIEF

Hurricane Dorian has devastated the Bahamas and has landed on the East Coast, causing unimaginable living conditions. You may help provide relief by giving to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) through Central by making your checks payable to Central with "Hurricane" in the notation space. If you wish to donate electronically, go to umcmmission.org/umcor.

CONNECTION CARD

A Connection Card is inserted in the Bulletin. If you have any changes, please make them on the Card and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

September 8 - Timothy Biel III
September 11 - Betty Perry

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 8, 2019

13th Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 am - Chancel Choir (S)

9:30 am - Adult Bible Study (LC)

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

Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.

Rev. Adrienne Stricker, Deacon

Fellowship after worship

Sunday, September 15, 2019

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Kick Off Sunday

8:45 am - Chancel Choir (S)

9:30 am - Adult Bible Study

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

Rev. Timothy J. Biel Jr.

Kick Off Fellowship after
worship

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

6:30 pm - Silent Vigil at Holocaust

Statue on east side of

Skokie Library

6 pm - Youth Group (LC)

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

Rosemarie Young

At Home:

Greg Arauco

Arlene Glazier

Joy Hoffman

Jacquie Leipold

Harriet Tiahnybik

Cory Wallander

Nena Zamora

Eutopio Zamora

LEADERS

Pastor..... **Timothy J. Biel Jr.**

Reader.....**Rev. Adrienne Stricker, Deacon**

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.....**Mae Williams and
Her Kitchen Krew**

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***