

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

April 14, 2024, 9:15 AM Central Christian Church

About our service:

We want worship to be comfortable for you. Feel free to bring your **coffee** with you into the worship area.

You are welcome to leave an **offering** with us if you are motivated. Simply deposit your offering in the box on the south wall of the worship area or follow prompts to text-to-give or to give online.

MEDITATION TABLE:

STONES & VASE

Use the stones as a physical representation of your burden. Put the stones in the vase and leave the burden with God.

CANDLE

Light a candle for any praise or prayer concerns you have.

COMFORT CROSS

Feel free to pick up a cross and take it with you as a reminder that Jesus loves you unconditionally. His comfort, care, and transformative power is at work for you, in you, and through you today and always. Receive it. Praise God and share His never-ending love with others.

SCRIPTURE CARDS

Feel free to read and take one of the Scripture cards with you. You are encouraged to place it where you will see it throughout your week as a reminder of God's message for you.

PRAYER WALL

Stop by our prayer wall and leave a prayer for others to offer with you or to pray for those already posted.



Wifi= CCCGuest (No password)

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Neighborhood Prayer Group "Next Steps" Meeting

On Monday, April 15, anyone (and everyone) is invited to a discussion and conversation about "next steps" as it relates to our connection with our immediate neighborhood. This conversation will pick up where the Neighborhood Prayer Group left off. As you might remember, a Neighborhood Prayer Group met every Monday from early February through Palm Sunday to pray for our neighborhood. In our attempt to be "good neighbors" in our immediate environment and to build connections with those who share this space with us, we want to keep this mission and purpose ever before us. Any decision we, as a church, make regarding anything formal or official will made through the church council. We envision this kind of a meeting to be one that keeps the conversation going as we seek to discern how and where God might be leading us. If you're interested, join us in the Disciples Room at 5:00 p.m.

Fellowship Meal to Welcome Pastor Melinda

Save the date of Sunday, April 21 and make your plans to attend Central now.

- At the 10:30 service, Rev. Dr. Alex Ruth our Associate Regional Minister – will be in worship to officially install Pastor Melinda as our Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Pastoral Care.
- Following the 10:30 worship, we will have a fellowship meal where Pastor Melinda will be our guest of honor. We will have a brief program to help get to know Pastor Melinda better. Reserve your spot for the fellowship dinner (217) 428-4336 or central@cccdisciples.org.

Save the Date!!

On Saturday, September 14th, at 1:30pm, Central Christian Church will present the inaugural preschool benefit golf outing! The outing will be held at the Moweaqua Golf Course in Moweaqua, Illinois. The event will be a four person scramble, \$400 per foursome. Prizes will be available and proceeds benefit the preschool at Central. More information to come!

Are you interested in joining Central?

The only thing required to be a member of Central Christian is having faith in Jesus Christ. If you are moved during the service to <u>confess</u> your faith, or <u>transfer your membership</u> to Central, simply come up to the minister at the communion table **during the communion time**. If you wish to talk with a minister more about membership, simply let Pastor Michael or Pastor Vicky know after worship.

Acts 1:15-16, 21-26 NRSVUE

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the brothers and sisters (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶ "Brothers and sisters, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus,

²¹ "So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³ So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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Responsive Reading

Leader: Beloved, we journey together through this resurrection season.

People: We seek to be faithful as we listen for God's direction.

Leader: Just like the first apostles prayed for guidance, we also lift our prayers to you.

People: May our words be genuine and compassionate.

Leader: May our actions be kind and loving.

People: May all we do reflect our great love for You, O God.

Serving Sunday, 4/14

Elder – Jim Fitzpatrick Deacon – Matt & Laura Moma Greeter – Matt & Laura Moma Liturgist – Rebecca Monroe Snacks – Suzie Turner

Serving Next Sunday, 4/21

Elder – Krista Rohrscheib Deacon – Ron & Angie Ingram Greeter – Cheryl & David Zollinger Liturgist – Marci Baumann Snacks – Ron & Angie Ingram