

Today's Events: June 14

- 8:45 am Sunday School
- 10:00 am Worship Service – *Sanctuary*
- 10:30 am Children's Church - *Chapel*
- 11:00 am Newish to Central Coffee Hour - *Library*
Central Welcome Committee - *Parlor*
- 11:15 am Children's Playtime – *Chapel*
Parent Gathering – *Conference Room*
Youth Sunday School – *Youth Arena*

This Week's Events: June 15-21

Mon., 6/15	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School
	5:45 pm	Theology Pub – <i>Village Pub</i>
Tues., 6/16	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School
	2:00 pm	Dementia Partners - <i>Library</i>
Wed., 6/17	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School
	11:00 am	Centering Prayer – <i>Chapel</i>
Thurs., 6/18	8:00 am	Thursday Morning Prayer - <i>Zoom</i>
	9am-12pm	Vacation Bible School
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer - <i>Zoom</i>
Fri., 6/19	9 am-12pm	Vacation Bible School
Sat., 6/20	For the week	Hosting Catholic Mission Group – <i>Youth Arena</i>
Sun., 6/21	8:45 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>
	10:30 am	Children's Church - <i>Chapel</i>
	11:15 am	Parent Gathering – <i>Conference Room</i> Children's Play Time - <i>Chapel</i> Youth Sunday School – <i>Youth Arena</i>

Sunday Rhythm for Children & Youth!

Nursery	Elementary	Youth	Parents
9:30am-12:30pm	Worship 10:00-10:30 am	Worship 10:00-11:15 am	Worship 10:00-11:15 am
	Children's Church 10:30-11:45 am		
Children's Play Time 11:15-11:45 am		Youth Sunday School 11:15-11:45 am	Young Parent Gathering 11:15-11:45 am

Ministry Staff:

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Sermon Discussion Questions

Continue to reflect on today's message by journaling or discussing the following questions:

- What is a large group of people that you have prayed for? Teachers? Students? Politicians? The unhoused? People of color?
- Thinking of that group, hear Jesus' words: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest (Matthew 9:37-38).
- You are the laborers! How is God calling *you* to be good news for this group of people?

Daily Suggested Scripture Readings

- Monday: Matthew 9:35-38
- Tuesday: Psalm 23
- Wednesday: Mark 6:30-44
- Thursday: Psalm 28
- Friday: John 10:1-21
- Saturday: Isaiah 40:1-11

Next Week in Worship...

We're going to ROME! That's our theme for Vacation Bible School this year. After a week of Bible stories, crafts, music, and games from Rome, we'll give you a taste of all the fun and God moments during worship. Come and support our kids as they share some of the music with us!



Ordinary Time
June 14, 2026
10:00 a.m.

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Mary Brown

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

"Abide with Me"
"O Perfect Love"

Monk
Barnby

Sheila Johnson and Rhonda Feeman, handbells

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 23

Rev. Lisa Rettew

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures,
leads me beside still waters,
restores my life,
leads me in right paths
for the sake of the Lord's name.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil,
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
as long as I live.

***HYMN 178**

"Hope of the World"

VICAR

MISSION MOMENT: Staff Parish Relations Committee

Steve Oak

PASTORAL PRAYER ending with the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Lisa Rettew

OFFERTORY

"Dream Children"
Eric Sands, cello; Patricia Sands, piano

Edward Elgar

While the choir makes their musical offering, the ushers will pass plates for those who wish to offer a financial gift or a prayer request. You may also use this QR code to make a financial gift. Whether you place something in the plate or not, you are invited to pause as you pass it and reflect on what you hope to offer God this week.



*DOXOLOGY		Hymnal 94
	"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"	
SCRIPTURE READING	Matthew 9:35-38	Laila Al-Abed
SERMON	"Praying for Laborers"	Rev. Dr. Mary Brown
A MODERN AFFIRMATION (Hymnal 885)		Rev. Lisa Rettew
*HYMN 573	"O Zion, Haste"	TIDINGS
*BENEDICTION		Rev. Dr. Mary Brown
CHIMES OF THE TRINITY		
POSTLUDE	"Allegretto"	G.F. Handel

**Please stand, if you are able.*

A livestream of the worship service is available in the library for families. Nursery is available in Room 309 for children ages 0-5.

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the Ushers.

The flowers in the Chancel this morning are given by Marvin Cole in honor of the Children and Families Ministry. Looking forward to a fun-filled week of Vacation Bible School!

Plainclothes law enforcement officers are present during our services so that all may feel welcome, secure and free to worship, and experience God's grace freely. Our staff members are in direct communication with the officers should you feel the need to ask for assistance or voice a concern.

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Financial Update through May 2026:

2026 Year to Date Tithes & Offerings: \$645,833

Total Annual Budget: \$1,550,000

ECO Tip: Bamboo grows quickly; it is strong yet lightweight. It is a sustainably raised product that can be used in our kitchens (cutting boards, spoons, paper towels), our homes (toothbrush handles), paper goods, furniture, clothing, even our food. Look for bamboo products, which can substitute for wood or plastic products.



At Central, praying for others is the beginning of wrapping our love around you when you are facing a tough time or experiencing a deep joy. We believe this scripture from Matthew 8:20 that "where two or three gather in my (Jesus) name, there am I with them." Our Circle of Prayer group believes that through their prayers on behalf of others that they are "standing in the gap for your needs and seeking God's blessings for you."

If you feel there is often a strong sense of God's direction in your prayers, maybe you are being called to participate in this intercessory prayer group, either by Zoom or in person. Please contact Pastor Lisa for more details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There's no place like Rome! Meet Paul and explore the underground church in Rome this summer at Vacation Bible School which begins tomorrow and runs through Friday, June 19,, 9am-12 pm. We'll play games, sing songs, eat snacks, make crafts, and more! Campers & volunteers sign up on Realm! For more information, email mchristy@centralumc.org.



Backpacking with Wilderness Trail – rising 7th graders through graduating seniors are invited to join us July 13-18. No experience necessary! Just a desire to spend time in nature with God and good friends. Scholarships available! Sign up now on Realm. For more information, email mchristy@centralumc.org.



Calling EVERYONE – are you 18 or older, able to pass a background check, and willing to share God's love by supervising, teaching, or feeding our young friends? We need your help! We need more safe adults to volunteer for Children's Church, after worship Children's Playtime or Kids with Purpose, Youth Group, providing youth meals and special events.

We Are Hiring! – We need a Nursery Supervisor, Nursery Staff and Nursery Substitutes. If this is something you might be interested in doing, please contact Maggie Christy at mchristy@centralumc.org.

Central's United Women in Faith are excited to announce the recipients of the **Maureen Carr Memorial UWF Scholarship**. Thanks to the generosity of Central's congregation, we are able to award two-\$1000 scholarships this year to Kai Provine and Rachel Sessions.