

Elder's Meditation

Elder Mary Jane Linton

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Elder Brett Swallow

(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation. You may eat the Bread as it is passed, but hold the Cup to drink together.)

Communion Music

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body of Christ.

**All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our Communion
in the blood of Christ. Amen.**

Benediction

*Recessional

I Am Thine, O Lord (vs. 1, 2)

No. 601

Postlude

Fugue in G minor

J. S. Bach

(Please remain in your pews until the Acolytes have left the aisle.)

**All who are able, please stand*



Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
Decatur, Illinois
www.cccdisciples.org

Sunday, February 18, 2018



Michael E. Karunas
Senior Minister

Don Martin
Minister of Music

Tina Miller
Associate Minister of
CE and Family Life

David Martin
Youth Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP

First Sunday in Lent

Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope

GATHERING

Preludium in G minor

J. S. Bach

Dee Dee Gain, organ

Prelude

Introit

*The Processional ***Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*** No. 180

*Responsive Reading Scott Woolridge

Leader: Come nearer to God;
return from the far country, from self-exile,
from selfish desire.

**People: God meets us on the way;
God's arms are open to welcome us.**

Leader: God welcomes the lost and celebrates our return.

**People: Let us draw near to God. Let our face be seen among the
witnesses.**

**All: Let us worship our God,
whose lavish love awaits our homecoming,
who rejoices when the lost is found.**

*Invocation

*Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever,
Amen.**

*Gloria Patri No. 35

Children's Message

Tina Miller

PRAYER

Prayer Hymn ***Have Thine Own Way, Lord! (vs. 1, 2, 3)*** No. 588

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response ***Have Thine Own Way, Lord! (vs. 4)*** No. 588

(If you want someone to pray with you after this service, please meet an Elder in the church gallery just to your right as you leave the sanctuary)

Offertory Invitation

Offertory ***Precious Lord, Take My Hand*** Mark Hayes

Larry Wade, piano

*Doxology No. 46

*Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAMATION

Anthem ***The Face of God*** Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir; Larry Wade, flute

Scripture Reading ***Matthew 27:32-61***
(pg. 32-33 N.T.)

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon ***Faces at the Cross***

RESPONSE

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn of Communion ***Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*** No. 587

(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)

Outreach Communion:

Pat Ash	Mary Jane Linton
Charlotte Ballance	Connie Bordner
Shirley Swarthout	Kim Maple

Deacons:

8:00 - Team 1 - Gene & Sandy Garver, Gail Prince, Debbie Hoffert, Al & Chris Fagin, Dennis Downey, Pamela Bednar, David Wagner
10:30 - Team 2 - Christine Lyman-Harm, Janet Lyman, Dale & Judy Ford, Erik Harm, Kathy Kauzlarich, Ron Oliver, Steve Swarthout, Andy Fulk, Janelle Beedle, Tom & Diane Ritter, Paul Gorden, Roberta Gorden, Thomas Karunas

Ushers:

8:00 - Team 2 - Becky Johnston, Capt., Betty Scott, Bruce Campbell
10:30 - Team 7 - George Virgil, Capt., Linda Virgil, Jon & Jane French

Greeters:

8:00 - Gene & Sandy Garver
10:30 - Jon & Jane French

Acolytes:

8:00 - TBD
10:30 - TBD

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Jim Bednar
10:30 - Larry Pepper

Preparation of Communion:

Suzie Miller, Jim & Myra Hinze, Kim Miller

Sunday, February 18, 2018

8:00-Worship Service
9:00-New Worship, Great Hall
9:00-Fellowship Coffee
10:30-Worship Service
1:00-Cub Scouts Banquet, Great Hall
1:00-Youth Group Ice Skating Outing, Civic Center

Monday (19)

Preschool Closed

Tuesday (20)

7:00-Journeymen, Connection Café
8:00-ChristCare Stitchers Retreat, 207 & Disciples' Room
9:30-Card Ministry, 240
11:15-Staff Meeting, Conference Room
1:00-VBS Planning Meeting, Conference Room
6:30-Heart & Soul, Choir Room & Connection Café

Wednesday (21)

10:15-Chapel, Friendship Center
10:30-Minister's Meeting
1:00-Artwork Committee Meeting, Connection Café
3:00-Trustee's Meeting, Conference Room
4:30-Dorcas Planning Meeting, Connection Café
5:30-Church Council Committees Meeting, Great Hall
6:30-Criminal Justice, 207

Thursday (22)

10:00-Alanon, 240
11:30-St. Mary's Widow Support, Diamonds
11:45-CINC, Disciples' Room
4:00-Journeymen 2, Connection Café
5:30-Cont. Worship Leaders Meeting, Great Hall
6:00-Brass Choir, Disciples' Room
6:15-Praise Team Rehearsal, Great Hall
7:00-Chancel Choir

Friday (23)

11:00-Irwin Soliday Recognition, Connection Café

Saturday (24)

8:00-BabyTalk & Noon Kiwanis Club: Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser, Great Hall

Sunday (25)

8:00-Worship Service
9:00-New Worship, Great Hall
9:00-Fellowship Coffee
10:30-Worship Service
10:30-Heart & Soul Concert
4:00-Storytelling Orientation, Disciples' Room

Soliday Recognized

Irwin Soliday will be turning 100 this month and, as a veteran of WWII, he will be recognized by the State of Illinois. A representative from the Governor's office will be coming to Central on Friday, 2/23 at 11 a.m. to present Irwin with a Veterans award.

If you would like to support Irwin and witness this commendation, you are more than welcome! Congratulations Irwin... for more reasons than one!

Cookies for the Military

Operation Enduring Support is collecting Girl Scout Cookies to send to our military overseas in our Easter mailing. If anyone would like to contribute boxes of cookies, please contact Carol Bischoff at 620-8696. Thank you.

Keeping God in everyone's corner

When we look at all the needs in God's world, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. We can feel trapped by hopelessness that we are too small to truly make a difference.

But there is hope, and WE are that hope.

Through our Week of Compassion offering through the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), last year we helped families in South Texas and Puerto Rico impacted by hurricanes, offered food and shelter to people as far away as Sierra Leone and Bangladesh who experienced the most severe flooding of the century, and extended God's care to refugees from Syria and Somalia.

Through our Week of Compassion Offering, to be collected the next two Sundays (Feb. 18 and 25), we continue to imagine an unimaginable world where the love of God is felt in every corner. Please consider giving generously.

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 24th
8—10 am
Central Christian Church
Great Hall

Adults: \$8

Kids 12 & Under: \$4

Proceeds to benefit Baby Talk and Decatur Noon Kiwanis Club

Tickets Available in the Office

About Today's Music

Anthem *The Face of God*

Words and Music: Karen Drucker

Arrangement: Mark Hayes

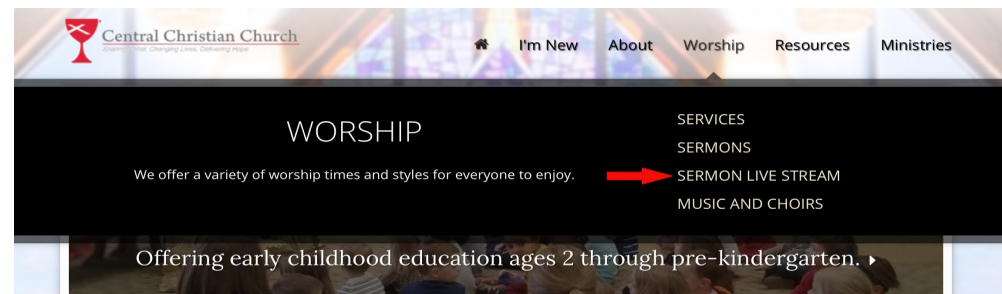
You are the face of God.
I hold you in my heart.
You are a part of me.
You are the face of God

You are the face of love.
I hold you in my heart.
You are my family.
You are the face of God

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Central's Live Stream Worship

Central works hard to be able to serve our congregation to the best of our ability. Offering many different ways to connect, share, & change. One of those ways is providing a live stream of our 10:30 traditional service. For whatever reason, if you can not be here on Sunday, we want you to be able to still receive the Lord's word. The live stream begins at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday (check the Visitor for announcements regarding canceled streams). If you missed the live stream, don't worry. We provide an archive of all of our services so you can conveniently access them anytime. So whether you're home or on vacation, join us on Sundays.



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