

# CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**10:30 am**

\* Please stand as able

## GATHERING

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Prelude

***Easter Lilies***

*James Southbridge  
Millete Silverio*

Welcome &  
Announcements

*Pastor David Haley*

\*Call to Worship

*Wayne Rogoski, Leader*

Risen Christ, elusive and unknown,

**join us on our journey.**

In the hearing of the Word,

**may our hearts burn within us,**

In the breaking of the bread,

**may our eyes will be opened,**

That we might recognize your presence  
among us:

**filling us with hope and joy.**

\*Hymn 610

***We Know That Christ is Raised***

Opening Prayer

**Elusive God, companion on the way, you walk behind, beside, beyond us; you catch us unawares. Break through the disillusionment and despair that clouds our vision, and startle us - that, with wide-eyed wonder, we may find our way and journey on as messengers of your good news for all the people of the earth. Amen.**

## WORD

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First Reading	<b>Acts 2: 14, 36 - 42</b> <i>Wayne Rogoski, Reader</i>
Psalms	<b>Psalm 116: 1 - 4, 12 - 19</b> <i>The Grail Version</i>
Anthem	<b>Just a Closer Walk with Thee</b> <i>arr. by Ed Lojeski</i> <i>The Chancel Choir</i>
*Gospel	<b>Luke 24: 13 - 35</b>
*Hymn 309	<b>On the Day of Resurrection</b>
Message	<b>Walking That Emmanus Road</b> <i>Pastor Haley</i>
The Prayers	
Offering	<b>See What a Morning</b> <i>Words &amp; Music by Keith Getty &amp; Stuart Townend; arr. Mary McDonald Millete Silverio, piano</i>

## TABLE

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*The Peace	
Great Thanksgiving	
The Giving of the Bread and the Cup	<i>(please go forward to receive the bread and dip it into the cup)</i>
Prayer After Communion	

## SENDING FORTH

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*Hymn 310	<b>He Lives</b>
*Dismissal & Blessing	
*Postlude	<b>Blessed Assurance</b> <i>Phoebe Palmer Knapp;</i> <i>arr. Douglas E. Wagner</i>

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

## WELCOME!

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If you are a guest at Central today, we welcome you! Here's some helpful things to know:

- **RESTROOMS** are downstairs. There is also an accessible restroom just outside the sanctuary, to the left.
- The words to the hymns, the Scripture readings, and the responses may be followed on the screen. Please silence all **CELL PHONES** before the service.
- At the time of the **OFFERING**, we realize not every one carries cash or checks; to donate electronically go to [www.skokiecentralumc.org/donate.html](http://www.skokiecentralumc.org/donate.html)
- Today as we celebrate **HOLY COMMUNION**, you need not be United Methodist or a member of 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 go forward to receive the bread and dip it into the cup.

## PRAYERS FOR HEALING

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Today is a Fifth Sunday, when we offer **PRAYERS FOR HEALING** for those who seek healing, in the front of the sanctuary following worship. Everyone who seeks healing for any reason is invited to participate.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

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Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by **ELSIE FERNANDEZ** in loving memory of her father and grandmother. Please note that no one has signed up for flowers for the following Sundays: **July 2, July 23, August 13** and **October 8**. Please contact the church office at 847-673-1311 or by email at [centralchurch@skokiecentralumc.org](mailto:centralchurch@skokiecentralumc.org) if you would like to provide altar flowers for any of those Sundays.

## 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 **SIMLA CORPUZ** and **ELSIE FERNANDEZ** in celebration of their birthdays.

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## NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY

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Today is **NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY**, a special offering Sunday in the United Methodist Church. It is a day to recognize the contributions of Native Americans to society. Your gifts to this special offering will help support Native American ministries; provide scholarships and strengthen, develop and equip Native American rural and urban congregations, ministries and communications. Offering envelopes are available from the ushers.

## FOOD PANTRY NEXT SUNDAY

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Next Sunday we welcome food donations to the **NILES TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY**. Items needed are: ***Peanut Butter and Jelly; Spaghetti/Spaghetti Sauce; Juice Boxes; and Detergent (any size)***. Shopping reminder cards are available from **LOIS MARTIN**. 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.

## UPPER ROOM

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The **May/June** edition of the daily devotional booklet, **UPPER ROOM**, is available in the literature rack in the Vestibule.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

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May 1 - Michele Harbeck Haley  
5 - Donna Campbell  
7 - Dennis David

*To add a name to the birthday list, contact the church office at (847) 673-1311 or [central\\_church@skokiecentralumc.org](mailto:central_church@skokiecentralumc.org).)*

## LEARN MORE ABOUT CENTRAL

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Learn more about **CENTRAL** and stay in touch through our **WEBSITE** at [www.skokiecentralumc.org](http://www.skokiecentralumc.org), by "liking" Central's **FACEBOOK** page (*Central United Methodist Church*), and through an **EMAIL UPDATE** which goes out every Friday, previewing what's happening Sunday. Sign up to receive it by sharing your email on the **WELCOME PAD** located in the pew, or by contacting the church office.

## **CALENDAR**

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Native American Ministries  
Sunday**

**Prayers for Healing**

8:45 am - Chancel Choir  
9:30 am - Sunday School  
& Adult Bible Study  
10:30 am - **Worship**  
Fellowship to follow

**Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

6 pm - Chimes for Christ (FH)

**Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

7 pm - Scout Troop 72

**Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

7 pm - Choir Practice

**Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Food Pantry Sunday**

8:45 am - Chancel Choir  
9:30 am - Sunday School  
& Adult Bible Study  
10:30 am - **Worship**  
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## **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

*To add/remove someone from the Prayer List,  
contact the church office*

### **Hospitals, Rehab, Assisted Living & Extended Care:**

Edith Bass  
Carmen Ewing  
Brian Gut  
Leone O'Roark  
Steve Winker

### **At Home:**

Greg Arauco  
Janet Casey  
Lola Hessing  
Russ Nelson  
Wilma Odlivak  
Harriet Tiahnybik  
Eutopio Zamora

## **LEADERS**

Pastor.....**David L. Haley**  
Today's Reader.....**Wayne Rogoski**  
Choir Director/Accompanist.....**Millete Silverio**  
Song Leader.....**Julianne Arvizu**  
Office Staff.....**Doris Bloom & Pam Castaneda**  
Nursery Attendant.....**Ellen Mittman**  
Lay Leader.....**Cynthia Barron**  
Fellowship.....**Simla Corpuz & Elsie Fernandez**  
Ministers .....**The People of the Congregation**

## **MEMORIAL WINDOW**

Message: Christ Lives Today!

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