

# CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**10:30 am**

*\*Please stand as able*

## **GATHERING**

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Prelude

### ***Nobody Knows The Trouble i've Seen***

*Traditional Spiritual; arr. Mark Hayes  
Millete Silverio & John Tiffin*

Welcome &  
Announcements

*Cynthia Barron, Lay Leader*

\*Call to Worship

*Doris Bloom, Leader*

We gather in this place to worship our God:  
**calm Presence in our times  
of confusion, Comforter in  
our nights of struggle.**

We gather with fellow pilgrims,  
as we seek to follow Jesus:

**Brother to those swamped by  
fears, Friend to all overwhelmed  
by loss.**

We are brought together by the Spirit  
who lives in the depths of our souls:

**the Serenity who travels with us  
on this up-and-down journey we  
call life.**

*(Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies)*

\*Hymn 145

### ***Morning Has Broken***

Opening Prayer

**God help us to change.  
To change ourselves and to change our world.  
To know the need for it.  
To deal with the pain of it.  
To feel the joy of it.  
To undertake the journey without understanding  
the destination.  
The art of gentle revolution. Amen.**

*(From Michael Leunig, from "A Common Prayer" (1990))*

Children's Moment

*Rev. Sylvia Pleas*

## WORD

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| First Reading                          | <b>Hebrews 13: 1 - 8, 15 - 18</b><br><i>Doris Bloom, Reader</i>   |
| Second Reading                         | <b>1 Thess. 5: 10 - 19</b>  |
| *Gospel                                | <b>John 13: 34 - 35</b>   |
| *Hymn 393                              | <b>Spirit of the Living God</b>   |
| Message                                | <b>When Change Comes to Church</b><br><i>Jane Rubietta</i>  |
| The Prayers                            | <i>Cynthia Barron</i>   |
| The Offering                           |   |
| Offering for Central                   |   |
| Love Offering for Abounding Ministries |   |
|  | <b>Mighty to Save</b><br><i>Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan</i><br><i>arr. Jay Rouse</i><br><i>Jamie, Julianne, Ben &amp; Will Arvizu</i><br><i>Millete Silverio</i> |

## TABLE

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| *The Peace                          |                          |
| Great Thanksgiving                  | <i>Rev. Sylvia Pleas</i> |
| The Giving of the Bread and the Cup | <i>(seated)</i>          |
| Prayer After Communion              |                          |

## SENDING FORTH

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| *Hymn 2222 TFWS       | <b>The Servant Song</b>   |
| *Dismissal & Blessing |   |
| *Postlude             | <b>Wade in the Water</b><br><i>Traditional Spiritual</i><br><i>Setting by Larry Shackley</i><br><i>Millete Silverio &amp; John Tiffin</i> |

# CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

## WELCOME!

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If you are a guest today, we welcome you and are honored that you have come to worship at Central today. 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 receive the bread and the cup while seated, in silence.

## JANE RUBIETTA

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During this interim time between Pastor Haley and Pastor Timothy Biel Jr., our speaker is again author and speaker **JANE RUBIETTA**. Jane is an internationally known speaker and the award-winning author of 19 books. **REV. RICH RUBIETTA**, Jane's husband, is a modern-day circuit rider, Elder and Conference Evangelist for the United Methodist Church. Appointed to **ABOUNDING MINISTRIES**, Rich and Jane crisscross Northern Illinois and the U.S. each week, introducing creative uses of speaking and music in worship, school assemblies, workshops, libraries, youth events and conferences.

The Conference Evangelist appointment is not a conference staff position and provides no salary or benefits, so Abounding Ministries is financed through support from individuals and churches where services are offered. A separate free will offering will be taken today to support Abounding Ministries, a Rainbow Covenant ministry of Jane and her husband, Rev. Rich Rubietta. Checks should be made payable to Abounding Ministries. Their website is [UMCALive.com](http://UMCALive.com). Jane's books and CDs will be available for purchase in the Narthex.

Jane's sermon today is **'WHEN CHANGE COMES TO CHURCH,'** appropriate for this time in the life of our congregation.

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## ALTAR

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Today's **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by **SIMLA CORPUZ** in celebration of her husband **PERCY's** birthday.

## SUMMERTIME!

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Choir, Sunday School and Fellowship are out for the summer, and will resume the Sunday after Labor Day, September 9<sup>th</sup>. The 8:30 am summer service in the Log Cabin is on hold during this interim time between pastors.

## FOOD PANTRY NEXT SUNDAY

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Next Sunday, we welcome food donations to the **NILES TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY**. Items needed this month are: **Cereal, Canned or Dry Beans, Deodorant, Toilet Paper**. 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.

## NEXT SUNDAY: REV. ROBERT BURKHART

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Central's guest preacher for the next two Sundays will be an esteemed special guest: the **REV. ROBERT BURKHART**, who served as Central's pastor for 20 years, from 1987 to 2007. We welcome Bob back and thank him for assisting Central during this time of transition between **PASTOR HALEY** and **REV. TIMOTHY BIEL JR.** Rev. Biel's first Sunday in worship will be July 15<sup>th</sup>.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

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June 29 - Nicky Blaylock

Doris Bloom

Jo Ann Faber

Tanya Mels

June 30 - Eric Wolff-Klammer

July 1 - James Faber

## UPPER ROOM

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

## **CALENDAR**

**Today, Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Jane Rubietta**

10:30 am - **Worship**

**Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>**

10:30 am - **Worship**

**Rev. Robert Burkhart,**

**Pastor of Central 1987-2007**

### **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  
Wilma Odlivak  
Steve Winker

***At Home:***

Nancy Blaylock  
Janet Casey  
Lola Hessing  
Harriet Tiahnybik  
Eutopia Zamora

### **LEADERS**

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

### **MEMORIAL WINDOW**

Message:

Christ Lives Today!

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