

CENTRAL UMC LEADERSHIP

Administrative Council

Ann Cashner: Administrative Council Chair

Alisa Clapp-Itnyre: Secretary

Pat Heiny: Lay Leader

Jan Passmore: Finance Chair

Janet Robinson: Treasurer

Amy McKee: UWF Representative

Jan Passmore: Endowment Chair

Ron Itnyre & Randy Cashner: Co-Trustee Chairs

Connie Locker: Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) Chair

Joyce Egger: Friends Fellowship Community Representative

Becky Shaw: Missions Chair

Barb Shirden: At-Large

Jim Puckett: At-Large

Lowell Robinson: At-Large

Kathy Eyer: At-Large

Kathy Jones: At-Large

David Shaw: At-Large

Central UMC Staff

Doug Anderson: Transitional Lead Pastor

Ashley Flores: Associate Pastor

Shiyu Wang: Director of Music Ministries

Stephen Flores: Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Christin Hampton: Business Coordinator

Joshlyn Sandlin: Central Early Learning Center Director

Carla Gillespie: Receptionist

Greg Scott: Lead Custodian

Kelli Fisher: Custodian



Welcome to Worship

March 30th, 2025

Central United Methodist Church

Richmond, IN

All guests are encouraged to fill out the welcome card found in the pews

GATHERING

Chopin Prelude No. 2

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: We come together today, remembering God's faithfulness in times of trial.

People: God is with us, through every storm and every season.

Leader: In the wilderness, God provided manna from heaven, feeding and sustaining God's people.

People: We are nourished by God's grace, given through the hands of others.

Leader: Just as God provided for the Israelites in the wilderness, God continues to provide for those rebuilding after the devastation of a disaster.

People: We are God's people, and we are called to join in the work of restoration, bringing hope and healing.**All: Let us respond to God's call to serve those in need, offering our time, our talents and our resources. Amen.**

Pass the Peace

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty Red 64

*Scripture John 11:17-27

Prayer

Offertory O Faithful Cross - Eugene Englert Chancel Choir

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn Guide My Feet Black 2208

Children's Moment

Sermon I AM the Resurrection and the Life Pastor Ashley Flores

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Doxology Red 95

*Hymn Shine, Jesus, Shine Black 2173

Benediction

Postlude Bach Goldberg Variations, Var. 10



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 30th

9:00am: Adult Sunday School
10:00am: Worship & Children's Church
11:15am: 5th Sunday Church Pitch-in
5:00pm: OASIS Teen Group

Monday, March 31st

7:30am: Central Early Learning Center
8:30am: Central Preschool
12:00pm: Women's Prayer Group
6:45pm: Brianna's Hope

Tuesday, April 1st

7:30am: Central Early Learning Center

Wednesday, April 2nd

7:30am: Central Early Learning Center
8:30am: Central Preschool
12:00pm: Men's Prayer Group
5:30pm: Wesley Ringers
6:30pm: Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 3rd

7:30am: Central Early Learning Center
10:30am: Low Vision Support Group
6:30pm: Ad Council

Friday, April 4th

7:30am: Central Early Learning Center
8:30am: Central Preschool
12:00pm: Wisdom Study

Saturday, April 5th

Sunday, April 6th

9:00am: Adult Sunday School
10:00am: Worship & Children's Church
5:00pm: OASIS Teen Group

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYER



Arbor Trace: Marion Bentlage

Forest Park: Phyllis Bennett

Friends Fellowship: Miram McComb

Legacy at Prairie Lakes: Wanda Puckett

The Willows: Candy Morguson

Brickyard Golden Rule: Elizabeth Itnyre

& everyone who is at home and unable to attend
Pastoral Visits

Do you know someone who could benefit from a visit? Let us know! We do our best to connect with all of our members but sometimes miss important information. If you or someone you know is in the hospital, has had surgery, or could just use a home visit, call the church office at 765-962-8543. We don't know unless you tell us!

Central Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 12pm / 1pm - 5pm

Friday: 9am - 1pm

765.962.8543 • central@richmondcumc.com • richmondcumc.com
Facebook.com/richmondcumc • Instagram.com/richmondcentralumc

Our Vision

Connect, Grow, and Serve at Central, because Jesus is central.

Our Mission

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Easter Lily Order Form

Please Print. All orders are due no later than **Monday April 7th at 5:00pm**

Any orders after that, will not be placed. Lilies are \$20.00 each. Place tear sheet in offering plate.

Given By: _____

Number of Lilies: _____

In Honor Of: _____

In Loving Memory Of: _____



Garage Sale - May 31st

Are you tackling that spring cleaning list and wondering what to do with that ever-growing pile of stuff? We've got the perfect solution! Our BIG Garage Sale is happening on May 31st, and now's your chance to clear out the clutter for a great cause! Drop off your treasures anytime at the "Garage Sale Drop-Off Zone" outside the main office. Donate your stuff. Make a difference. Every dollar raised goes directly to support local missions! Let's turn your old finds into new blessings for our community!

A Heartfelt Thank You to Central United Methodist Church from the Laundry Project

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to the wonderful congregation of Central United Methodist Church for their incredible generosity. On Sunday, March 16th, you came together and raised an amazing \$1,515 in donations. Your kindness and commitment to making a difference is truly inspiring. This gift will go a long way in supporting our project. Thank you for being a shining example of compassion and community. Together, we can accomplish incredible things!

Undy 500

In MAY we will be having a new and improved version of Undy Sunday, called the Undy 500. Pastor Doug has challenged us to collect and donate 500 pair of underwear (men's, women's, children's) to nonprofits in our community. Start looking for sales now. We can do this, Central! Thank you for all you do to further God's kingdom right where we live.

- Ann Cashner, The Mission Committee, and the Administrative Council

Central Early Learning Center Thank You!

We want to say a big THANK YOU to anyone who has donated in any way! Whether it be items, egg orders, even eggs to use for our event. It is all greatly appreciated and helps us provide the best care and learning possible for the little humans here at Central! We are very blessed for the help and opportunity to be able to continue to update and grow, plus the kids get so excited over even the littlest things so we continue to get to see their bright smiles as they discover each new thing! It all helps in ways most probably wouldn't think of, so I'll end by saying THANK YOU one more time!

Exciting Updates and Events!

- We have openings in the Infants, Ones, and Twos classes. We are now fully staffed!
- Open Enrollment for preschool starts Monday, April 28th
- We are working on times during the week to have volunteers scheduled to come in for an hour and read stories, do a craft, etc



Koinonia Class Invitation

Are you looking for a kernel of hope in a chaotic world? Are you or is someone you know and love suffering from a terminal illness? If so, the Koinonia Sunday School Class cordially invites you to join us for a unique two book study.

The Koinonia Class will finish its present book study on March 23rd. On March 30th we will discuss guilt – real guilt, neurotic guilt, and existential guilt. This is a one-week study and anyone is welcome to join us for this limited study.

On April 6th we will start a two-book study alternating from one to the other every other week. This is a unique approach. The two books are:

My Bright Abyss – Meditation of a Modern Believer by Christian Wiman. My Bright Abyss is a non-linear narrative by a poet living with terminal cancer. It is an intellectual and emotional challenging read; intense, confusing and a bit disruptive. Written in short, diary like sections many sections will pass under the reader's eyes without leaving an impression, but, then there will be a sentence or a paragraph that will touch and potentially change the reader. We will start with this book.

The second book in this study is Anne Lamott's Almost Everything – Notes on Hope. In a style many of us are familiar with, Lamott tells stories and dishes up gems of wisdom to a world darkened by despair and uncertainty. Lamott's short chapters and glass-half-full point-of-view will nicely balance the weight of My Bright Abyss.

Whereas Lamott has faith and experiences grace, Wiman gains faith and feels grace; he embraces in the moment both joy and future hope. In Lamott's book you will read personal stories and her nuggets of hope and wisdom; in Wiman you will read narrative, poems and quotes all eventually focusing on faith and grace.

Interested in joining the Koinonia Class for this unique study? If yes, purchase the books wherever you purchase books or ebooks. The Koinonia Class meets from 8:50 to 9:50 AM Sunday mornings. If you have questions, talk to any Koinonia member or text or call Angie (Angelo) Giannitelli at 765-969-2405.