

Central Happenings

A congregational letter is on the back table for Paul Foster on the death of his Uncle Jerome, and for Adele Needham on the death of her sister, Cynthia.

Looking for a way to stay active, connect with others, and have fun? Indoor Pickleball is coming to Central! Starting in February, we'll meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Large Fellowship Hall (enter through the alley door). Bring your paddle if you have one—balls and nets will be provided. Please RSVP to Deb Hester (hesterdeb@comcast.net or 765-532-4320) or Joe Riley (rileyjoe@rocketmail.com or 765-427-0851).

The Deacons invite you to join them for a warm, delicious, and community-centered Souper Bowl Party on Sunday, February 9, at 11:00 a.m. in the Large Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite chili or soup to share or simply come to enjoy the feast and fellowship!

Per Capita connects us to the work of the larger church through by way of the Presbytery of Wabash Valley, the Synod of Lincoln Trails, and the Office of the General Assembly. This year, Per Capita is \$43 per Member. Members, please place your check in the offering basket or mail it to the church office with "Per Capita" in the memo line. Thank you!

Please use the Ritual of Friendship pads to let us know you're with us today. Whether you are in person or on-line, you can also sign in at centralpreschurch.org/friendship

In our effort to be inclusive of those who are unable to be with us in person, we live stream our worship services online. For those who are camera-shy, seating is available in the back two rows of the main floor or anywhere in the balcony.

Our greeters this morning are John and Liz Schneider.

Pastor: Wil Reinowski
Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak
Director of Contemporary Music: Paul Foster
Organist: Doug Fletcher
Custodian: Bob Hill

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Central Presbyterian Church

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Art of Hearing

February 2, 2025



Welcome

Prelude

"Meditation"

(Orff)

*Call to Worship

Kristie Sherman

Leader: From the very beginning, God calls us. God sets us apart with a meaning and a purpose.

People: We come up with excuses to avoid our calls, for we are afraid.

Leader: But God reassures us in many and various ways through the course of our days.

People: God is with us and sustains us.

*Hymn

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of life, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always lived lives of love. We have lost patience and been rude. We have been irritable and insisted on our own way. We have even let love end. Forgive us and heal us, dear God, through Jesus Christ, your love incarnate.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: God has loved us since the beginning, and God's love for us will never end. Do not fear, therefore, but have faith in God's steadfast love, God's healing power, and God's ability to make all things new.

People: Thanks be to God.

Ordination and Installation

JP Clauson

***Congregational Response** "Glory to God" (back cover Hymnal)

*Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Psalm 71:1-6

Anthem "Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us" (Bechtel/Rowan)

Second Reading Luke 4:21-30

Message "Hard of Hearing" Rev. Wil Reinowski

***Hymn** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" 451

Lord's Supper

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The prayer continues, ending with "sing to the glory of your name..."

Response "Holy, Holy, Holy" (back cover Hymnal)

The prayer continues with an invitation to the Lord's Prayer. Please join in the language God has it on your heart.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Lord's Supper

Prayer After Communion

** Please stand as you are able.*

***Hymn** "Though I May Speak" 693

Invitation to Offering

The offering basket is located at the back of the west aisle of the sanctuary. Feel free to leave your offering at any time.

Offertory "Take My Life" (Composer)

***Doxology** 606

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

O God, bless these gifts that we have given as expressions of our love for you and our neighbors, that they may bring closer to fulfillment your reign of peace and love; through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign. Amen.

***Hymn** "Help Us Accept Each Other" 754

*Benediction

Postlude "Happiness is the Lord" (Stanphill)



In Our Prayers

We pray for Paul Foster on the death of his uncle, Jerome, and for Adele Needham on the death of her sister, Cynthia. Our hearts are with all those impacted by the devastating fires in California including those who have lost their homes, family members and those who continue to battle the blazes. We pray for our Special Care Friends, Peggy Anderson and Bunny Boardman.

This Week at Central

SUNDAY – February 2

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary/Online)

3:00 p.m. Youth Group (Youth Room)

MONDAY – February 3

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts (Scout Room)

WEDNESDAY – February 5

9:30 a.m. Women of the Word - WOW (Fitch Parlor)

12:00 p.m. Charity Knitters (Discipleship)

THURSDAY – February 6

10:00 a.m. Library Team (Fitch Parlor)