

In Our Prayers ✨

We pray for Norma Doyle as she enters the Church Triumphant. We pray for the sister of Carol Davis for health reasons. We celebrate with C. A and Maythia Johnson on the birth of their 2nd great-grandson in two weeks and for Maythia's 90th birthday. We also pray for our Special Care friends, Loretta Evans and Bill Hatfield.

Central Happenings

SUNDAY – April 27

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

MONDAY – April 28

6:00 p.m. Scouts (Scout Room)

WEDNESDAY – April 30

10:00 a.m. Women of the Word (Fitch Parlor)

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

5:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY – May 1

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

SATURDAY – May 3

12:30 p.m. Terry West Memorial (Sanctuary)

Please sign the Congregational Letter found in the Gathering Space for the family of Norma Doyle.

Donut Pop-Up Fellowship After Worship. Pop-Up: An unexpected special event. The Fellowship Team invites you to stay after worship today (Sunday) and enjoy donuts and a beverage in the Gathering Space. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know and join in fellowship with your Central Family.

College students are invited to lunch as guests of the Church following worship today! Please meet Lynne and/or Terry Phillips in the Gathering Space to learn where the group will be dining. We look forward to sharing a meal and fellowship together.

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

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Central Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025



Welcome

Prelude

"Aria"

(J.S. Bach)

*Call to Worship

Pat Egan

Leader: Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space!

People: Celebrate God in all places under heaven! Give praise for God's mighty deeds! Give praise for God's resurrecting power!

Leader: Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets. Praise God with the harp and the cello! Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

People: Praise God with flutes and guitars! Praise God with cymbals and drums! Let everything with life and breath praise God!

*Hymn

"Thine is the Glory"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join with the weak to make us all strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Jesus comes into our locked places and shadowy hurts, resurrecting our spirits and breathing into us new life. As God's own forgiven people, go to bring peace, forgiveness, and new life to the world in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

***Passing of the Peace**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Revelation 1:4-8

Anthem "Now the Green Blade Rises" (arr. Foster)

Second Reading John 20:19-31

Message "Standing Among Us" Carrie Munson

***Hymn** "God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens" 24

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostles' Creed (page 35 Hymnal)

***Congregational Response** "Gloria Patri" (back cover Hymnal)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" (Alford/McFarland)

***Doxology** 606

***Prayer of Dedication (Unison):**

Holy One, bless our offerings and transform them into healing for the wounded, hope for the disheartened, courage for the frightened, and faith for the embittered. In the name of Jesus Christ, your faithful witness, the first resurrected, and ruler of the sovereigns of the earth. Amen.

***Hymn** "In the Bulb, there is a Flower" 250

***Benediction**

Postlude "Festive Postlude" (Paul Fey)



*** Please stand as you are able.**

We welcome Carrie Munson today as our worship leader. Carrie is a Commissioned Pastor serving the Geetingsville Presbyterian Church in Frankfort, IN with her husband Mike. Welcome back Carrie. 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.