CENTRAL Chimes
Central Presbyterian Church
PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS

Hello Friends,

Do you remember ever having to create a model volcano for one of your classes when you were a kid? Maybe you remember helping one of your children with a project like this? This would be the type of volcano project that erupts with baking soda and vinegar. Seth had to put together something like this for his Science class in Junior High the other day. Some of you may have made one of these out of paper mache or maybe clay? We found a spare lamp shade that was in the shape of a cone, covered it with foil, and then spray painted it brown (with red highlights to indicate lava). We placed within the opening at the top an empty plastic juice bottle to hold the baking soda and vinegar. Seth says it worked "like a charm," so everybody was satisfied. One thing Seth had to do was indicate the type of volcano he was presenting on. That kind of surprised me. I don't remember learning about different types of volcanoes in school. He said it could either be a Shield Volcano, a Composite Volcano, a Cinder Cone, or a Lava Dome, and what we were making had to at least loosely match the shape of one of those categories of volcanoes. Seth taught me something new, whether I really wanted to learn it or not!

I tell you this story to remind myself, as well as all of us within our Central Presbyterian Church family, that God calls us to be LIFE-LONG LEARNERS. Let us not grow weary in exploring more and more about God's World, God's Word, and the community in which God has placed us! Obviously, it is impossible to know everything, and you and I both know that a lot of what we think we know may not even be true. A healthy spirit of humility, combined with a strong desire to honor our Creator and Redeemer, would then lead us to commit to keep on learning as long as we possibly can.

Of course—I'm going to encourage you to learn more about Holy Scripture! (That's my job, you can't blame me 😳) What other text is more important??? If you don't have a Bible in a version that is easy to read, then you should get one. The New Living Translation is one that is easy to read, rendered in more of a contemporary tone. I suggest you find a Study Bible with good notes, cross references, and maybe even a little concordance in the back. All of this will help you (I have some extra Study Bibles in my own library you could borrow if you would like). Commentaries on Scripture are also beneficial. If you use the Kindle app for example, you can't go wrong with **"The Chronological Life of Christ" by Mark Moore**. We used this in college, and you can download it on your Kindle for $3.99! What a deal!! Here at the church, there are several commentaries on Scripture you could use including William Barclay's Daily Bible Study Series. He is such a beautiful writer, and his insights are equally beautiful. So, what's keeping you from starting today?

This Season of Lent, is God calling you to become a LIFE-LONG LEARNER of HOLY SCRIPTURE? Come on down and see me, and I will help you get started any way I can.

Thankful to be laboring with you,
Amen!

Ryan Edgecombe, Pastor
Edgeness79@hotmail.com

Time Change: March 8, 2026

Time Change Song

God of sleep, and God of slumber,
  Help us not be late, we ask:
Changing clocks one forward number,
  May we not forget this task.
Choir directors, preachers, teachers
  all will bless your holy name.

Administration Committee News

Financial

- January financials show income $1,603.26 above budget and expenses were below budget by $3.17. Regardless of budget, our income is $2,294.60 below expenses.
- The checkbook balance, including Obligated Funds, is $43,633.38. This balance does not include one additional $20K CD that is held at Edward Jones.
- The Annual Statistical Report for Presbytery was completed by Rhonda and Jane and has been submitted for approval to Session prior to submittal to Presbytery. We show an increase of one member during 2025 (Ethan Satorius!).
- $3,550.00 was distributed in 2025 from the Ebersolt Fund.
- MMF was discussed and because of generous support (and little use last year), we have an increase of nearly $12,400 with a final balance of $46,944.67. This does not include the dedicated roof fund that was established by the Sampson family.
- The Committee discussed the possibility of Boy Scouts being restarted at CPC and our church being their sponsor. Once additional information is received from the local Scout office, a motion will be made to Session.
- Rhonda reinvested a CD from the Youth Group for 5 months. It will mature in July and because the monies have not been utilized for many years, we will make a motion at that time on what to do with the monies.

Building and Ongoing Projects

- Presbytery Safety & Security Training has been moved to February 28, 2026, and will be attended by David Drake and Ryan Edgecombe.
- The annual elevator inspection date is March 20, and Steve Territo will be there.

Submitted by Steven Territo, Chairperson

Catechism Corner

Catechism Corner From κατηχέω, ("to teach orally")

I thought it might be useful for us to review and reflect a little each month from a catechism used by the PCUSA. Hopefully this will serve a purpose in helping us think deeper about our faith and even inspire us towards a greater pursuit of Christian Theology grounded in Holy Scripture. I pray you find this new section in the newsletter helpful. I enjoy talking theology so come by the church if you have questions or thoughts about these!

The Study Catechism: Full Version Approved by the 210th General Assembly (1998) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Question 128: What is meant by the second petition, "Your kingdom come"?

We are asking God to come and rule among us through faith, love and justice — and not through any one of them without the others. We pray for both the church and the world, that God will rule in our hearts through faith, in our personal relationships through love, and in our institutional affairs through justice. We ask especially that the gospel will not be withheld from us, but rightly preached and received. We pray that the church will be upheld and increase, particularly when in distress; and that all the world will more and more submit to God's reign, until that day when crying and pain are no more, and we live forever with God in perfect peace.

2 Thessalonians 3:1 *"Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified everywhere, just as it is among you."*

Romans 8:22-24 *"We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now, and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?'*

1 Corinthians 15:20, 28 *"Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in subjection under him, so that God may be all in all."*

Question 129: What is meant by the third petition, "Your will be done, on earth as in heaven"?

Of course, God's will is always done, and will surely come to pass, whether we desire it or not. But the phrase "on earth as in heaven" means that we ask for the grace to do God's will on earth in the way that it is done in heaven — gladly and from the heart. We thus ask that all opposition to God's will might be removed from the earth, and especially from our own hearts. We ask for the freedom to conform our desires and deeds more fully to God's, so that we might be completely delivered from our sin. We yield ourselves, in life and in death, to God's will.

Psalms 119:34-36 *"Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it. Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain."*

Luke 22:42 *"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet not my will but yours be done."*

Romans 12:2 *"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect."*

Question 130: What is meant by the fourth petition, "Give us today our daily bread"?

We ask God to provide for all our needs, for we know that God, who cares for us in every area of our life, has promised us temporal as well as spiritual blessings. God commands us to pray each day for all that we need and no more, so that we will learn to rely completely on God. We pray that we will use what we are given wisely, remembering especially the poor and the needy. Along with every living creature we look to God, the source of all generosity, to bless us and nourish us, according to the divine good pleasure.

Proverbs 30:8 *"Remove far from me falsehood and lying; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that I need."*

Psalms 55:22 *"Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved."*
Psalms 104:27-28 *"These all look to you to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things."*

Quotation Station for March

(Quotes on "Lent")

"Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy." --Pope Francis

"O Lord, make this Lenten season different from the other ones. Let me find you again." --Henri Nouwen

"Ash Wednesday is full of joy. The source of all sorrow is the illusion that of ourselves we are anything but dust." --Thomas Merton

"Fasting cleanses the soul, raises the mind, subjects one's flesh to the spirit, renders the heart contrite and humble." --St. Thomas Aquinas

"Do you wish your prayer to fly toward God? Make for it two wings: fasting and almsgiving." --St. Augustine of Hippo

"Let the mouth fast from foul words and unjust criticism. What good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes but bite and devour our brothers?" --St. John Chrysostom

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life." --Pope Benedict XVI

Monthly Riddles/Jokes

I come in like a lion and go out like a lamb. What am I?
Answer: The month of March!

What kind of bow cannot be tied?
Answer: A rainbow!

What has a pot of gold but no handle?
Answer: A leprechaun!

I can make a tree dance, but I have no legs. I can howl, but I have no voice. What am I?
Answer: Wind!

Praise for Service

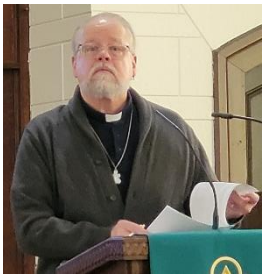
Annual Congregational Meeting

On Sunday, February 1, our Annual Congregational Meeting was held following worship for the purpose of reviewing the 2025 Annual Report. Rev. Charles Goodman was present as Moderator, along with Jane Stephenson, Clerk of Session. Thanks to all who participated in and were active in the year's activities and to those who attended the annual meeting. If you did not receive a copy of the Annual Report, you may obtain one from the church office.

Election & Installation of 2026 Officers

Following the Annual Congregational Meeting, Rev. Goodman moderated the election of officers for 2026. Nominating Committee Chair, Rodney Davis, presented the slate of officers.

Debbie Davis, Beth Kiningham, Marilyn Montgomery, and Susie Sanert were elected and installed as Deacons. Elected and installed as Ruling Elders for a 1-year term were Rodney Davis, David Drake, and Camilla Long. The 2026 Nominating Committee will be Chairperson Camilla Long, Marilyn Montgomery, and Rebecca Rowe.



Ash Wednesday Celebrated

Members of the congregations of Central and the United Methodist Churches joined together to celebrate the beginning of the Lent season on Ash Wednesday, February 18, at the Methodist Church. Pastor Ryan provided the message, followed by Pastor Ryan and Pastor Rick dispensing ashes as those assembled sang "I Surrender All." We are fortunate to have the opportunity to share in special services with our Christian neighbors.

Presbytery of Great Rivers Regional Cohorts Meeting

Let's get to know our Presbyterian neighbors! Presbytery of Great Rivers has created a number of Regional Cohort groups. "We want to share how God is working in our congregations. We want to encourage and learn from one another."

The regional cohorts are starting to schedule their first gatherings of 2026. Pastors and members are welcome! The Mid-Eastern Region (CPC is in this region) meeting will be **Sunday, March 8, at 2:00 p.m. at Central!** Snacks will be provided. The focus for the meeting: We want to get to know one another, so we can purposely pray for each of the congregations in the group.

Folks from Athens, Indian Point; Delavan, First; Greenview, United; Lincoln, First; Mason City, United; Middletown; Petersburg, Central; Tallula, Rock Creek; Virginia, First; and Virginia, Sangamon Valley make up the Mid-Eastern Region.

One Great Hour of Sharing

One Great Hour of Sharing (February 18 through April 5) is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable.

For over 70 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing—Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People—all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in

need. From the initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

The offering is collected through Easter Sunday. Special offering envelopes are available in the center of the church pews and on the table in the Narthex.

Community Lenten Studies

Men's Lenten Breakfasts

The Men's Lenten Breakfasts began on Ash Wednesday, February 18 and will continue up to April 1. Breakfast starts at 7:00 a.m., followed by a devotion reflecting the season of Lent at 7:30, and dismissal by 7:45. Central Presbyterian Church will be hosting the April 1 breakfast. The remaining schedule is as follows:

March 4	United Methodist Church, 221 W. Jackson St.
March 11	First Christian Church, 210 South 8th St.
March 18	St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church, 209 W. Douglas
March 25	Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 120 W. Monroe St.
April 1	**Central Presbyterian Church, 210 W. Douglas**

Women's Lenten Studies

Women's Lenten Studies began on February 25 with the last one also being on April 1. Refreshments start at 9:30 a.m., with a lesson starting at 10:00. Central Presbyterian Church will be hosting on March 11. Beth Kiningham is leading the planning committee, with assistance from Coleen Janssen, Jan Costello, and Debbie Davis. The remaining schedule is as follows:

March 4	St. Peter Catholic Church, 711 S. 6th St.
March 11	**Central Presbyterian Church, 210 W. Douglas**
March 18	First Baptist Church, 103 W. Sangamon Ave.
March 25	St. Paul's Evangelical Free Church, 209 W. Douglas
April 1	First Christian Church, 210 South 8th St.

Easter Sunday/Lilies

One of the highlights of our Easter Sunday service is seeing the beautiful Easter lilies donated in honor or in memory of our loved ones. If you would like to participate, please complete a form (**one for each Easter lily**), which you will find on the table in the Narthex, and return it with a check written to Central Presbyterian Church in the amount of **$23.50**, to the church office no later than **Wednesday, March 18.** If it is inconvenient for you to make it into the church, you will find a form at the end of this newsletter that you can complete and mail to the church along with your check. The form and money **MUST** be in the church office no later than **Wednesday, March 18.** After that date, we <u>are not able to</u> order more Easter lilies.

If you prefer to purchase your lily elsewhere, feel free to do so, but still return the form so that the names can be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin. If you purchase your own Easter lily, please deliver to the church no later than Saturday morning, **April 4, 2026**. Thank you.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday Breakfast

Palm Sunday is March 29. We will be celebrating this holiday with our Palm Sunday Breakfast before church from **9:30 to 10:15**. Please join us for delicious foods and fellowship on this very special day in our Christian faith. The menu consists of assorted egg casseroles, muffins, fresh fruit, juice, and coffee. Even if you don't wish to eat, please come and visit over a cup of coffee or juice. There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex once we are closer to the date. Freewill donations will be accepted and will be added to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering that ends on Easter Sunday. We hope you will plan to join us for this fellowship.

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

A combined Maundy Thursday communion service will be held at Central Presbyterian Church on **Thursday, April 2**, at **7:00 p.m**. This service of remembrance focuses on the night Jesus gave to his disciples the gift of The Lord's Supper (also called The Last Supper, Eucharist, and Communion) and begins the movement toward the cross of Good Friday. This is both a somber and a celebratory event: somber in respect of the sacrifice made by Christ, and celebratory in response to the gift received by all his disciples.

Good Friday Community Service

There will be a community-wide Good Friday Service at United Methodist Church on **April 3, at 7:00 p.m.** with Pastor Jack Piper from Faith Church as the main speaker. All are welcome.

Easter Sunday Worship Service

Resurrection Sunday Worship service with communion will be **Sunday, April 5**, at **10:30 a.m.**

Eat Right Food
Nutrition and Health Tips from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
Healthy Eating on the Run

You may eat out a lot – many Americans do. People are looking for fast, easy and good-tasting foods to fit a busy lifestyle. Whether it's carry-out, food court, office cafeteria or sit-down restaurant, there are smart choices everywhere. Here are 31 tips to help you eat healthy when ordering out.

1. Think ahead and plan where you will eat. Consider what meal options are available. Look for places with a wide range of menu items.
2. Take time to look over the menu and make careful selections. Some restaurant menus may have a special section for "healthier" choices.
3. Review and compare nutrition information if it's available. Menu terms that may indicate an item is healthier include: baked, braised, broiled, grilled, poached, roasted, and steamed.
4. Menu terms that usually mean a food is higher in saturated fat and calories include: batter-fried, pan-fried, buttered, creamed, crispy, breaded. Choose these foods only occasionally and in small portions.
5. Think about your food choices for the entire day. If you're planning a special restaurant meal in the evening, have a light breakfast and lunch.
6. Hold the bread or chips until your meal is served. Hunger may drive you to fill up on these foods before your meal arrives.

7. Limit the amount of alcohol you drink. No more than one drink for women and two for men. Alcohol tends to increase your appetite and provides calories without any nutrients.
8. Order the regular or child-size portion. Mega-sized servings are probably more than you need. For a lighter meal, order an appetizer in place of a main course.
9. Begin with soup or salad as a way to include more vegetables at mealtime. Follow up with a light main course.
10. Or choose a salad with grilled chicken or seafood as your main course.
11. It's OK to make special requests, just keep them simple. For example, ask for a baked potato or side salad in place of French fries; no mayonnaise or bacon on your sandwich; sauces served on the side.
12. Ask for sauces, dressings and toppings to be served "on the side." Then you control how much you eat
13. Split your order. Share an extra large sandwich or main course with a friend or take half home for another meal (some restaurants may not permit this or will charge for an extra plate).
14. Refrigerate carry-out or leftovers if the food won't be eaten right away. Toss foods kept at room temperature for more than two hours (one hour if warmer than 90 degrees).
15. All-you-can-eat specials, buffets and unlimited salad bars make it difficult to follow recommended serving sizes. Pass these up if you find it difficult to listen to your hunger cues.
16. If you do choose the buffet, fill up on salads and vegetables first. Use small plates, to encourage smaller portions, and limit your trips up to the buffet line.
17. At the salad bar, pile on the dark leafy greens, carrots, peppers and other fresh vegetables. Lighten up on mayonnaise-based salads and high-fat toppings. Enjoy fresh fruit as your dessert.
18. Load up your pizza with vegetable toppings. If you add meat, make it lean ham, Canadian bacon, chicken or shrimp.
19. Enjoy a variety of healthful foods from different cultures. Focus on dishes that emphasize vegetables and lean meats, seafood or beans.
20. Tempted by sweet, creamy desserts? Order a small portion or ask if it can be divided and shared with everyone at the table.
21. At the sandwich shop, choose lean beef, ham, turkey or chicken on whole grain bread. Ask for mustard, ketchup, salsa or low-fat spreads. And don't forget the veggies.
22. Boost the nutrition in all types of sandwiches by adding tomato, lettuce, peppers or other vegetables.
23. Look for a sandwich wrap in a soft tortilla. Fillings such as rice mixed with seafood, chicken, or grilled vegetables can be healthier options.
24. In place of fries or chips, choose a side salad, fruit or baked potato. Or share a regular order of fries with a friend.
25. Build a better breakfast sandwich: replace bacon or sausage with Canadian bacon or ham and order your sandwich on a whole grain English muffin or bagel.
26. Be size-wise about muffins, bagels, croissants and biscuits. A jumbo muffin has more than twice the calories of the regular size.
27. Try a smoothie made with 100% juice, fruit and low-fat yogurt for a light meal or snack.
28. For desk-top dining, keep single-serve packages of whole grain crackers, fruit, peanut butter, soup, or tuna around for a quick lunch.
29. Food items on your desk, like nuts or candy bowls, can lead to mindless eating. Keep all snacks and other food items in your desk to avoid the temptation to eat when you're not hungry.
30. Grabbing dinner at the supermarket deli? Select rotisserie chicken, salad-in-a-bag and freshly baked bread. Or try sliced lean roast beef, onion rolls, salad and fresh fruit.
31. Always eating on the go? Tuck portable, nonperishable foods in your purse, tote, briefcase or

backpack for an on-the-run meal. Some suggestions are peanut butter and crackers, granola bars, a piece of fresh fruit, trail mix, single serve packages of whole grain cereal.

**eatright.org March is Nutrition Month*

Chimes Deadline

Please have your articles and pictures for the **April 2026 *Chimes*** submitted to the church office **no later than Friday, March 20!** A ***Microsoft Word file*** attached to an email is the preferred method of submission. **Please reference "Chimes article" in the subject line.** Please email the church with any suggestions as to what you may want to see in the ***Chimes***. Our email address is office@central-pres.org

Keep Connected!

Pastor Ryan Edgecombe is in the church on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you wish to make an appointment to visit with him, please call the church office at 217-632-2651. You may also call or text his cell phone: 217-972-4859.

Members are encouraged to continue to stay connected with the church family. If you have an emergency or are in need of assistance from Central, please contact:

Church Office, 217-632-2651, Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.,
Friday 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; or leave a message anytime
Pastor Ryan Edgecombe, 217-972-4859
Marilyn Montgomery, Deacon Chair, 217-341-5361
Jane Stephenson, Clerk of Session, 217-341-7599

Another option for keeping connected is through the use of the **Central Presbyterian Prayer Chain** on Facebook. Group prayer is so powerful. The congregation is encouraged to reach out with any prayer request—nothing is too trivial! The posts are seen only by group members. If you are a Facebook user but not yet a group member, look us up and join today!

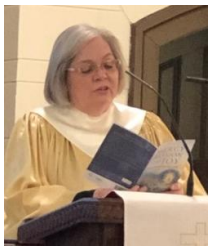
Menard Caring Food Pantry/Diaper Bank Needs

March is **"Meet the Need"** ***(Hamburger Helper, beef stew, canned meat, pork 'n beans)*** at the Food Pantry**.** Donations can be put in the basket in the Narthex.

For questions or information regarding the **Menard Caring Food Pantry**, please contact Lindsay Wilken, Food Pantry Coordinator at 217-717-2551, or Anne Smith, Menard Caring Treasurer at 217-303-8968.

Rather than purchasing items to donate, a monetary donation to the **Diaper Bank** is always accepted. Contact Lindsay Wilken for more information.

February Scenes from Central



Chicken Tortilla Soup

Woman's World Magazine, January 26, 2026, issue

Ingredients

1 lb. boneless skinless chicken thighs
1 (1 qt.) container of chicken broth
1 (14.5 oz.) can diced tomatoes
2 red and/or green peppers, chopped
2 tbs. chili powder
1 large onion, finely chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 tsp. ground cumin
1/4 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1/2 cup shredded white cheddar
1 avocado, peeled, seeded, diced
3/4 cup crushed tortilla chips
Lime wedges, sour cream and fresh cilantro leaves (optional)

Directions

1. In 7-quart slow cooker, combine chicken thighs, broth, tomatoes with juice, peppers, onion, chili powder, garlic, and cumin. Cover; cook on low until chicken is cooked through, 7-8 hours.
2. Remove chicken; shred and return to soup. Season with salt and pepper. Serve soup topped with cheese, avocado and tortilla chips. If desired, serve with lime wedges, dollop with sour cream and garnish with fresh cilantro.
3. Bake until filling in center is almost set, 30-35 minutes. Cool 1 hour in pan on a wire rack. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Cut into bars.

Total Time: 8 hours, 20 minutes Yield: 6 servings

Cake Mix Bars

Taste of Home

Ingredients

1 yellow cake mix (regular size)
1 large egg, room temperature
1/2 cup 2% milk
1/3 cup canola oil
1 cup white baking chips
1/3 cup rainbow sprinkles

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350^0. In a large bowl, combine cake mix, egg, milk ad oil (mixture will be thick). Stir in baking chips and sprinkles. Spread into a greased 15x10x1 inch baking pan.
2. Bake 18-20 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool completely in pan on a wire rack Cut into bars.

Total Time/Prep: 10 minutes—Bake Time: 20 minutes +Cooling—Yield: 2 Dozen Pieces

Happy Birthday!

Octogenarian

March 15 JoAnn Morris Countryside Est., 19080 Sunny Acres Rd., Apt. 210, Petersburg

March 1 Priscilla Reynolds
March 2 Kayla Gerdes
March 2 Ken Morris
March 6 Kristina Hutton
March 10 Seth Edgecombe
March 11 Phil Deverman
March 12 Gary Gerdes
March 17 Christopher Carter
March 22 Patrik Claussen
March 23 Liah Roberts
March 27 Austin Godbey
March 28 Amalie McLin

Happy Anniversary!

March 9 Ken & Jinnie Morris
March 26 Dee & Marion Ring

worship leader

	Usher/Greeter	*Liturgist*	*Communion Steward*
Sunday, March 1	Jan Costello	Marilyn Montgomery	David Drake
Sunday, March 8	Julia Territo	Camilla Long	
Sunday, March 15	Linda Williams	Ron Sanert	
Sunday, March 22	Dan Stephenson	Rodney Davis	
Sunday, March 29	Cheryl Drake	Pat Claussen	Marilyn Montgomery

If you cannot fulfill your duty as usher/greeter or liturgist, please find someone to take your place.

Also, let the church office know of the changes as soon as possible.

Worship Attendance

February 1	**40**	February 15	**33**
February 8	**21**	February 22	**42**

Average Worship Attendance: **34**

Members:

Will Carter
Rich Ford
Steve Hollis
Mary Mies
Alia Montgomery
JoAnn Morris
Sherri Roberts
Charles (Sandy) Sandberg
Susie Sanert
Jim Satorius
Judy Stahl
Linda Williams

Friends of the Congregation:

Jim Allen (P. & M. Montgomery's cousin)
Tim Bellinger (R. Plaeger's nephew)
Raeleigh Bess (P. & M. Montgomery's great niece)
Clarice Blout (B. Satorius' grandmother)
Dale Blout (B. Satorius' father)
Judy Boutelle (Rev. Boutelle's wife)
Larry & Peggy Brandon (Pastor Ryan's friends)
Danny Coffey (J. Goeringer's brother)
Jim Daugherty (former Boy Scout Leader)
Serge Davis
Terry Davis (Pastor Ryan's friend)
Barb Deihl (L. Williams' cousin)
Sandy Dierks
Pastor Ryan Edgecombe
Vicki Edgecombe (Pastor Ryan's mother)
Cheryl Esela (L. Claussen's sister)
Linda Ewing (D. & C. Long's friend)
Susan Gaither (L. Williams' friend)
Liam Grogan (D. & C. Long's nephew)
Tyler Gurski (B. & A. Studzinski's grandson)
Marlene Hartsook (R. Ford's sister)
Lucien Hill (grandson to friend of M. Montgomery)
Angie Hodgson (C. Drake's sister)
Kristina Hutton & boys (D. & C. Long's daughter)
Karen Kelso (C. Godbey's sister-in-law)
David "Anthony" Long (D. & C. Long's son)
Kathy Long (D. & C. Long's sister-in-law)
Katie Niccolls (J. Koch's granddaughter)
Janice Perry (daughter of a friend of Pastor Ryan)
Jay Rebman (L. Claussen's friend)
Steve & Kim Rebbe (C. Ford's friend)
Blair Rowe (R. Rowe's daughter)
Kathy Ruppel (M. Montgomery's friend)
Dawn Schafer (S. Schafer's daughter-in-law)
Harry Schirding
Co Shelton (J. Tice's friend)
Kay Siegrist (L. Williams' friend))
Jeff Smith (D. & C. Long's friend)
Janey Spangler (C. Long's family)
Nancy Swift (R. Pinkston's cousin)
John Territo (S. Territo's brother)
Gene Treseler
Carol White (J. Morris' friend)
Eric Wiant (D. & C. Long's friend)
Lauren Woodley (J. Satorius' friend J.D. Proehl's granddaughter)

Please pray for all we know who are homebound, residing in care facilities, undergoing surgery or medical treatment, serving in the military or who are away from their family and friends.

In Our Communities and In Our World:

Our Country and our World
Peace between nation neighbors
Victims of gun violence/mass shootings
Our youth so that they may find Christ!
Displaced people in the world
Victims of sexual assault
Racial equality
Homeless Veterans

Please keep the church office informed of members or friends that need to be placed on or removed from our prayer list. Send an email to: office@central-pres.org or call the church office at: 217-632-2651 with updates.

Easter Lilies Order Form

One of the highlights of our Easter Sunday service is seeing the beautiful Easter lilies donated in honor or in memory of our loved ones. If you would like to participate in this wonderful symbol of life everlasting, please complete the form below and return it, with a check written to Central Presbyterian Church in the amount of **$23.50**, to the church office by **Wednesday, March 18.**

If you want to purchase your lily elsewhere, please feel free to do so, but still return the form below so that we may include the names in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Thank you.

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH LILY, but you can write one check for multiples.

- Please print below the name(s) of the person(s) to be honored or remembered **EXACTLY AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR IN THE CHURCH BULLETIN.**

  Please HONOR _____

  OR

  REMEMBER (a deceased loved one) _____

- Please print below the name(s) of the person(s) donating the lily exactly as you wish it to appear in the church bulletin. If you donated in the past and want the same bulletin entry used, write "**SAME AS BEFORE**" on the line below.

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Please put an **X** by your choice below.

_____My check to Central Presbyterian Church is attached for $_____ ($23.50).

OR

_____*I will bring my own lily to the church on Saturday morning,* ***April 4, 2026****.*