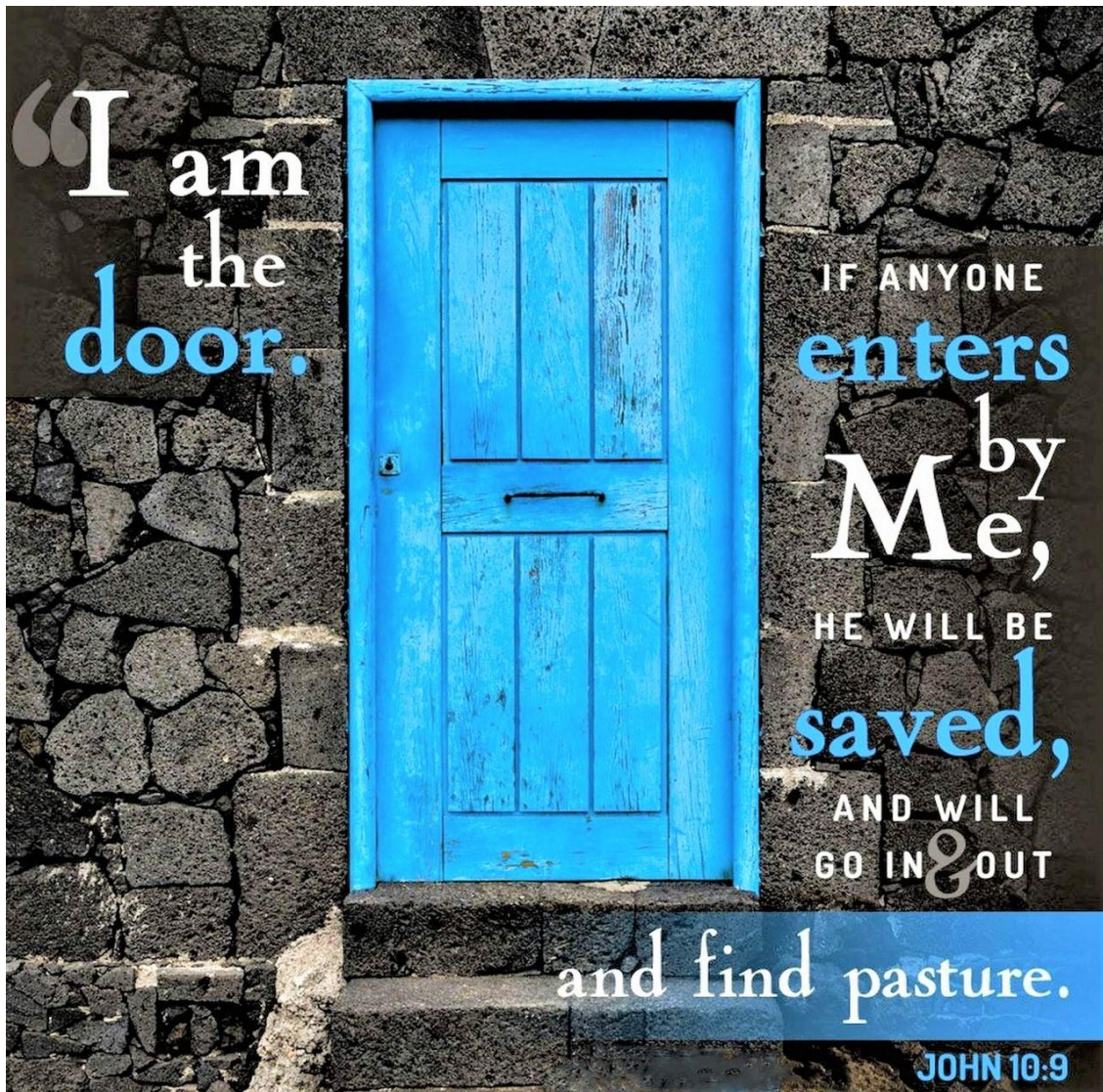


Central and Algonquin
United Methodist Churches

With Pastor Marty Johnston

Mission Statement:

Connecting all people to God by building bridges of caring, outreach, and acceptance.



Sunday, April 30, 2023

Central UMC's Worship Gathering

April 30, 2023 - 10:30am

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*Indicates please stand on your feet or in your heart.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE *"He Leadeth Me"* *arr. Ashford*

CHORAL INTROIT *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #139

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

RESPONSE The Good Shepherd comes that we may have life and have it abundantly.

One: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

All: **The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures,**

One: leads me beside still waters, restores my life,

All: **leads me in right paths for the sake of the Lord's name.**

One: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

All: **for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. R**

One: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies,

All: **you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.**

One: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

All: **and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord as long as I live. R**

*OPENING HYMN *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling* - UMH 348

transition to: *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus* UMH 349

*Pastor's Opening Prayer:

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Youth are invited to attend Young Christian's Worship at this time downstairs.

FIRST READING Acts 2:42-47

CHOIR ANTHEM *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* *arr. M. Wilberg*
John Wilkinson - clarinet

SECOND READING John 10:1-10

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

The Good Shepherd

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“A Faithful Shepherd”

MACKLIN

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

UMH 95
OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION²

*God of Abundant Life, we devote ourselves and these gifts to your vision of a community that meets the needs of any and all. We give our gifts of money and work, of prayer and praise, of presence and purpose to our friends and neighbors. Bless this offering, that it may meet the needs, both small and large, of your beloved world. Amen***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

UMH 381

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE *God Be With You til We Meet Again* #672

POSTLUDE

Jubilation”

Callender

Pastor: Pastor Marty Johnston
Organist: Pat Deatruck
Liturgist: Marcie Gleason
Family Ministry Coordinator: Jenny Shelley
Administrative Asst.: Abby Abrego

Video Camera: Derrick Washbish
Music Director: Cathy Wilkinson
Ushers/Greeters: Norb Bennin/Ron Morgan
James Arfstrom/Tom Robinson

*UMH – The United Methodist Hymnal

**TFWS – The Faith We Sing

Footnotes:

1. Taken from the UMH 754 Psalm 23

**2. Taken from the Abington Worship Annual 2023

Announcements – April 30, 2023

Algonquin United Birthdays

30th– Lillie Dost; 30th – Leo Shea

If you are interested in becoming a member of the church or receiving baptism, please contact Pastor Marty Johnston.

AUMC- April Change Jar: The money collected during the singing of the last hymn will be donated to the local EUP Special Olympics.



A NOTE FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: If you have responded to the second mile giving, but did not fill out a pledge card, please pick one up at either entrance to the sanctuary and complete it. We would like to have everyone's pledges to add to our totals and to make sure your contributions are recorded and reported properly. It can be placed in the offering plate or turned in at the church office. -CUMC



We would like to thank Sharon Jones and Barb Larson for compiling the information needed to update our monthly newsletter, The Flame. We would also like to thank Karen Sabatine and her daughter, Kathy Wright, for volunteering their time to assemble the newsletter pages and for prepping The Flame for postal delivery.

Adult Bible Study, Sunday mornings at 9:30am led by Ray and Diane Bell -ALL are welcome.

This week

Today SteelTown Brass Band Concert, directed by John Wilkinson, will be held at CUMC @3:00p.m, admission is by donation.

Wednesday Bell Choir Rehearsal @ 6:00 PM

Wednesday Choir Rehearsals @ 7:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Study 10:30 AM in the Central Methodist Church Library with Pastor Marty Johnston continuing with the book of Romans.

This Wednesday is the last day of Bible Study.

Save the Date

Monday, May 1st United Women in Faith will meet at 6:30 - AUMC

Sunday, May 7th Soup Luncheon after the 10:30 service -CUMC

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