

Steeple Notes

Central Church, Huntington, NY
Where Jesus Is Lord and All Are Loved!
April-May 2024

I hope you all had a wonderful celebration of the Lord Jesus Christ' resurrection! We had a great time cleaning Central to prepare the space for worship and welcome.

We started with a refreshing of our welcoming space as you enter from the parking lot. One of the most immediate changes you will see is a Welcoming Desk, complete with a new coffee service and a welcoming crew. The coffee is a nice self-serve Keurig machine, and I think you will be pleasantly pleased with the coffee choices.



As you enter, you will also notice refreshed bulletin boards. For Holy Week, this was our display:



By the way, the words at the top means "Christ is Risen!" It is one of the Church's oldest declarations, and all about Jesus' resurrection (this is where we get the name "Anastasia").

You can decide whether the space under the word "Joy" represents the tomb from which our new joy comes afresh. For what it's worth, one of the persons who decorated thinks that is the case.

We are also refreshing our Missionaries display. This board is still in progress, and it is almost finished. Especially in light of the events in Haiti, this board certainly has taken on a different meaning. Please continue to pray for our mission partners serving in places like Haiti.



Our Church's refreshment continues into the Social Media realm as well. In the coming days,

you will see a redesign of our website, and in addition, we have started a Central Instagram page: [centralchurchli](#).

Moreover, you will notice that on our main website, our worship link takes us to Central's Facebook page (instead of the that day's worship video). This simplifies our AV team's Sunday workload and makes it easier for all of us to focus on worshipping.



Finally, our Spring watch party for *The Chosen* WILL happen. The first two episodes have just been made available, so please stay tuned for how we will show them. My current plan is to see if we can get the entire season ready to watch together. But even if all we can do is to simply watch the first two episodes, we will get to it! And I'm not promising, but one of those evenings might involve food other than pizza (not that there is anything wrong with pizza!)

And of course, most importantly, I'm looking forward to a wonderful spring of worship and joyful fellowship at Central Church—and I hope to see you all in person. Our worship services have been growing, and that's been fantastic!

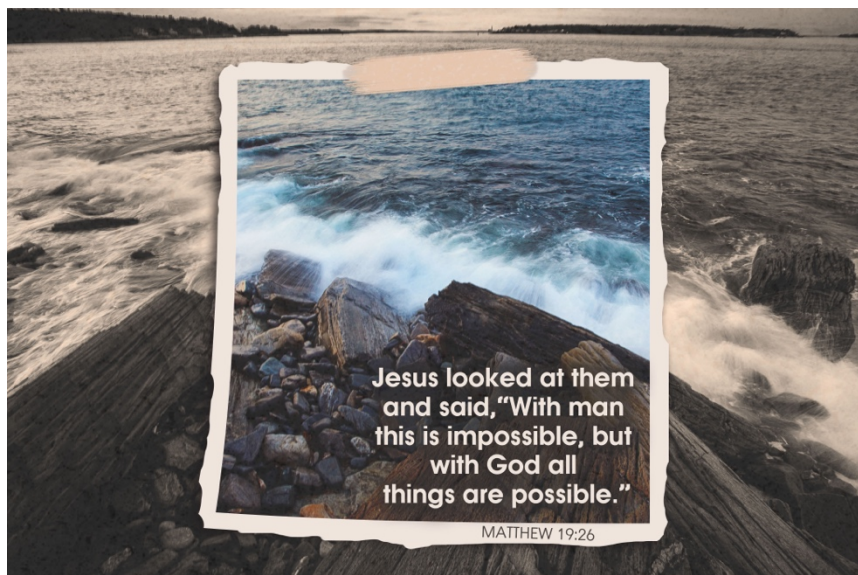
Let us keep praying for revival!

May the Lord bless you and keep you! Let us be kind to one another, as we joyfully celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Paul Lee'.

Pastor Paul Lee





April Birthdays

- 01 Min Yao
- 02 Amanda Poupis
- 04 Bill Hyer
- 07 Martha Grill
- 07 Brad Kramer
- 09 Kevin Fernandez
- 10 Janice Bradley
- 15 Linda Tengelsen
- 16 Terrish McCoy
- 17 Kennedy Chapman
- 17 Brianna Jones
- 22 Freeman McNeil
- 23 Derek Novinski
- 24 Ladaisha Jones
- 26 Eton Yoon
- 29 Micah Cummings

April Anniversaries

- 27 Bob & Martha Grill

May Birthdays

- 05 Jamie A. Clous
- 05 Thomas Swanson
- 06 Malia Bundt
- 08 Cole Fischer
- 14 Fred Brodbeck
- 14 George Bundt
- 17 Sean White
- 19 Gladys Paulsen
- 24 Annabelle Novinski
- 24 Vivian Ford
- 25 Carolyn Thuro
- 27 Anastasia Novinski
- 27 Deborah Whitfield
- 28 Kurt Roman

May Anniversaries

- 07 Jim & Leslie Sutherland
- 19 Ken & Sandy Chin
- 23 Phil & Janet Byler
- 30 Lori & Tommy McLaughlin
- 31 George & Fran Bundt



April at a Glance

Tuesday – April 2

10:00 am – Board Meeting

Tuesday – April 9

10:00 am – Circle Meeting. Please do Lesson #4 of *Discovering Your Identity*

Tuesday – April 9

11:00 am – Game Day. Enjoy games and fellowship! (Please bring your own lunch)

Looking Ahead to May

Tuesday – May 7

10:00 am – Board Meeting

Tuesday – May 9

10:00 am – Circle Meeting

Watch for more details in the Sunday bulletin.



Our prayers of comfort to the family of long-time Central member David Wilson, who departed this life on February 25th at Huntington Hospital. His homegoing service was held at Central Church on Wednesday, March 6th, at 11:00 a.m., with Pastor Paul Lee officiating.

David actively served at Central. He was a devoted Trustee and was a regular usher for Sunday worship. He always welcomed others with a warm smile and always dressed sharp.

David is survived by his loving and cherished wife Ethel; daughters Gloria Wilson, Mardella Edwards, and Cornelia Sands; stepson Danny Smith; sisters Jacqueline and Ednar; brother John Wesley Wilson; nine grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, and good friends. Please keep Ethel and the family in your prayers.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.



From the ELDERS Meeting Summary: March 26, 2024

Clerk: Meeting opened with prayer and devotions. Feb. 20th minutes were approved.

The session discussed the following:

- Clerk: March communion count was 74. Antoinette Steo reinstated for membership. Elders-on-call list was reviewed
- Moderator: Two confirmands for Easter. More students are interested in confirmation
- Among the Boards ~ Elder Sutherland (Deacons) reported development of a congregation care list. Deacons purchased Bibles to be presented to confirmands
- Elder Garofola (Trustees) shared that L.I. Violin will have a May recital at Central, and that the March 23rd Clean-Up Day was a great success. Trustees are considering changing the manse heating from oil to gas
- Among the Committees ~ Flourishing has been focused on Easter, a time to minister to non-churched people. There will soon be a new website domain, centalchurchli.com. Instagram is up and running, and committee is working on welcome handouts
- Missions: Working on previous actions
- Personnel: No issues to report
- Discipleship: Children's Ministry – Prep started for VBS and there are new volunteers; Youth – 2 confirmands and Bibles (thanks to Elder Sutherland); Sunday School – teachers needed for older students; Cradle Roll – for baptized babies
- Worship: Discussions started for Christmas; piano tuned; focus on Children's Sermon; print bulletins and see how they're used
- Stewardship: Update congregation on financials. Thank them for their faithfulness
- WCC: Planned the Good Friday luncheon
- SAAC: Continue monitoring troubling developments in our culture
- Special Events: No issues to report
- Publicity: Topics covered in previous talks
- Status of Legal Action, L.I. Presbytery: Nothing new to report
- Closing prayer. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23rd.

SUNRISE SERVICE



+++ Easter SUNDAY

He is Risen





April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Office Closed	2 WCC Board Meeting 10:00 am Moms in Prayer 4:30 Worship Team 7:30	3 Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Youth Group 7:30 pm	4 Staff Meeting 12 pm Kids Central 4:30 pm	5	6 NA Group 9:00 am
7 Morning Worship 10:00 am Adult CE Class 11:30 am NA Group 7:00 pm	8 Office Closed	9 WCC Circle 10 am WCC Game Day 11:00 am Moms in Prayer 4:30 Worship Committee 7:30 pm	10 Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Team 7 pm Deacons Meeting 7:00 pm Youth Group 7:30 pm	11 Staff Meeting 12 pm Kids Central 4:30 pm	12	13 NA Group 9:00 am
14 Morning Worship 10:00 am Adult CE Class 11:30 am NA Group 7:00 pm	15 Office Closed Trustees 7:30 pm	16 Moms in Prayer 4:30	17 Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Team 7 pm Youth Group 7:30 pm	18 Staff Meeting 12 pm Kids Central 4:30 pm	19	20 NA Group 9:00 am
21 Morning Worship 10:00 am Adult CE Class 11:30 am NA Group 7:00 pm	22 Office Closed	23 Moms in Prayer 4:30 Session Meeting 7:30 pm	24 Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Team 7 pm Youth Group 7:30 pm	25 Staff Meeting 12 pm (Kids Central resumes May 2nd)	26	27 NA Group 9:00 am
28 Morning Worship 10:00 am Adult CE Class 11:30 am NA Group 7:00 pm	29 Office Closed	30 Moms in Prayer 4:30				<i>Office Hours: Tues-Fri 8am to 1pm</i>



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Team 7 pm Youth Group 7:30 pm	2 Staff Meeting 12 pm Kids Central 4:30 pm	3 L.I. Youth for Christ Dinner 7:00 @ Melville Marriott	4 NA Group 9:00 am
5 Morning Worship 10:00 am Adult CE Class 11:30 am NA Group 7:00 pm	6 Office Closed	7 WCC Board Meeting 10 am Moms in Prayer 4:30 Deacons Mtg. 7:00	8 Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Team 7 pm Youth Group 7:30 pm	9 Staff Meeting 12 pm Kids Central 4:30 pm – last day for the semester (resumes in the fall)	10 Steeple Notes – articles deadline	11 NA Group 9:00 am
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