



**April 17, 2022**  
**Easter Sunday**

To view the live service, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/CentralWoodward> at 10:30 am.

**Central Woodward Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**

3955 West Big Beaver Road Troy, Michigan 48084

**\*\*Masks are required for in-person worship.\*\***

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**The Church Gathers**

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Paul

*Peggy Giroux has made a loving and generous donation of providing the beautiful Easter flowers for our special Easter worship. She asks that you feel free to take one home as a blessing for your Easter.*

\*Call to Worship

Carol Cooper

L: Alleluia Christ is risen!

**P: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

L: May Christ's grace and peace be with you.

**P: May Jesus fill our hearts with joy.**

\*Opening Hymn:

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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1 Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! All creation join to say, Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

2 Lives again our glorious king; Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!

Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia! Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

3 Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!

Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

\*Invocation Prayer

Carol Cooper

**Sharing in God's Word**

Anthem

The Chancel Choir

Scripture

Luke 24:1-12

Carol Cooper

Sermon

God Moves...Out of the Tomb

Pastor Paul

\*Invitation Hymn: Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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1 Christ is risen! Shout hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.

In the desert all-surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

2 Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.

Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.

Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend;

Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

3 Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.

Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.

Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"

God the first and last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Paul

### **Giving and Receiving Gifts**

Hymn of Preparation:

One Piece of Bread

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One piece of bread, blessing it he said: "Take and eat the portion broken for you. Come to the Lord, hunger nevermore." So our souls were fed, one piece of bread.

One cup of wine flowing from the vine, "Take and drink the portion shed for your sins, poured out like rain. Never thirst again, share this life of mine," one cup of wine.

One Father sent his only Son. One Spirit and the three are one. One body and he bids us, "Come, be my guest, be my guest."

One quiet room where our hearts commune, where our souls are fed, one piece of bread.

INTERLUDE

One Father sent his only Son. One spirit and the three are one. One table in the wilderness, "Be my guest, be my guest."

"Come and receive, all who will believe. Share this life of mine, one cup of wine. Let your souls be fed, one piece of bread."

Call to Stewardship

Elder

*Stewardship is an important part of Christian life; our financial offerings not only support the ministry of the church but serve as an expression of faith and trust in the God who provides. For in-person worship, please place your offerings in the baskets at the back of the church upon exiting. For those worshipping online, you may mail in your offerings or use our Givelify app, found on the website.*

Call to Communion and Words of Institution

Eugene James

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Distributing the Elements

Sharing of Bread and Cup:

*Jesus Christ invites all who are present, in person and online, to join with him at the communion table. For in-person worship, you may use your own elements or the pre-packaged elements of bread and juice. If worshiping online, we invite you to participate using elements from home.*

Prayer after Communion:

**Creating God, may the life of our Savior Jesus Christ, which we have received at this table, give us the energy and vitality that we need. Help us use this new life in all that we do and say, so that the new world of justice and joy will come. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn:

He Lives!

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1 I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever others say. I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer, and just the time I need him, he's always near.

[Refrain:]

He lives, (he lives), he lives (he lives), Christ Jesus lives today!

He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.

He lives (he lives), he lives (he lives), salvation to impart!

You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.

2 In all the world around me I see his loving care, and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that He is leading, through all the stormy blast; the day of His appearing will come at last. [Refrain]

3 Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King! The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind. [Refrain]

\*Benediction

Pastor Paul

Postlude

*Guest musicians: Kim Unrau*

*Maryann Mauri*

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### This Week at Central Woodward

For more calendar details, check  
centralwoodwardchristian.com/calendar

Sun April 17	8:30 am	Breakfast
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	10:30 am	Worship Service (In person and online) Youth Sunday School
	11:45 am	Adult Sunday School
Wed April 20	1:30 pm	Bible Study
Thur April 21	7:00 pm	Book Study
Sun April 24	10:30 am	Worship Service (In person and online)
	11:45 am	Adult Sunday School
Sun May 1	10:30 am	Worship Service Youth Sunday School
	11:45 am	Adult Sunday School

### Prayer Requests

#### **Health, Healing & Support:**

Nancy Fisher, David Heym,  
Ruth Mills, Fran Precup,  
Dick Zimmerman,  
CWCC's Pastoral Search Team,  
CWCC in this transitional time,  
Christian Church Michigan  
Region

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confidential prayer chain.***

*Contact Marge at  
margeham@att.net or 586-799-  
7360 for more information.*

### Sunday Worship Schedule

<p><b>Sunday, April 24</b> <i>Second Sunday of Easter</i> Scripture: Acts 5:27 – 32 Sermon: A Surprising Turnaround</p>	<p><b>Sunday, May 1</b> <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i> Scripture: Acts 9:1–20 Sermon: An Unlikely Friendship</p>
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