



**Central United Methodist Church**  
*A Reconciling Congregation*

Organized 1810—Incorporated 1822—Sanctuary completed 1867

Announcements: Sunday, March 2, 2025

**CENTRAL EVENTS / CALENDAR**



**TODAY:** Sunday, March 2nd, *Guest Pastor, Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis*  
Sunday, March 2nd, *1st Sunday Fellowship*, 2nd Floor,  
12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5th, *Ash Wednesday*, Potluck at 6:00 p.m.  
& Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 9th, *Daylight Savings Time Starts*

Sunday, March 9th, *Going Deeper, Sermon Discussion*, 11:45 a.m.  
(or 15 minutes after Worship Service has ended).

Sunday, March 9th, *Sanctuary Immigration Presentation*  
*with Rev. Dr. Jill Zundel at 2:00 p.m.*

***Women's History Month***

This year we will focus on a living woman composer, Elaine Hagenberg. Her song "I Am the Wind" won the coveted ACDA (American Choral Directors Association) Choral Competition in 2020.

She is celebrated as one of today's leading choral composers, with music that "soars with eloquence and ingenuity". Her music is profoundly influenced by her connection to nature, beauty, and spiritual reflection.

As music director, I'm excited that Central can support this young woman as she continues to create and compose.

Maggie Reese, Director of Music, CUMC

**UWF Reading Group**

Currently Reading: *Countering Christian Nationalism* - Special Issue of *Sojourners*,  
Sept/Oct 2024

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 13  
6-7:30pm



## ***NURTURING & CIRCLE OF CARE***

The following people are in assisted living, confined to their homes or institution,  
are ill, **or in need of special prayers:**

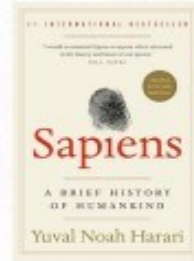
Leslie Allen	Faith Carpenter	Donald Crawford	Dia Pearce
Charles & Josefina Ford	Christina Graham	Gloria Hall-White	
Naomi Mason	Susan Wabeke		

# Faith Book Club

Currently Reading: *Sapiens: A  
Brief History of Humankind* by

Yuval Noah Harari

*Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 26  
Noon-2pm*



## *Community Lenten Services*

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH**

Ash Wednesday Service @ Central UMC  
6pm- Dinner  
7pm - Worship

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26TH**

Lenten Vespers @ Metropolitan UMC  
6pm- Dinner  
7pm - Worship

**THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH**

Maundy Thursday @ Cass Community UMC  
6pm- Dinner  
7pm - Worship

## ***MEMBERS***



### ***Greeters***

Nadine Feinberg  
Susan Francis

### ***Ushers***

Susan Francis  
Roland Amarteifio

*Central UMC*

## Youth Group

**MONTHLY ON 3RD SUNDAYS**

**4:00-5:30pm**

**March 16 - Board Game Night**

## ***March Birthdays***

1st Khari Brown	6th Gage Cartwright	19th Claudia Lee
2nd Hassan Kenote	13th Tre'Vair Jackson	23rd Daniel Spyker
6th David Zanke	17th Alexander Oatley	26th Cassandra Walker
		27th Naomi Mason

# Central UMC Campus Redevelopment Update

Central United Methodist Church, in partnership with Noah at Central and Full Circle Communities, is transforming our campus. The project includes:

Renovating the existing “church house” to create up to 40 units of Permanent Supportive Housing and updated spaces for church and legacy partner operations.

Constructing a new building over the parking lot with 75–85 units of affordable housing.

## Project Highlights:

**Capital Campaign:** Noah at Central has partnered with Capital Campaign Pro to guide a major fundraising effort. A feasibility study will be conducted over the next 3–4 months, including interviews with potential funders.

**Continuum of Care (CoC) Builds Grant Decision:** We expect to hear soon about the \$7.5 million grant submitted for the Permanent Supportive Housing project.

**Tax Credit Application:** Our Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) application is scheduled for submission to Michigan State Housing Department Authority (MSHDA) by April 1, 2025, pending the CoC grant outcome.

**Design Progress:** Our team, including Proxy, Full Circle, LBBA Architects, and O’Brien Construction, is finalizing plans for the housing portion of the project to meet the April 1 LIHTC deadline. Design on church and legacy partner (Michigan Welfare Rights Organization, Noah at Central, Swords into Plowshares Peace Center & Art Gallery, United Tenant Council of Councils, and Westside Mothers) space will begin after April 1.

Learn more by scanning the QR codes below for recordings of recent updates and housing teach-ins:

**October 2024 Redevelopment Update**



**October 2024 Permanent Supportive Housing Teach-In**



**November 2024 Affordable Housing Teach-In**

