



# THE CHIMES



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## Words from the Pastor...

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. — Lamentations 3:22-23

Good day to all! To all family, friends and the Centennial United Methodist Church members.

It is with great joy that I unite to the Centennial United Methodist Church family to serve and to do ministry together in the mission field that God has placed the church and now myself with you. I have received such a warm and friendly welcome from you and I thank you for that. I hope to run with the baton that Pastor Uziel passed on to me and to do it well just as he and the former pastors did.

As we proceed in our faith journey together during this Pentecost season may we continue to see the Spirit of God at work in our lives, in our homes, in our church and in the communities we will serve. May God continue to move freely among us and through us as we journey together into a new season. We must continue in hope, in faith and in love. That unconditional love that God has so generously poured out on us all! This is a new season in the life of Centennial UMC and in myself and together we will move as the Spirit of God leads us. May the God that loves and cares for all of His creation guide us, lead us and empower us to do His work here on earth as we labor together.

The pandemic changed a lot things for everyone, even in the church, but it also opened avenues to do more ministry in creative ways that maybe we would not have thought to do before. To name one of them is the ability to do church gatherings online. While it is important and necessary to gather in person it is exciting that this opportunity opened up the ability to have people join in worship from any part of the world despite whatever situation they may have that does not allow them to be at church physically. This is just one but there are many others.

So I believe there is a lot of good ministry to do in Rockford and I am so happy to be part of it with you. This verse found in Acts 20 where Paul speaks to the Ephesian elders is very encouraging to me and I want to share it with you. Verse 24: *"if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."*

While we will miss Pastor Uziel and all the good work he has done here at Centennial United Methodist Church we will honor his hard work by continuing to respond to the call that God has placed on us which is *to continue to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world* in the mission field where we are at.

Peace be with you!

Sincerely,

Pastor Audrey Rochet

# Palabras del Pastor...

El gran amor del Señor nunca se acaba, y su compasión jamás se agota. Cada mañana se renuevan sus bondades; ¡muy grande es su fidelidad! — Lamentaciones 3:22-23

¡Buen día a todos! A toda la familia, amigos y miembros de Centennial Iglesia Metodista Unida.

Es con gran alegría que me uno a la familia de Centennial Iglesia Metodista Unida para servir y ministrar juntos en el campo misionero que Dios ha puesto a la iglesia y ahora a mí misma con ustedes. He recibido una bienvenida tan cálida y amistosa de su parte y se lo agradezco. Espero correr con el batán que me paso el pastor Uziel y hacerlo bien como lo hicieron el y los pastores anteriores.

A medida que avanzamos juntos en nuestra jornada de fe durante esta temporada de Pentecostés, que podamos continuar viendo el Espíritu de Dios obrando en nuestras vidas, en nuestros hogares, en nuestra iglesia y en las comunidades a las que servimos. Que Dios continúe moviéndose libremente entre nosotros y a través de nosotros mientras entramos juntos a una nueva temporada. Debemos continuar en la esperanza, en la fe y en el amor. ¡Ese amor incondicional que Dios ha derramado tan generosamente sobre todos nosotros! Esta es una nueva temporada en la vida de Centennial IMU y en mí y juntos nos moveremos a medida que el Espíritu de Dios nos guíe. Que el Dios que ama y cuida a toda Su creación nos guíe, nos conduzca y nos capacite para hacer Su obra aquí en la tierra mientras trabajamos juntos.

La pandemia cambió muchas cosas para todos, incluso en la iglesia, pero también abrió caminos para hacer más ministerio de maneras creativas que tal vez no hubiéramos pensado hacer antes. Para nombrar uno de ellos es la capacidad de hacer reuniones de la iglesia en línea. Si bien es importante y necesario reunirse en persona, es emocionante que esta oportunidad haya abierto la posibilidad de que personas de cualquier parte del mundo se unan a la adoración a pesar de la situación que puedan tener que no les permita estar físicamente en la iglesia. Este es solo uno pero hay muchos otros.

Así que creo que hay mucho buen ministerio que hacer en Rockford y estoy muy feliz de ser parte de eso con ustedes. Este versículo que se encuentra en Hechos 20 donde Pablo habla a los ancianos de Éfeso es muy alentador para mí y quiero compartirlo con ustedes. Versículo 24: *“si tan sólo pudiera terminar la carrera y el ministerio que recibí del Señor Jesús, para dar testimonio del evangelio de la gracia de Dios”*.

Si bien extrañaremos al pastor Uziel y todo el buen trabajo que ha hecho aquí en Centennial IMU, honraremos su arduo trabajo al continuar respondiendo al llamado que Dios nos ha hecho, que es continuar *haciendo discípulos de Jesucristo para la transformación del mundo* en el campo misionero en el que nos encontramos.

La pas de Dios sea con ustedes!

Sinceramente,

Pastora

Audrey Rochet

## Summer Changes - Time of Transition

The summer of 2022 has brought some exciting changes. A new pastor and journey in faith. The Chimes will be a bit condensed this issue, timing has shortened our time for preparation. The "Sermons and Scriptures" section will return in the August-September as well as expanded news of Church activities. Stay tuned for more!

## Cambios de Verano - Tiempo de Transición

El verano de 2022 ha traído algunos cambios interesantes. Un nuevo pastor y camino en la fe. La revista Chimes será un poco condensada esta vez, el tiempo ha acortado nuestro tiempo de preparación.

La sección "Sermones y Escrituras" también regresará en agosto-septiembre como noticias ampliadas de las actividades de la Iglesia. ¡Mantente sintonizado para más!

## Faith Formation/Formación de la Fe

Join Zoom Meeting/Reunion en ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85013095515>

On ZOOM Wednesdays, 12:00 noon – Bible Study with Pastor Judith (English)

Miércoles, 6pm – Estudio Bíblico en español con le Rvda. Audrey Rochet en persona



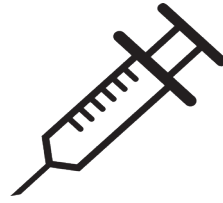
# Mission and Outreach

Thank you to the members of both Mission and Nurture for participating in our “Get to Know Me” feature in the Sunday bulletins the past few months. It was an attempt to connect with our members that we have not seen in a while. If you know of someone that we did not reach that you would like to hear from, please let us know. We hope you enjoyed hearing from our absent friends.

Henrietta Day, Ellen Dean, Mae Foster, Art Huenkemeier, Pat Nelson and Carol Waxler were among the members featured.



We have once again been blessed by Christ UMC. They will be providing backpacks and school supplies for the kids in programs at Centennial. Each child’s name, grade, school, and the color backpack they would like to have, is submitted to our contact at Christ. She then connects each child with a shopper who purchases the exact list that is required by the child’s school and grade. The families will pick up the backpacks in August. They have done this for us for over 20 years. We are truly blessed.



## Safely Gathering at Centennial Multicultural Church

The Illinois Mask Mandate for indoor public spaces expires February 28th  
However we are keeping the masking protocol at the Church in place  
for the time being. Information regarding changes will be communicated  
at that time.

We will be requiring masks as much as possible. So, please bring your masks.

- We will seat with social distance – Our fellowship area east of the sanctuary will be open to seat more persons.
- We will be streaming our worship service on Facebook and ZOOM for those who are unable to attend.
- We have additional ventilation systems in our building
- We will continue our efforts to recommend everyone to get vaccinated knowing that we still have a way to go before the pandemic fully ends. So, if you haven't been vaccinated, please consider doing so. We will continue to pray for our nation and our world for healing and restoration.

El mandato de máscara de Illinois para espacios públicos interiores venció el 28 de febrero  
Sin embargo, mantendremos el protocolo de enmascaramiento en la Iglesia  
por el momento. Si hay alguna información de cambio se les comunicará a su tiempo.  
Muchas gracias!

Se nos exigirá usar mascarillas (cubre bocas) en nuestros servicios lo mas que se pueda. Así que, por favor, traiga sus mascarillas (cubre bocas).

- Nos sentaremos con distancia social – nuestra área de comunión al este del santuario estará abierta para sentar a más personas.
- Estaremos transmitiendo nuestro servicio de adoración en Facebook y ZOOM para aquellos que no puedan asistir.
- Tendremos un sistema de ventilación adicional en nuestro edificio abriremos nuestras ventanas y puertas con ventiladores.
- Continuaremos nuestros esfuerzos para recomendar a todos que se vacunen sabiendo que todavía tenemos caminos por recorrer antes de que la pandemia termine por completo. Por lo tanto, si no ha sido vacunado, por favor hágalo. Continuaremos orando por nuestra nación y nuestro mundo para la curación y la restauración.

# birthdays

7/3	Curtis Kellermann	8/2	Jacqueline Berndt
7/5	Rosa Mendoza	8/5	Keith Kelsey-Powell
7/5	Oscar Torres	8/9	Sheila Grady
7/5	Chelsea Vails	8/11	David Brown
7/6	Cheri Johnson	8/12	Autumn Lilly Brown
7/7	Misael Rodriguez	8/13	Fredy Mejia
7/9	Silvia Duran	8/14	James Dean
7/13	Bettye Mixon	8/15	Jonathon Berndt
7/15	Yuna Stone	8/17	Carmen Garza
7/16	Alexander Mankarious	8/17	Pam Sanders
7/17	Reynaldo Barrera	8/20	Brian Jaworowski
7/17	Art Huenkemeier	8/21	Jennifer Risenhoover Berry
7/18	David Holland	8/22	David Russ
7/19	Joey Brown	8/23	Terrica Roberts
7/19	Mary Jane Kellermann	8/27	Vincenzo Brown
7/23	Andrea Martinez Cabrera	8/28	Linda Gentry
7/24	Mina Ruth Gray	8/31	Teresa Clinkenbeard
7/29	Janice Rungren	8/31	Idan John



Our prayers and thoughts for our home bound members. We love you and miss you very much.

## At Wesley Willows:

Mae Foster  
Art Huenkemeier  
Lee Magnuson

## At Home:

Micaela Serrano  
Aida Bejesus  
Jerald & Sheila Grady  
Ellen Dean  
Carol Waxler

## Undergoing Treatment/Rehab:

Ken Dahlgren  
John Paul (Margie's son)  
Jonathan Garcia (Myriam Luna's son)  
Rev. Bettye Mixon  
Tara Arencibia  
Ismael Arencibia  
Rosa Mendoza  
Rueben Mendoza  
Carol Waxler  
David Russ  
Wayne Russ  
Forrest Nelson

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## JULY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29 EBS 12:00 noon VIA ZOOM SBS 6:00 PM at church	30	1	2 SKC 10:30 am -12:30 pm
3 Holy Communion 10:00 am Service in English 11:30 am Service in Spanish	4	5	6 EBS 12:00 noon VIA ZOOM SBS 6:00 PM at church	7	8	9 SKC 10:30 am -12:30 pm
10 10:00 am Service in English 11:30 am Service in Spanish	11	12	13 EBS 12:00 noon VIA ZOOM UMW 1:00 pm SBS 6:00 PM at church	14	15	16 SKC 10:30 am -12:30 pm
17 10:00 am Service in English 11:30 am Service in Spanish	18	19	20 EBS 12:00 noon VIA ZOOM SBS 6:00 PM at church	21	22	23 SKC 10:30 am -12:30 pm
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**CALENDAR ABBREVIATIONS**  
**EBS-BIBLE STUDY IN ENGLISH, SKC-SATURDAY KID'S CLUB, SBS-BIBLE STUDY IN SPANISH**

## AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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**Join us for Sunday Services**  
**English 10:00 am**  
**Spanish 11:30 am**  
**Also streaming on**  
**Facebook and Zoom**



**Centennial UMC is a multicultural congregation strongly committed to being open, accepting, welcoming and loving to all, making a difference in our community through our Christian outreach.**



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