



CHIMES

Central United Methodist Church

Connecting with God,

Connecting with Others,

Changing our World with Christ's Love

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Born to Eternal Life

Hon. Richard D. Kuhn

10/8/1929 - 10/6/2016

Member of Central since:

October 28, 1956

Our Deepest Sympathies

Our deepest sympathies to the Kuhn family on their loss.

Born to Eternal Life

Nancy Getz

3/29/1940 - 9/9/2016

Member of Central since:

March 22, 1953

Unfortunately the Church was not informed of Nancy's passing last month.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Emergencies do occur from time to time and it is often necessary to contact family or caregivers. We are preparing a file of emergency information to be kept in the church office.

If you are willing to provide such information, a form is available.

This is completely voluntary!

MEET KEN FERGUSON

Ken Ferguson has been leading worship for over 15 years, has written numerous praise songs and is an exuberant follower of Jesus Christ. He is also our new Worship Leader for our new service beginning in November, "The Conversation".

I want to share just a brief story of how Ken came to be our new Worship Leader for "The Conversation". In August you may remember having Charlie and Heidi Van Becelaere, otherwise known as "The Moving Vans", lead us in worship. Briefly after that Sunday, Charlie sent me an email saying that Ken Ferguson had just released a new CD of praise music – his fourth CD. After a long time of looking for a new Worship Leader (since early spring), I reached out to Ken to see if he may know of someone in his network who may be interested in our Worship Leader position. He responded, "Yeah – me." A week or so later, Ken was hired.

To be completely transparent, I would want our community of faith to know that I have known Ken for over thirty years. He was a Middle School pre-teen when I was the Youth Pastor at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church. I haven't seen Ken in over 20 years. It has been a pleasure to reconnect with Ken who had begun rehearsals with our Conversations praise band and is preparing us to launch that new service in December (with a "soft launch" in November).

Ken brings wonderful gifts to our church. In addition to his musical ability, he has great organizational skills in putting together a praise team and a long history in contemporary worship. I know you'll want to join me in welcoming Ken to our church and to our staff!

FAITH GROWTH PATHWAY
Missed the informational meetings? Want to learn more and discover how the Faith Growth Pathway may guide you on your faith journey? Contact Rev. Kathy to learn more.



BLESSING OF HOMES

Have you recently moved? Have you been in your home for a short time or long time? Rev. Kathy will be offering a "Blessing of Your Home" in October and November. If you would like a special blessing and prayer for your family (aka – whoever lives in your house) and home, please contact Rev. Kathy for more information.

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Do you like to rock infants, play on the floor with toddlers & preschoolers? Do you want to make a lasting impact on the faith of young children? Young children need caring, loving adults to model God's love to them. If this is a ministry you would like to be a part of, adults are needed to care for the physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being of the youngest children. Adults are also needed to lead the 4 year olds – elementary students during Kids GROW (helping kids connect with God, building Relationships with Others and the World) during the 9:55am and 11:10am (starting on 11/13) worship services. Contact Rev. Kathy to be part of the team! Thanks!

MOM'S CONNECT

Looking for a place to connect with other Moms? Looking for a place to find encouragement? Come gather with a group of Moms for encouragement, support, Bible study, and service projects. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month (generally) from 9:00am – 10:30am (gathering time with coffee/treats from 9:00-9:15am and we will start at 9:15am). Childcare is provided. Contact Rev. Kathy for more information.



CHIMES
Deadline

The Chimes deadline is

October 27 for the
November 6, 2016 Chimes.

November Birthdays

Best Wishes to the following members
Celebrating a Birthday of
80 years or more.

Mary Wilhoyte - November 3
Marilyn Bruce - November 15
Doris Quick - November 17
Judy Bradbury - November 18
Frieda Hayes - November 23
Eleanor Snyder - November 23

Worship Notes

OCTOBER 23, 2016

Two Services

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship
9:55 a.m. - Traditional Worship
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
"Covenant Community –
A Winning Team"

Led by: Pastor Jack Mannschreck
Music: Chancel Choir
Carol and New Joy Choirs

OCTOBER 30, 2016

Two Services

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship
9:55 a.m. - Traditional Worship
Romans 12:14-21
"Choose Wisely – But Choose!"

Led by: Pastor Jack Manschreck
Chancel Choir
Agape Ringers

NOVEMBER 6, 2016

Two Services

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship
9:55 a.m. - Traditional Worship
Rose Memorial/All Saints Day
Led by: Pastor Jack Manschreck
Chancel Choir
Jubilate Dancers

EASY EXERCISE AND CHAIR YOGA

Mondays at 10:30 a.m. in the kitchen
half of Fellowship Hall, the Older
Adult Ministries are sponsoring an easy
exercise and chair yoga class. See you
there!



FISH PANTRY

The Fish Pantry helps out those in
our community that are in need of
food. Right now we are experiencing
a high demand for food assistance.
This is a list of the items that we are
in need of at the moment:
tuna, spaghetti and sauce, canned
soup (not cream), cereal, macaroni
and cheese, green beans, canned
pasta meals and baked beans (regular
size). Thank you for your generous
support of this ministry!

CENTRAL CINEMA

Central Cinema is on November
5, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor.
Join us for the movie "Man of
the Year". This political comedy
capitalizes on several bizarre trends
in contemporary American politics.
Released in 2006, has anything
changed? Let's have some fun during
this tense political season!
We look forward to seeing you there!

BALDWIN CENTER

THANKSGIVING INGATHERING
Sunday, November 13th we will
receive an in-gathering for the The
Baldwin Center Thanksgiving food
baskets. The following items have
been requested:

Instant Potatoes, Canned Soup,
Peanut Butter and Jelly, Boxed
Stuffing, Olives/Pickles, Macaroni
and Cheese, Soups (all kinds), Cereal/
Oatmeal, Canned Gravy, Cranberry
Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Canned
Fruit, Canned Salmon, Chicken,
Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta, Toilet
Paper and Paper Towel.

Please bring your donations on
Sunday, November 13th and then
bring them to the front of the
sanctuary during the service. Thank
you so much for your support of the
Baldwin Mission.

COMING IN DECEMBER!

Creches, Coffee and Carols, on
Monday, December 5. Stay tuned for
more information.

HARVESTERS

The Harvesters group meets on the
first and third Thursdays at Noon in
the Parlor or for an outing. For more
information please call Alice Alt.

Central Café Schedule

4:15 -- 5:15 Alleluia Dancers
5:15 -- 6:30 Dinner served
5:15 -- 5:45 Good News Ringers
5:45 -- 6:25 YTBN Bell Ringers
6:25 -- 7:30 Agape Ringers
6:30 -- 7:30 Carol Choir and
New Joy Choir
6:30 -- 7:30 Jubilate Dancers
7:30 -- 9:00 Chancel Choir

FOOD COLLECTION BY THE OLDER ADULT MINSTRIES

Join the Older Adult Ministries in
helping to keep the Fish food pantry
stocked. Here are the dates and the
items to be collected:

- * Oct. 9 - Oct. 23 - Canned Tuna
and Chicken (Large or Small Cans)
- * Oct. 24 - Nov. 13 - (InGathering)
- * Nov. 13 - Nov. 30 - Mac and Cheese
- * Dec. 4 - Dec. 18 - Cereal

Any contributions are welcomed. The
items listed are in great demand. Let's
be sure the closet is well stocked with
these items.

Visit our website:

www.waterfordcumc.org

Contact us: 248-681-0040 or
info@waterfordcumc.org



American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE - SAVE THE DATE!

We are again having our post-
Thanksgiving blood drive on Friday,
November 25th from Noon to 6:00
p.m. Please save the date!
There are three ways to help our next
blood drive: donate blood, donate
food for the Red Cross workers, or
volunteer to be a host/hostess. Please
sign up in the hallway. Thank you!

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Dear Friends,

On Sunday, October 23, I will begin a series of messages related to our Stewardship Campaign to support our ministry in 2017. This is an exciting time as we are preparing for what I've called the "Holiday Season."

The end of this month is Halloween. Three and a half weeks later we will gather with friends and family for Thanksgiving. A little over four weeks after Thanksgiving, we will celebrate Christmas and of course, we usher in the New Year one week later.

Lest my mention of the Holiday Season make you groan in anticipation of how busy you will be with cleaning and decorating, shopping and travel plans, let me offer you an approach to both our Stewardship Campaign as well as the holidays themselves.

The theme of our Stewardship Campaign this year is "A Still More Excellent Way!" As we move forwards with our efforts to meet the needs of our church family as well as those new to our fellowship, we need to focus on supporting a growing ministry.

The twelfth Chapter of I Corinthians is about individual spiritual gifts and the fact that we are the living body of Christ in the world. We must all utilize the gifts God

has given to us for the body of Christ to be complete and fully functional. This chapter concludes with the words that provide this year's Stewardship Theme: "But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way." (I Cor. 12:31)

The question that I would want us to consider is how do we strive for that "more excellent way?" Let me offer the up-coming Holiday Season as a guide for approaching our Stewardship Campaign this year.

First, Halloween reminds us that we should not let fear guide our thoughts and actions. What fears do you need to lay aside or confront in order to joyfully give toward the ministry of Jesus Christ? What keeps you from giving to our living body of Christ in the world today? Pray that God gives to you a spirit of courage and generosity. My favorite scripture for courage is John 16:33; the gifts of this verse are peace and courage.

Second, Thanksgiving gives to us a spirit of thankfulness as the primary reason for giving toward any ministry. Give to the work of God in the world is not about budgets and programs; it's about our relationships with God and others. Our generosity is meant to reflect all that we have received from God and is in response to the many blessings

God has bestowed upon us. It's about demonstrating our thankfulness.

Third, Advent and Christmas help us live in anticipation and celebration of Christ in our lives. Jesus the Christ is the focus of our lives as we anticipate God's blessing of the Christ Child and the realization of what Jesus' life, teachings, miracles, death and resurrection means to us.

What you decide to give toward next year's ministry at Central Church involves overcoming our fear, giving thanks for blessings and living fully for Christ's greatest purpose in the world today. November 13, which is our annual Founder's Day, and will also be Consecration Sunday. Members and friends will be asked to come forward and offer their Estimates of Giving as an act of worship. I envision a wonderful celebration of people who have long supported our church along with an act of worship that will secure the future of our ministry.

Thank you in advance for your generous support of our ministry – past, present and future! I will see you in worship.

Because of Christ,

Pastor Jack