

# CHIMES

Central United Methodist Church

Connecting with God,

Connecting with Others,

Changing our World with Christ's Love

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## CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Many thanks to all who generously gave to the Camp Scholarship fund in the amount of \$850! Central UMC provides scholarships for children, youth, and adults to go to camp, which can be life-giving and life-changing! If you would like to contribute to the Camp Scholarship fund, donations may be made anytime. Write "Camp Scholarships" in the memo line of your check or on an envelope. Want to learn more about camp? Planning to go? Visit the table near the chapel or contact the church office for more information.

**FLINT**  
Water Relief



## LENTEN MISSION PROJECT- FLINT WATER RELIEF

Wow! All those quarters (and dollars and checks) added up to a total of \$2,013.19! Thank you for sharing generously as we work together to change our world with Christ's love. If you are on Facebook and want to see updates about how the UMC is making a positive impact in Flint, search: "Flint Water Crisis: United Methodist Response".

## BUNNY HOP DANCE THANK YOU!

The Bunny Hop Dance was a great success! Many people from the community came to dance, play, get their picture taken, pet some adorable bunnies and chicks, and just have fun! Deep appreciation to the 30+ people from our congregation who prepared, served at, and cleaned-up from the event. We don't have an exact number, but we estimate around 85 people came!!



## LITTLE SPROUTS CELEBRATION

On Sunday, May 21 we will be celebrating Little Sprouts Preschool and the ministry of Pam & Andy Gustafson, Tammy Hager, and Lynn Humphrey during the 9:55 a.m. service. One of the special ways we want to celebrate is by including a slide show with pictures from Little Sprouts (and Central Day Nursery) and pictures of students when they attended the preschool and a current photo. If you/your child/grandchild attended Little Sprouts and you would like to send a picture, please drop it off in the church office or email it to [littlestoutpictures@gmail.com](mailto:littlestoutpictures@gmail.com) by May 12. We will have a reception following the service to honor and celebrate the ministry of Pam & Andy (for their retirement), Tammy and Lynn.



## Spring Clean-up

## CHURCH WORK DAY

The annual church work day will be held on Saturday, May 13 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The sign up sheet is located outside the church office. Bring your gloves & yard tools!! Please contact Bob McCracken for more information or if you have questions.

## CONFIRMATION

On Sunday, May 14 during the 9:55 a.m. service, our 8th graders who have participated in Confirmation over the past 7 months will share their faith with the church and be confirmed as full members of Central United Methodist Church. Our students are: Daniel Tryon-Burby, Emily Cornish, John Pierre, and Trinity Sullivan. They have all worked hard and been committed to the program. We are very proud of them and the growth they have shown in their faith and are excited to stand with them as they are confirmed. We also celebrate their parents and mentors who have walked with them (and driven them) through this confirmation journey. Please congratulate their hard work and dedication and take a moment to ask them how their confirmation experience has shaped their faith journey.



## YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Check out these fun and exciting events planned for Youth Group over the next few months!

- 5/20 Taking it to Your Streets Mission Project, 8:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

- 6/4 Study Night/Study Break at CUMC, 5:45 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

- 6/11 Beach Party at Pontiac Lake Beach, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

All youth are welcome and we'd love for you to invite and bring your friends!

If you have questions, please contact Mark Strobel at [goblumws@att.net](mailto:goblumws@att.net).

## TAKING IT TO YOUR STREETS

On Saturday, May 20 we have an opportunity to make a difference in the city of Flint. The Tween Group and Youth Group will all be planting strawberries at Asbury UMC in Flint. The event runs from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. There are many other opportunities as well if you would like to participate at a different project. For more information visit: [www.takingittoyourstreets.org](http://www.takingittoyourstreets.org) or contact Mark Strobel or Rev. Kathy.

Worship Notes

MAY 7

COMMUNION SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship

9:55 a.m. - Sanctuary Worship

11:10 a.m. - The Conversation

Led by Pastor Jack Mannschreck  
"That Inner Voice"

Worship Arts: Chancel Choir

MAY 14

MOTHER'S DAY &  
CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship

9:55 a.m. - Sanctuary Worship

11:10 a.m. - The Conversation

Led by Pastor Jack Mannschreck  
Worship Arts: Chancel Choir and  
Jubilate & Alleluia Dancers

MAY 21

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE~  
A CELEBRATION OF LITTLE  
SPROUTS MINISTRY AND  
STAFF

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship

9:55 a.m. - Sanctuary Worship

11:10 a.m. - The Conversation

Led by Rev. Kathy Pittenger  
"From Little Sprouts to  
Strong Roots"

Worship Arts: Chancel Choir,  
Carol & New Joy Choirs and  
Little Sprouts Kids

CHANGE OF ADDRESS



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*Born to Eternal Life*

Joanne I. Kaminskis

07/18/1936 - 04/08/2017

*Born to Eternal Life*

John "Jack" Marks

07/16/1940 - 04/13/2017

*Our Deepest Sympathies*

Our deepest sympathies to  
William "Bill" Wright on the death of  
his son-in-law, John "Jack" Marks

Our deepest sympathies to Heather,  
Kristen, and Robyn Marks on the  
death of their great uncle, John "Jack"  
Marks

*Born to Eternal Life*

Paul S. Closson

01/4/1934 - 04/18/2017

*Our Deepest Sympathies*

Our deepest sympathies to  
Annabelle Closson on the death of her  
husband, Paul Closson

Our deepest sympathies to Leah,  
Steve, & Maggie Halpin on the death  
of her father and her grandfather, Paul  
Closson

Our deepest sympathies to Janice  
Caldwell on the death of her brother,  
Paul Closson



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Accent Flowers supplies carnations  
for the altar in our sanctuary at  
no charge when we have a death  
in our congregation. The shop is  
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reach them by phone at 248-461-  
6941 or online at [www.aafloreshop.com](http://www.aafloreshop.com).



CENTRAL CINEMA  
Join us on Saturday, June 3 for  
*Bucket List*. Jack Nicholson and  
Morgan Freeman star in this  
delightful comedy about two dying  
men who travel the world to discover  
joy in their lives. This film, our last  
of the season, encourages us all to  
seek love and fulfillment in our life's  
journey. The film is rated PG-13.  
All are welcome and we'd love for  
you to bring a friend! If you have  
any questions, please contact Christy  
Painter at [gliddenpaints@yahoo.com](mailto:gliddenpaints@yahoo.com).

THE  
CONVERSATION  
CORNER

The Conversation is a casual interac-  
tive worship experience with a live  
band! It's designed to connect us  
with God and each other in an open  
exchange of ideas. Come check it  
out some Sunday at 11:10 a.m. in the  
Fellowship Hall and let your friends,  
neighbors, and family know about it!

## CAMP JOB OPENINGS

Are you interested in working at a United Methodist Summer Camp this summer? There are job openings for cooks, lifeguards, and counselors at various camps including Camp Kinawind in Boyne Falls, Albright Park Camp in Reed City, Judson Collins Center in Onsted, Lake Michigan Camp in Pentwater, and Crystal Springs Camp in Dowagiac. Visit [www.umcamping.org](http://www.umcamping.org) for postings and more information!

## CENTRAL UMC OUT AND ABOUT IN WATERFORD!

### Memorial Day Parade

Central will be walking and participating in the Waterford Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 29 at 10:00 a.m. The parade travels north on Dixie Hwy. between Sashabaw Rd. & Williams Lake Rd. If you are interested in serving and helping with the parade planning and preparation for our church, or if you are interested in walking along the parade route with the church, contact Katie Henwood at 248-681-0040.

### Movies under the Moonlight

As a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Central will be participating in the Movies under the Moonlight at Pierce Middle School on Friday, June 23 at 6:30 p.m. This fun community event features an outdoor movie and family friendly activities. Central will host an activity table at the event. If you are interested in helping to plan our participation, or if you want to help during the event, please contact Katie Henwood at 248-681-0040.



## HERO CENTRAL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us June 19 - 23 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for a fun week of games, science, story, music, crafts, snacks, and more!! Register now at <http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/waterfordcumc>. Want to serve before, during or after? Contact Rev. Kathy to find out ways that you can help!



## BLOOD DRIVE

Central will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, May 22 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There are multiple ways you can help, including; host and welcome donors, provide a meal for the Red Cross staff, and/or donate blood! There are sign-up sheets in the Chapel hallway and if you'd like to sign-up online to donate blood, visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).



## CENTRAL FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is in need of the following items: tuna, soup (non-cream), cereal, rice, canned veggies, jam/jelly, medium and large peanut butter, mac and cheese, boxed stuffing, spaghetti (pasta only), hamburger helper, manwich, baked beans, toothpaste, paper towel, bars of soap, and body wash. Thank you!

## CONNECT WITH CENTRAL

**Web:** [www.waterfordcumc.org](http://www.waterfordcumc.org)

**Facebook:** [waterfordcumc](https://www.facebook.com/waterfordcumc)

**Twitter:** [@waterfordcumc](https://twitter.com/waterfordcumc)

### eNewsletter:

If you'd like to receive our bi-monthly newsletter, go to [www.waterfordcumc.org](http://www.waterfordcumc.org) and click the *Sign-up* button on the right hand column, or send an email to [khenwood@waterfordcumc.org](mailto:khenwood@waterfordcumc.org).

### The Conversation

**Facebook:** [cumcconversation](https://www.facebook.com/cumcconversation)

**Twitter:** [@conversationumc](https://twitter.com/conversationumc)

## THANK YOU!

*Dear Church Family,*

We would like to thank the Central United Methodist Church family for contributing to the scholarship fund for the preschool. Several deserving families have benefited from your generous donations. Thank you!

*Little Sprouts Preschool*

*Dear Central Church,*

I would like to thank our CUMC church family for all the prayers, thoughts and support over the past months! I have finished my chemo treatments and will be starting radiation in a few weeks. Thanks again!

*Pam Gustafson*

*Dear Waterford Central UMC,*

With your donation of \$250 in January, you took action in showing how much you care about the children at Methodist Children's Home Society. Because of you, we're able to celebrate 100 years of service to kids and families in Southeast Michigan. This month at MCHS, because of your gift, our residents are making memories with their friends on campus by participating in reading activities, playing basketball outside and playing on the playground, attending a Detroit Piston's game and focusing on therapy and healing so eventually they'll be ready to go back into a foster home. All of our programming is life changing for kids to grow up to be happy, healthy adults and move beyond a lifetime of abuse, and none of it would be possible without your help. Thank you again for your donation.

*Kevin Roach, MSW*

*Chief Executive Officer  
Methodist Children's Home  
Society*

## CHIMES SCHEDULE

| Issue Date           | Submission Deadline |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Sunday, May 21 Issue | Wednesday, May 10   |
| Sunday, June 4 Issue | Wednesday, May 24   |

Please send all of your articles, thank you notes and address changes to the Church office or e-mail them to Katie Henwood at [khenwood@waterfordcumc.org](mailto:khenwood@waterfordcumc.org). Thank you!



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Dear Friends,  
This past week you received a letter from me on behalf of our Finance Committee launching our 110% Campaign. While this campaign is about raising funds to offset our budget deficit, it is also about awareness. As I write these words I can imagine many people who will read them, thinking "Sure, Pastor Jack, but it's really about the money, right?"

In a very significant way, our 110% Campaign is about the future of our church. Not in a panicked "Will we survive?" way, but rather in a "Are we doing all we can for the Kingdom of God on earth?" way. Central Church is 110 years old and we want to give 110% toward making sure that we continue to be relevant now. That is how we secure the future of our church.

I have been your pastor for four years now and I have had a wonderful time getting to know the people of Central Church, Waterford, and the surrounding area. I have learned of your incredible love for your church as well as your incredible gifts and talents that are being used for

ministry. We have talented members and staff and a desire to truly make a difference in the lives of our members, friends, and the communities in which we live, work, and play. In short, Central Church is a great faith community with deep and supportive relationships and meaningful traditions that have impacted our members and friends for decades.

Here's the challenge for us, Central Church. While we cherish our community, relationships and traditions, the world around our church has changed. Many of you have recognized declines in attendance, financial support and volunteers. While we love our community and traditions, we struggle to be relevant in our ever-changing world.

That is why our 110% campaign is about more than money. We need people to give more of their time, their expertise in a variety of disciplines and a commitment to the mission and ministry of Central Church.

As I wrote in the letter your received last week, we are encouraging you to "Think

10!" Could you pray 10 minutes a day for those on our prayer list? Could you make an impact on 10 kids in Kids GROW by serving for one Sunday? Could you donate 10 canned good items to the food pantry to help families in our community who would go hungry without it? Could you make 10 phone calls to brighten the day of our homebound members and friends? Could you volunteer 10% more of your time being a greeter or helping with coffee hour or being an usher?

I am calling for our members and friends to contemplate our Mission Statement and to consider ways in which "Think 10" will help us live out our Mission. That Mission Statement is below. I encourage you to attend worship services in May and to consider how our incredible church community can connect with our world.

I look forward to seeing you in worship!  
Because of Christ,

*Pastor Jack*

*Mission Statement of Central Church:  
Connecting with God, Connecting with Others,  
Changing our World with Christ's Love*