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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. We will have a reception following the service to honor and celebrate the ministry of Pam & Andy (for their retirement), Tammy and Lynn. All are welcome so please join us!

PRAYERS FOR STUDENTS

Our first year of the Prayers for Students ministry was a wonderful success! Over the year, relationships were formed, and nurtured between the generations. Many thanks to the children, youth, and adults who participated. We will be continuing the ministry during the next school year. If you would like to participate or would like more information, please contact Rev. Kathy. Everyone in the congregation is invited to participate.



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? Here are a few ways to serve: prayer team, storytelling assistant, craft assistant, snack assistant, preschool assistant, guide (travels with small group of children to different activity centers), registration, decorations, set up, marketing, and more! Contact Rev. Kathy to learn more about how you can serve!

BLOOD DRIVE

May 21, 2017

Central will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, May 22 from 12:00 p.m. - 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.

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CENTRAL FOOD PANTRY Considering ways to "Think 10" during the 110% campaign? How about picking up 10 items the next time you grocery shop and dropping them in the food panty collection container at Church! Each week the Central food panty serves people and families in the community who would go hungry without the food we provide to them. The food pantry is currently 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. You could also pray for 10 minutes for the ministry and the people we serve. Thank you!

LIBERIA SUPPORT BRUNCH

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the Liberia Support Brunch on Sunday, April 30. Over \$1,252.00 was raised for C.W. Duncan, St. Mark and wells in Liberia, while we enjoyed fellowship and delicious food. Thank you!



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congruatulations to Pastor Jack who graduated on Friday, May 12 with his Doctor of Ministry degree!

SAVE THE DATE!

We have been asked by Riverside Elementary School to host the Ice Cream Social and Book Exchange again this summer. The date is Tuesday, August 8th from 6:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m. More information will be coming soon!

CENTRAL CINEMA

Join us on Saturday, June 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor for Central Cinema. We will be watching *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 for the season, encourages us 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.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Attention all Seniors graduating from high school and college students! Scholarship applications are now available for the 2017-2018 school year. You can pick up an application from the church office or call/email the church office to have it sent electronically.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE Central will be walking and participating in the Waterford Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 29 at 10:00 a.m. If you are interested in walking in the parade with us, please contact Pastor Jack. We are also in need of candy to pass out during the parade so if you would like to make a donation of individually wrapped candy (non-chocolate), please drop it off in the church office by Wednesday, May 24. Thank you!

Our Deepest Sympathies

Our deepest sympathies to Vickie & Paul Armstrong on the death of her father, Al Shulte

Our deepest sympathies to William and David Armstrong on the death of their grandfather, Al Shulte

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Our deepest sympathies to Allen Cody, Eric, and Shannon Beedle on the death of their mother, Stephanie Beedle

Worship Notes

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 and
Carol & New Joy Choirs

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MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
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
Good News Ringers

JUNE 4

8:30 a.m. - Chapel Worship
9:55 a.m. - Sanctuary Worship
11:10 a.m. - The Conversation
Led by Ernie Bauer Guest Preacher
Worship Arts: Chancel Choir and
Agape Ringers

June Birthdays

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

James Bensken - June 1

William Svenkesen - June 3
Cleg Bordeaux - June 7

Jay Young - June 9

Glenn Wilson - June 14

Herbert Alsup - June 15

Barbara Johnston - June 19

LaVonne Long - June 21

Florence Anderson - June 25 Margaret Mariner - June 28

June Anniversaries
Congratulations to the following
couples Celebrating an Anniversary

of 50 years or more.

Bruce and Beverly Lax June 16 ~ 55 years

Paul and Deanna Bowers
June 24 ~ 58 years

Charles and Shirley Tindall June 25 ~ 57 years

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The Conversation

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THANK YOU!

Dear Central Church Family,
We would like to thank each and
every member of our church family
for your continuous prayers, love and
support of our family during Collin's final battle. You are all such a
blessing to us, from all of the cards of
encouragement and hope throughout
our time in North Carolina, to the
orchestration of the beautiful memorial service and luncheon. We are
forever grateful for your love.
Sincerely,

Brooke and Shiela Strang

Dear Central UMC,

Thank you for your \$300 donation in January 2017 to the Open Door Outreach Center. Your gift feeds the hungry in a big way! We are so grateful for your partnership with us at Open Door. It is through churches and people like you that we have been able to feed the hungry for 36 years! In 2016 we fed 7,796 hungry people with 239,460 pounds of food. We also provided \$28,709 in vouchers at the Resale Store for clothing and household items. Your support helps to alleviate hunger and bring people to self-sufficiency.

Again, thank you for your donation and for supporting needy families and individuals in our community. Blessings,

Karen Myers, Director Open Door Outreach Center

We are grateful for the work and ministry of Katie Henwood over the past three and a half months in Marketing and Community Relations. Katie has accepted a new position and her last day working for the church was May 12. Katie and her family will continue to participate in the ministries of CUMC. Thank you, Katie!

CHIMES SCHEDULE & INFORMATION

Issue Date	Submission Deadline			
Sunday, June 4 Issue	Wednesday, May 24			
Sunday, June 18 Issue	Wednesday, June 7			

Please send all of your articles, thank you notes and address changes to the Church office or e-mail them to info@waterfordcumc.org. Thank you!

June 2017 Calendar

Saturday	3	6:00 pm - Central Cinema - Parlor	10		17		24			
Friday	2	7:00 am - Men's Bible Study	6	7:00 am - Men's Bible Study	16		23	9:00 am - Hero Central Vacation Bible School	30	
Thursday	1 8:30 am - Thursday Fix-it Crew/Breakfast	12:00 pm - Harvesters - Pontoon boat outing 6:00 pm - Choir Potluck at Donna Bevington's	8	8:30 am - Thursday Fix-it Crew/Breakfast 9:15 am - Mom's Connect - Parlor	15	8:30 am - Thursday Fix-it Crew/Breakfast	22	8:30 am - Thursday Fix-it Crew/Breakfast 9:00 am - Hero Central Vacation Bible School	29	8:30 am - Thursday Fix-it Crew/Breakfast
Wednesday	ı		7 10:00 am - Keller-Fitz	Book Study - 104 11:30 am - Olive Mae Glenn Cirlce - Parlor	14	10:00am - Keller-Fitz Book Study - Rm 108	21	9:00 am - Hero Central Vacation Bible School 10:00am - Keller-Fitz Book Study - 108	78	10:00am - Keller-Fitz Book Study - Rm 108
Tuesday			9	1:00 pm - Hutchinson Circle Parlor	13	6:00 pm - Eschtruth Circle at Velette Svenkesen's House	20	9:00 am - Hero Central Vacation Bible School	27	
Monday			5	10:30 am - Easy Exercise and Chair Yoga - Narthex	12	10:30 am - Easy Exercise and Chair Yoga - Narthex	19	9:00 am - Hero Central Vacation Bible School 10:30 am - Easy Exercise and Chair Yoga - Narthex	26	10:30 am - Easy Exercise and Chair Yoga - Narthex
Sunday			4 8:30 am - Chapel	Service 9:55 am - Sanctuary Service 11:00 am - Faith Link 11:10 am -The Conversation	11 8:30 am - Chapel	9:55 am - Sanctuary Service 11:00 am - Faith Link 11:10 am - The Conversation 1:00 pm - Youth Group - Pontiac Lake Beach	18	Happy Father's Day 8:30 am - Chapel Service 9:55 am - Sanctuary Service 11:00 am - Faith Link 11:10 am -The Conversation	25	8:30 am - Chapel Service 9:55 am - Sanctuary Service 11:00 am - Faith Link 11:10 am -The Conversation

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Our world is once again in transition as the trees are still budding and flowers are blooming. I am reminded that our church is also in transition. While some of our programs are winding down and our schedules are easing a bit, our days are filling up with new opportunities to be outside, enjoying the fresh air, exercising and appreciating God's good creation including our own bodies as we shed heavier clothing to move more freely.

We are still in the midst of our 110% Campaign, trying to raise funds and encouraging our members to discover for themselves ways in which to "Think 10!" While my natural inclination is to attempt to inspire you to give more of your time and abilities and yes your funds, I have been recently reminded that we also need to care for ourselves. Once again, we can be creative in our attempts to "Think 10!"

In their book, *Bearing Fruit: Ministry with Real Results*, Lovett H. Weems and Tom Berlin encourage us to care for ourselves and therefore sustain our fruitfulness.

Weems and Berlin tell about the research of Jim Loehr and Tony Schwartz, which they share in their own book, *The Power of Full Engagement*. Loehr and Schwartz found in working with top professional tennis players that "The difference between the top athletes and the lower-performing ones had to do with what they did with the seconds between points."

Loehr and Schwartz continue, "Top athletes have disciplines habits of recovery. They have ritual of resting between points, games, and matches that allow their minds and bodies to maximize rest and refuel." Weems and Berlin reflect on these words by recognizing that people who do not take time to rest become unhealthy. They adopt an attitude of indispensability and lack joy in their work and life itself. They conclude, "The key is to plan and schedule recovery time and consider it the spiritual discipline of Sabbath. Church leaders who are on a mission from God tend to violate the Sabbath more than any other part of their interior life. There are many ways to find replenishment. Some take minutes while other take days."

I encourage you, as part of our 110% Campaign, to think of ways in which you can replenish your spirit and connect with God and others. Think 10! You may want to take ten minutes a day to meditate and pray. Perhaps you would like to devote 10 hours of time to a particular spiritual practice or a book on spirituality. Maybe you could gather a group of people (10?) to learn about a particular issue in our world and pray over that issue. The possibilities are endless!

The purpose of our 110% Campaign is truly more than an attempt to raise funds for our ministry. It is our attempt to help people embrace and live our Mission Statement: Connecting with God. Connecting with Others. Changing our World with Christ's love.

As we find ourselves in the transition from spring to summer, take some time to rest, replenish and refuel. I look forward to seeing you in worship.

Because of Christ,

Pastor Jack