

Connecting with God,
Connecting with Others,
Changing our World with Christ's Love
JANUARY 20, 2019

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:15 am- The Conversation 10:30 am - Sanctuary Worship

UPCOMING IN WORSHIP

Sunday is Human Relations Day; a special offering will be taken. Pastor Jack begins his movie message series with "Aquaman." Music by Agape Ringers & Chancel Choir.

ear Church Family,

We are two weeks into the New Year and I'm wondering how we're all doing on our New Year's Resolutions. According to the Nielson research firm, "only 64% last longer than the first month, and only 46% last longer than six months. Even more discouraging is the statistic that only 14% of people over 50 actually achieve their resolution, compared to 39% of people in their 20's." (Source: CBS Philly.com) Whatever part of your life you've decided to change for the better, I pray for God's blessing as I encourage you to remember your spiritual development and growth this year as well.

As a result of not being able to get the study book for our Creating a Culture of Calling (C3) process, we've delayed the start of our small groups. They will now begin on Sunday, February 10. The book, Kathleen Cahalan's *The Stories We Live*, is supposed to be reprinted and available at the end of this month. Please make every effort to be a part of this great initiative in our church family.

This Sunday, January 20, we're beginning our series of messages based on newly released movies. We will consider Aquaman on January 20. Arthur Curry is a reluctant hero as he learns he is the heir to the underwater kingdom of Atlantis. Come and learn the difference between being a king and being a hero as we talk about this holiday blockbuster that is still going strong in theaters.

Mary Poppins Returns will be the focus

of the message on January 27. Decades after her original visit, the magical nanny returns to help the Banks siblings and Michael's children through a difficult time in their lives. Critics tell us that Mary Poppins still has that magic touch!

We take a more serious tack with our third movie, On the Basis of Sex. This movie chronicles the career of Ruth Bader Ginsberg, who as a young wife and mother, and a very competent attorney, works toward gender equality, overturning over a century of prejudice and stereotypes.

As we move into February, we will celebrate the big game, Scout Sunday and Youth Sunday; and before you know it we will be in Lent! These are exciting days at Central Church. Make sure you "resolve" to be a part of it all. I look forward to seeing you in worship.

Be good to each other!

Pastor Jack

It's Game Time!

Join us for a fabulous Super Bowl party on Sun. Feb. 3rd @ 6pm. Watch your email for details.

Please Update Your Emergency Contact Info

Pick up a card from the Welcome Table in the Narthex, fill it out and return it to the office, or fill it out online (click on "forms"). Thank you.

The deadline for the Sunday, February 3rd issue of *Chimes* is Wednesday, January 23rd. Please send all of your articles, thank you notes and address changes to the Church office or e-mail them to rdanek@waterfordcumc.org.



Jan. 20th, 4:30pm - Mission Project at Micah 6

Jan. 21st - Church Office Closed in Observation of MLK Day

Jan. 22nd, 7pm - Trustees Meeting

Jan. 25th & 26th - Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby

Jan. 28th, 7pm - Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) Meeting

Feb. 1st & 2nd - Confirmation Retreat

Feb. 2nd, 6pm - Central Cinema

Feb. 3rd, 3pm - Oakland County Chess Club

Feb. 3rd, 6pm - Super Bowl Party

Feb. 9th, 6:30pm - Youth Group Valentines Bake-Off

Feb. 10th, 11:45am & 5:45pm - C3 Study Begins

Feb 11th, 6:30pm - Finance Committee Meeting

Feb. 13th, 7pm - C3 Study Begins **Feb. 14th, 6:30pm** - C3 Study

Begins

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Purple Threads Women's Bible Study

Begins Tuesday, February 19th @ 7pm in the Parlor

Our next study will be *John: The Gospel of Light and Life* by Adam Hamilton. The Gospel of John is the most deeply spiritual of the four gospels. It includes some of the loftiest and most loved verses in the Bible. But John notes that his aim in writing the gospel is so that his readers will not only believe in Jesus Christ, but that they "may have life in his name." Experience a season of spiritual growth and life-changing renewal as you follow the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus and rediscover the context of some of the best-known verses in the New Testament. The book is \$11.00 and will be available in the church office. A video will be shown at each session, followed by discussion. Other class dates are: March 5 & 19, April 2 & 23 and May 7. Sue Shipley is our teaching leader. If you would like to join us, please contact Diana Carter, 248-309-2490 or dianacarter@comcast.net

Clothe-a-Child Updates: We Need Hats and Mittens/Gloves

With 400 children to clothe each year, we still need lots of hats and mittens/gloves for Waterford School children. Sizes can be for infants to adult. This time of year, and for the next couple of months, stores will be having sales or putting these items on clearance. Please bring them in matched sets. If you buy a hat, please find appropriate-sized gloves or mittens to match; if you buy gloves or mittens, bring the appropriate-sized hat to go with them. Please safety pin them together. This will save the Clothe-A-Child shoppers lots of time in trying to find matches. There is a place to hang your items in the window in the corner of the Narthex, as well as a collection box. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our local school children warm!

Knit for Kids Update

The Knit for Kids program originally started with Guideposts Magazine in 1996 and is now operated by World Vision. Central began in the fall of 2004 and our first shipment of sweaters went out in early 2005. To date, 1400 sweaters have been knitted and crocheted by Central members and friends. In 2014 World Vision asked for baby blankets and baby caps. Central has provided 645 baby hats and 76 blankets. Then, in 2017 they requested children's knit hats and mittens. We have sent in 117 hats and 24 pairs of mittens. Wow, our crafters have been busy! We thank those who have been keeping their hands busy providing warm clothing for children in the U. S. and around the world, and to those who have donated yarn. Also a special thank you to those who purchased Mission cards this past Christmas. Money raised for Knit for Kids provides the postage to mail the items to World Vision. If you wish to participate, knit and crochet patterns and yarn are available on a table outside the Brides Room just beyond the Narthex. Once your project is completed, please place it on the table. If you have questions contact Diana Carter, 248-309-2490.



Central's Christmas offering raised \$3,675. 20% of the offering will be tithed to two local missions (10% to each) Oakland Hope and the Baldwin Center. Thank you for your generosity.

Sympathies To

Stephanie Shawl and family on the death of her husband Durwood Shawl, who passed into eternal life on January 5th, 2019.

Jill Leek and her family on the death of her mother, Sylvia Newcomb.

Our prayers are with the families.

Happy Birthday to Our Members Who Will Reach 80+ Years This February

- Daniel Aldrich, 2/2
- Janice Caldwell, 2/6
- Marshall Rice, 2/10
- Sally Hon, 2/11
- Joyce Clarkson, 2/12
- Marjorie Jones, 2/15
- Dawn Davis, 2/25
- Phyllis Liming, 2/25

Address Changes

Please note there are new mailing addresses for:

Nath Ejelonu 29708 Pleasant Trail Southfield, MI 48076-1874

Debra Shear Regency of Waterford Ste. 182 1901 N. Telegraph Rd Waterford, MI 48328

There is a new phone number for:

Russ & Kathleen Scafuri 248-535-2244

Central 50+ Anniversaries

Congratulations to:

- Russell & Barbara Jacobson, 2/12, 64 yrs.
- Robert & Marcia Swartz, 2/22, 50 yrs.
- Larry & Doris Quick, 2/25, 58 vrs.

2018 Contribution Statements

These will soon be available in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact bookkeeper Sue Newill Tuesday—Thursday at (248) 681-0040.

Movie Message Series

Begins January 20th with "Aquaman"

Other movie messages will be:

- Jan. 27th-Mary Poppins Returns
- Feb. 3rd-On the Basis of Sex

Watch the announcements and "Central Happenings" email newsletter for details on going to the show as a group.

Men's Summit January 25th–27th

Join the men of the church next weekend at the Judson Collins Retreat Center. This year's study will be the four-part DVD series "Your Move." Cost is \$89 per person. Sign up outside the office or see Mark Strobel or John Pierre for more info.



"Hidden Figures"

Three brilliant African-American women at NASA are key to the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence, turned around the Space Race and galvanized the world.

Mission Opportunities in 2019

In November and December of 2018 we evaluated the neighborhoods around Central church to determine the key profiles of individuals and families in our neighborhood. One of the characteristics of people in our area is that they are looking for local volunteer opportunities. In response to this information Central is planning missions in 2019 to local non-profit organizations. Our plan is to build ongoing partnership relationships with these groups, and to open these opportunities up to people from our local community, as well as church members and attendees.

Our first opportunity will be in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. day and will be on **Sunday, January 20th from 4:30-7:30pm**. We will be volunteering at Micah 6, a non-profit dedicated to urban stabilization, food security and spiritual development in Pontiac. Affordable housing is a key initiative of Micah 6, and during our volunteer time we will be sanding and painting an apartment that they are preparing to rent to a local family.

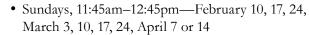
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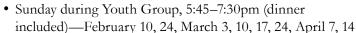
- Sunday, January 20th, 4:30-7:30pm—Micah 6
- March 1, 3 & 4th—Serving dinner at HOPE Shelter
- Saturday, March 16th, 10-1pm—Oakland Hope
- Saturday, May 18th, 10-1pm—Oakland Hope
- June 1, 2 & 3rd—Serving dinner at HOPE Shelter
- Saturday, July 13th, 9am–1pm (meet at church at 8am)—Cass Community Social Services
- Saturday, November 2nd, 10-1pm—Oakland Hope

Please add these opportunities to your calendar and join us in the mission field as we show the love of Christ in our community. We will be providing details and logistical information as these dates get closer.

New Dates for C3 Studies

We are moving the dates of the C3 Study based on the book *The Stories We Live*. The studies will now begin the week of February 10th. New days and dates are as follows:





- Wednesdays, 7–8:30pm—February 13, 20, 27, March 13, 20, 27, April 10, 17
- Thursdays, 6:30–7:30pm—February 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 11
- Saturday Retreat, 8:30am—1:30pm—February 23 & March 9

Sign up online or outside the church office for any of these study dates.



Opportunities to Serve & Grow

Donate to Clothe-a-Child to help with this ongoing program. Write a check to CUMC with "Clothe-a-Child" in the memo line, or donate a matched set of hat and mittens/gloves.

Help Central's Homebound Members. We have had requests for assistance by a few of our homebound members. We would like to begin gathering names of people interested in volunteering to help these members with a variety of activities—from transporting them to church to helping with household repairs and chores. If you're interested in this ministry, please contact Rev. Cora or Robin Danek at (248) 681-0040 or cglass@waterfordcumc.org (Cora) or rdanek@waterfordcumc.org (Robin.) Thank you!

February 2019 Calendar

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