

UPCOMING IN WORSHIP (10:30am)

Pastor Jack wraps up his "Sharing Our Stories" sermon series with The Risky Business of Testifying. Music provided by the Chancel Choir and Agape Bell Choir.

ear Friends,

As the leaves change color and temperatures cool, it is apparent that fall is fully upon us. I've been receiving reports from people who have recently traveled north that the leaves are providing a wonderful display of creation, as the green forests yield to a palette of colors and hues. I was recently told by one of our members that the cooler temperatures and rain of the past few weeks will prolong the colors. I know that I have enjoyed wonderful colors while driving locally! A quick trip to Lansing this past week and couple jaunts over to Rochester have provided more than one smile. You don't have to go far to enjoy the creation with which God has blessed us.

As I write this, we are preparing this week for our annual Trunk or Treat event, complete with our Haunted Tunnel that delights people of all ages! Our Trunk or Treat party is a sure sign that Thanksgiving is around the corner, and Christmas is not far behind. I am excited about some of the wonderful services, events and gatherings we are planning.

Rev. Cora is working with a committee to provide a wonderful Advent by Candlelight fellowship for the women of our church, and our Music Director, Kevin Naeve, has begun work with our choir for the Christmas Cantata on December 8. Of course, there will be our usual Christmas Eve worship services; this year we will have a Service of Lesson and Carols. There will be lots of music

that will no doubt provide a festive celebration.

In November, we have special Sunday services that are a part of our traditions here at Central Church. Our Annual Rose Memorial is on All Saint's Sunday, November 3, when we remember those who have passed away since the last All Saint's Sunday. The following Sunday is our Annual Founder's Day celebration, where we recognize our 50 year members. During these wonderful celebrations, I will offer a series of message on "Hope in the Dark." It is my intention to recognize real concerns of our world and church and offer a word of hope in what some describe as dark times. That word of hope is the foundation of our faith that celebrates light in the darkness, hope in the midst of despair and resurrection life in the midst of fear and death.

The days are getting shorter, but it is my prayer that we will find hope together, so that the celebrations we are preparing for will be so much sweeter and meaningful!! I look forward to seeing you in worship.

Because of Christ,

Pastor Jack

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The deadline for the Sunday, November 10th issue of *Chimes* is Wednesday, October 30th. Please send all of your articles, thank you notes and address changes to the Church office or e-mail them to rdanek@waterfordcumc.org.



Oct 27th, 4pm-Trunk or Treat

Oct. 28th, 10:30am-Chair Yoga

Oct 28th, 7pm-SPRC Meeting

Oct. 30th, 10am-Keller-Fitz Group

Oct. 30th, 6:30pm-Nominations and Leadership Dev. Committee

Oct 31st-No Central Cafe. Happy Halloween!

Oct. 31st, 6:25pm–Agape Ringers

Oct. 31st, 7:30pm-Chancel Choir

Nov. 2nd, 9:30am–Volunteering at Oakland Hope

Nov 2nd, 6pm-Central Cinema

Nov 3rd, Noon–Young Adult Group

Nov. 3rd, 3pm-OC Chess Club

Nov 3rd, 5:45pm–Youth Group Service Day at Micah 6

Nov. 4th, 10:30am-Chair Yoga

Nov 4th, 5pm—Cathedral of Valor Serving

Nov 4th, 7pm–Small Group Leader Training

Nov. 5th, 9:30am–Moms Connect

Nov 5th, 1pm-Hutchinson Circle

Nov. 5th, 7pm-Purple Threads

Nov 6th, 10am–Keller-Fitz Study Group

Nov. 7th, 6:30pm—Thurs. Eve. Study Group

Nov 10th, 11:45am—Small Group Leader Training

Upcoming Worship Celebrations

November 3, 2019 – All

Saints Sunday honoring those who have gone to their heavenly home. Pastor Jack's message; "Where is God When It All Goes to Hell?" based on Habakkuk 1:1-5.

November 10, 2019 -

Heritage Sunday honoring Central's 50-year members. Pastor Jack's message: "Waiting for God," based on Habakkuk 2:1-3.



Thank You Crop Walkers

Twenty-two walkers raised over \$1500 to help alleviate hunger locally and worldwide. Thank you to everyone who walked, rocked or donated.



Liberia Luncheon a Great Success

On October 6th, 80 people attended Central's luncheon to raise funds to support our partnership with Liberia. \$4615 was raised, with 18 donations of \$40 or over doubled! The funds will go toward 24 scholarships for students of the C.W. Duncan UM School in Liberia and to help rebuild St Mark's United Methodist Church in Liberia.



Saturday, November 2nd (a) 6pm

This film recounts the true story of a 10-year-old Texas girl, Annabel Beam, who has a near-death experience, and is later cured of an untreatable disease. Based on the book by Christy Beam, we are witness to one mother's faith in God and his healing touch. PG.



Oakland County Chess Club

November 3rd, 3-6pm

Play chess; make a friend. All level of players are welcome, so invite friends and family.

For more information, visit:

facebook.com/oaklandcountychessclub

Save the Date!

Harvesters Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov. 14th @ Noon



Jason Hinsberg is requesting gently used or new ladies or men's adult clothing sized XL to 3X. The clothing will go to the mentally ill, who are often in adult foster care or nursing homes, and have little or no money to purchase clothing. Please help support Jason for this school project that will show God's love into the community. Put donations in the drop box in the Chapel hallway. Thank you.

Address Changes

Please note there is new contact information for:

Annabel Closson no longer has a land line. Her cell number is 407-491-0051.

Central 50+ Anniversaries

Congratulations to:

 Stephen & Sandra Krupa, 11/28, 50 yrs.

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

- Patricia Loomis, 11/1
- Mary Wilhoyte, 11/3
- Bruce Hazen, 11/8
- John Nelson, 11/11
- Howard Shipley, 11/12
- Marilyn Bruce, 11/15
- Doris Quick, 11/17
- Judith Bradbury, 11/18
- Eleanor Snyder, 11/23

The annual church conference will be on Sunday, Nov. 17th at 1pm. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Born to Eternal Life: Lillian Ruth Denyes

January 27, 1922 – October 11, 2019

Member since September 24, 1961

Our prayers are with her many friends, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Advent by Candlelight

Wednesday, December 4th, 7-9pm

Advent by Candlelight is a special evening for women to become renewed and refreshed before the Christmas rush begins. This is an opportunity to relax and refocus on the season of Advent—a wonderful time of waiting and anticipation. In an elegant atmosphere, lit only by candlelight, guests are served a delightful dessert by a table hostess. The program includes uplifting Scripture readings, music and reflections focused on the Advent season.

Sign up to be a Table Hostess

As a table hostess, you'll host up to seven women that you invite to your table for the evening. You'll come early and decorate your table as you wish for the Season, with fine china or paper products; it's up to you! The only requirement is that your table has the four advent candles on it. These candles will create the peaceful setting for the evening. We'll provide the coffee and hot water; you'll provide any tea, desserts or other goodies you'd like.

Enjoy serving your guests as if they were in your own home. Perhaps you'll send them home with a prayerful favor. Allow your creativity to set a beautiful place where our hearts will make room for the Christ!

There is a sign up sheet outside the church office.

Help to Feed the Hungry

Oakland Hope, 9am-3pm, Nov. 2nd

Join us for a day of volunteering at the Oakland Hope thrift store and food pantry. Sign up outside the church office.

Thank You from Central's Hope Shelter Ministry

Twice a year for the past 16 years, volunteers from Central have gone to Hope Shelter in Pontiac to serve a warm, home-cooked meal to homeless individuals and families. This year, Central served for three days in early March and three days in early June.

Approximately 50 volunteers spent many hours preparing and serving meals, which provided needed nourishment. But more than that, the care demonstrated by those serving gives hope to the homeless, knowing that there are caring people in the community.

Both in March and in June the Shelter was at full capacity—65 guests—all three nights, so nearly 400 people were helped. Meals were planned for 80 per night so that Central could provide dinner for the volunteers and staff as well.

In recent years this ministry was funded by rummage sale proceeds and church budget, but this year the team asked for donations to cover all expenses. Eighteen people generously donated a total of \$1,290 to cover the \$1,100 needed to purchase food and supplies. The balance is being used for the new Cathedral of Valor Café, where once a month Central provides a meal to the homeless in Pontiac.

Thank you to everyone who helped out this year with Central's Hope Shelter ministry. Dates are being planned for 2020 as Central begins its 17th year of supporting Hope Shelter. Watch for opportunities to join us in this important ministry.



November 2019

Central Café Schedule 4:00-5:00pm Alleluia Dancers 5:00-5:45pm Good News Ringers 4:00-5:45pm Good News Ringers
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9:30am - Moms 6
1pm - Hutchinson Circle 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Leader Dog 7pm - Laining Training ELECTION DAY
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9:30am - Moms 20 Connect
6:30pm - Girl Scouts 8am - 6pm - Lifeline 7pm - Leader Dog Screening Training 10am - Keller-Fitz 7pm - Purple Threads
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