

# UPCOMING IN WORSHIP (10:30am)

Christ the King Sunday. Pastor Jack's message will be *King of Kings*. Music by Built on the Rock and special guest musicians.

# ear Church Family,

As we enter this "most wonderful time of the year," I want to share with you my hopes for the remaining days of 2019. Soon you will receive our annual Advent-Christmas letter. With that letter is the brochure outlining the many programs, events and worship services for the Advent and Christmas Seasons.

I want to share with you a couple of events that lead up to our Advent Season. Saturday, November 30 is our annual "Hanging of the Greens," during which we decorate our church with many Christmas trees, garlands and other decorations that remind us of the greatest "reason for the season"—the celebration of the birth of Christ! Sunday, December 1 is our recognition of college students, who are typically home for Thanksgiving weekend. It is our tradition to wear our school colors and have some of those returning students participate in that morning's worship service. December first is also the beginning of Advent, and we will begin our message series on The Gift of the Nutcracker, based on the book by the Rev. Matt Rawle.

The lighting of the Advent Candles is a wonderful part of preparing for the birth of Christ, and I am reaching out to you as individuals and families to be a part of lighting those candles

during our Advent worship services. Just let me know (very quickly) of your interest in that annual ritual; we've had various groups light candles, including some of our small groups, friends and families.

I am excited for this year's Christmas Eve services, as they will be Services of Lessons and Carols—lots of scripture and lots of music! I extend a welcome to you and encourage you to invite your friends to celebrate with us on that blessed night.

This "most wonderful time of the year" is my favorite, as we gather with friends and family throughout the season. When that Advent-Christmas letter reaches your home, look over the brochure and make plans to spend some of the season with your church family!

Here's to a wonderful and wonderfilled season of joy! I look forward to seeing you in church.

Because of Christ.

Pastor Jack

#### **CONNECT WITH CENTRAL**

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The deadline for the Sunday, December 8th issue of *Chimes* is Wednesday, November 27th. Please send all of your articles, thank you notes and address changes to the Church office or e-mail them to rdanek@waterfordcumc.org.



**Nov. 22nd, 7:30pm**—Tuesday Musicale Fundraiser: Troy Country Fiddlers

**Nov 22nd** - Deadline to Sign Up for Advent by Candlelight

Nov. 24th, 5:45pm—Youth Group "Un-Thanksgiving"

Nov. 25th, 10:30am-Chair Yoga

Nov. 25th, 7pm-SPRC Meeting

Nov. 26th, 7pm-Trustees Meeting

Nov 27th, 10am-Keller-Fitz

**Nov. 28th**–Happy Thanksgiving! No Central Cafe or Rehearsals

Nov. 29th, Noon-6pm-Blood Drive

Nov. 30th, 10am–Hanging of the Greens

Dec. 1st-Advent Begins

Dec. 2nd, 10:30am-Chair Yoga

**Dec. 2nd, 5pm**–Cathedral of Valor Serving

Dec. 3rd, 9:30am-Moms Connect

Dec. 3rd, 1pm-Hutchinson Circle

Dec. 4th, 10am-Keller-Fitz Group

**Dec. 4th, 5:30pm**–Waterford Refugee Welcome Alliance Mtg.

**Dec. 4th, 7pm**–Advent by Candlelight

**Dec. 5th, 6:30pm**—Thursday Evening Study

**Dec. 6th, 6pm–Dec. 7th, 6pm–**Confirmation Class Retreat

Dec. 7th, 6pm-Central Cinema

#### Methodist Children's Home Christmas Gifts

Once again the Eschtruth Circle will be coordinating gift-giving for the Children's Home. Beginning Dec. 1st, please choose a snowman ornament from the display in the Narthex window. On them you will find one of the names of the 60 boys, and an item from their wish list. Please place unwrapped gifts in the collection box in the Narthex. If you choose a snowman with a \$25 gift card, cards are available at the Scrip table. The deadline to drop off gifts and purchase gift cards is Sunday, December 15th at noon. Your generosity toward this wonderful program will brighten Christmas for these boys. If you have questions, please contact Diana Carter 248-309-2490.

#### **Sympathies** To

Ray Robinson & family on the death of his companion Mary Lynn Peters Kraft.

Ruth & Pastor Jack Mannschreck and family on the death of Ruth's father, Rev. Dr. O. William "Bill" Cooper.

Our prayers are with you.

#### Cradle Roll -

Scarlett Grace Allen Born November 10, 2019

Daughter of Paige Paquett & Zachary Allen Granddaughter of Jerry Paquett Congratulations!

#### Christmas Cantata

December 8th, during Worship

The expansive and glorious Christmas
Oratorio, Op. 12 by
Camille Saint-Saëns
will be performed
by the Chancel
Choir and guest
vocalists.

Bring a friend!



#### **Advent Services**

The Gift of the Nutcracker
Message Series

First Sunday in Advent Sunday, December 1st

Baby's First Christmas and Student Sunday. Message: Clara's Story of Watching and Waiting. Chancel Choir and Carol & New Joy Choirs.

Second Sunday in Advent Sunday, December 8th

Christmas Cantata by the Chancel Choir: *Christmas Oratorio, Op 12*. Message: Drosselmeir's Calming Love.

Third Sunday in Advent Sunday, December 15th

Message by Rev. Cora: The Mouse King Within Us. Chancel Choir and YTBN Ringers.

Fourth Sunday in Advent Sunday, December 23rd

Message: The Greatest Gift. Chancel Choir and Agape Ringers.

## Hanging of the Greens

Satu<mark>rday, Nov. 30th, 10</mark>am

Help decorate the church for the Christmas season. Sign up outside the church office.

## **Address Changes**

Please note there is new contact information for:

#### Julia Stephenson

544 E. Tugunga Ave. Apt. 203 Burbank, CA 91501

#### Central 50+ Anniversaries

#### Congratulations to:

 John & Nancy Radenbaugh, 12/20, 61 yrs.

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

- Joyce Lund, 12/2
- June MacLennan, 12/10
- John Radenbaugh, 12/12
- Gil Waters, 12/25
- John Pagen, 12/27

# Harvesters Holiday!

Thursday, Dec. 19th, Noon

Save the date for the Harvesters holiday get-together in the Parlor.

Details to come!

# Central Cinema "Nutcracker: the Motion Picture"

# Saturday, December 7th (a) 6pm

It's Christmas Eve and Clara is excited when her godfather presents her with an intriguing gift of a nutcracker. That night, Clara finds herself immersed in a dream world that is both dark and enchanting. Join us for this film in preparation for our Advent Message Series *The Gift of the Nutcracker*. G.

# Thank You to Everyone Who Made Trunk or Treat a Great Success!

29 Fars, 64 Volunteers, 580 Hot Dogs 20 lbs. of Popcorn and 721 (Guests!

Special thanks to Jannette Deszelle and Rev. Cora for their master planning and creativity!



### Advent by Candlelight Wednesday, December 4th, 7-9pm

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. There is a sign up sheet outside the church office for individuals.

Please sign up by Nov. 22nd.



# Poinsettia Order Form



As part of our Advent/Christmas celebration, we will be ordering Poinsettias to use as part of the decorations in the sanctuary. These plants will be in six-inch pots with gold wrappers. If you wish to place an order, please fill out the information below and return it to the Church Office with your payment. (**Please print your information**)



DEADLINE FOR ORDERS: **November 24, 2019** COST PER PLANT: **\$5.25** 

Name of Donor(s)							
Phone:							
In Honor of:							
In Memory of:							
I will take <b>after</b> the 11:00 p.m. service on December 24th OR Please deliver to a shut-in Amount enclosed: Number of plants x \$5.25 =							
If you place your order in the offering basket please make sure to mark your check or							
envelope "Poinsettia Order". Thank you							
☐ I am interested in delivering a Poinsettia to a shut in.							

December 2019

Saturday		9am - Girl Scouts 6pm - Confirmation Class Retreat Ends 6pm - Central Cinema-Nutcracker: the Motion Picture	14	7:30pm - Jackson Chorale Concert "Music for Christmas"	21		28	Alcoholics Anonymous: Monday 11:00 am, Wednesday 6:00 pm & Friday 7:30 pm Food Addicts in Recovery: Saturday 9:00 am Nar-Anon: Thursday 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous: Thursday 8:00 pm & Saturday 7:00 pm Lyme Disease: 2nd Tuesday @ 7:00 pm
Friday	9	Church Office Closed 6pm - Confirmation Class Retreat	13	Church Office Closed	20	Church Office Closed 7pm - Carols & Beer at Rustic Leaf Brewing Co.	27 Church Office Closed	
Thursday		8am - Fix-It Crew 4 - 9pm - Central Cafe Schedule 6:30pm - Thursday Eve. Study		8am - Fix-It Crew 4 - 9pm - Central Cafe Schedule 6:30pm - Thursday Eve. Study		8am - Fix-lt Crew 12pm - Harvesters 4 - 9pm - Central Cafe Schedule	- Fix-It Crew CENTRAL CAFE REHEARSALS	Central Café Schedule 4:00-5:00pm Alleluia Dancers 5:00-5:45pm Good News Ringers 5:15-6:30pm Dinner served 5:30-6:00pm Carol Choir 5:45-6:25pm YTBN Bell Ringers 6:25-7:15pm Agape Ringers 6:25-7:30pm New Joy Choir & Singers 6:30-7:30pm Jubilate Dancers 7:30-9:00pm Chancel Choir
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Tuesday	3	9:30am - Moms Connect 1pm - Hutchinson Circle 6:30pm - Girl Scouts		7:30pm - Tuesday Musicale Holiday Program	17	9:30am - Moms Connect 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7pm - Leader Dog Training	Church Office Closed @ Noon 8pm - Carols, Lessons & Candlelight 11pm - Carols & Communion	NEW YEAR'S EVE
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Sunday	1	10:30am - Worship 5:45pm - Youth Group ADVENT BEGINS	8	10:30am - Worship 3pm - Girl Scouts 5:45pm - Youth Group	15 10:30am - Worship	11:45am - Built on the Rock Rehearsal 3pm - OC Chess Club 5:30pm - All-Church Caroling	22 10:30am - Worship 11:45am - Built on the Rock Rehearsal	29 10:30am - Worship