

# Chimes

Connecting with God,  
Connecting with Others,  
Changing Our World With Christ's Love

09.18.22

## UPCOMING IN WORSHIP

September 18, Pastor Jack's message is *Neighborly Ways—A Calling*. Join us at 10:30am, in person or online at [Live.WaterfordCUMC.org](https://Live.WaterfordCUMC.org).

## Dear Church Family,

What a Rally Day! People have been texting and emailing me about how great it was to have Steel Sound (a steel drum band) provide the music for our worship. We celebrated our staff, as most were present and attended the day's festivities. We celebrated Jill Leek's 20

years with us as our children's choir director and John Pierre's 25 years with us as our evening caretaker.

We also took the time to

commemorate the anniversary of 9-11. Over seventy people stayed for our potluck—the first we've had since Covid began. Many enjoyed the visit with Dan and his friends from the Little Creatures Company.

It was great to celebrate the blessing of *koinonia* of our church! As explained in the message, *koinonia* is found in our Greek New Testament and, as with many Greek words, the context in which it is used gives the word its meaning. *Koinonia* means sharing, contribution, fellowship and spiritual communion. The fellowship during yesterday's 2022 Rally Day was wonderful and I want to thank all that made it happen—from our staff that planned the worship service to all the volunteers who worked in the kitchen, grilled the hamburgers and hot dogs and made the day a beautiful success!

As we enter into this program year, we are making plans for some of our cherished programs including Sunday School, Trunk or Treat and our Advent and Christmas traditions. We are also planning for new events and programs including Blessing of the Pets and some new study groups.

I truly believe that we must emerge from the cloud of Covid-19 that has hung over us for over two years. That means we must have the courage to gather—with appropriate safety measures, to be sure—but, we must gather. While we've become accustomed to meeting over the internet and at a distance, we need to remember the importance of fellowship that feeds our souls and how our physical presence with one another bears a greater meaning for us. While I don't want to jeopardize the health of anyone, I recognize the



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emotional, psychological and physical need to be in proximity with one another.

We need to care for those who are not able to meet with us in person, as the church has always reached out and cared for the home-bound. We will also continue to livestream our worship services so that others can safely join us. Livestreaming may be the way we care for each other whether you're staying home when you have the sniffles or something more serious. Wearing masks will be another way we care for each other as we protect ourselves as well.

The fact is, we live in a different world than three years ago. Let us step out into that new world! I look forward to seeing you in worship!

Because of Christ,

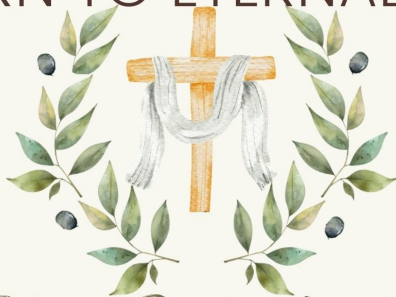
*Pastor Jack*

### Wednesday Evening Message Study

**Wednesdays at 7pm with Pastor Jack beginning in September**

Everyone is invited to this deep dive into the previous week's message. Together we explore the scriptural themes and references and discuss how they apply to our lives and the world around us. This will be a Zoom Study. Contact Pastor Jack (jmannschreck@waterfordcumc.org) for the link to participate.

## BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE



*John Radenbaugh*

December 12, 1934 - August 26, 2022  
Member Since May 9, 1976

Our prayers are with John's wife Nancy, his son John Jr. and his daughter Kara Mandeville.



**American Red Cross**

### Blood Drive September 28th

To give, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use the code **centraluni** to book an appointment.

*Blessing of the Pets*



**Saturday,  
October 1st,  
10am**

Bring your best friend for a special blessing of the pets. There will be treats for the pets and their people, and a variety of animal-themed arts and crafts. Please bring a bag/can of dog or cat food to donate to a shelter.

*Central Cafe Resumes*  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND**



**5:15 - 6:30PM**  
JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

## Bible Journaling with Martha

Thursdays at 10am beginning September 15<sup>th</sup>

Bible journaling allows you to combine your love of God and your creative talents. You will read Scripture and respond to it by writing your thoughts and feelings and creating drawings using markers, watercolor pencils, and embellishments. Books will be provided. Although some art supplies will be available, participants are encouraged to bring their own colored pencils, markers, etc. Sign up with Martha in the back of the Sanctuary after worship.

## Companions in Christ: The Way of Blessedness

Thursdays at 6:30pm beginning September 15<sup>th</sup>

Join Martha Piesko for a nine-week small group study that invites you to cultivate the dispositions of the soul as outlined by Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount. *The Way of Blessedness* guides participants along a path that offers clarity to our way of life and the very life of God's kingdom. A free-will offering will be taken to cover the cost of the books. Sign up with Martha in the back of the Sanctuary after worship.

## Youth Gathering at Pastor Jack's

September 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:45pm

Join us for hot dogs, games, and fellowship. Parents are invited to come at 7pm for a brief meeting to begin organizing for Trunk or Treat.

## CROP Hunger Walk 2022

Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 1:30 pm, Christ Lutheran Church

Hunger is one of the greatest injustices facing our world, but it doesn't have to be. Ending hunger is possible in our lifetime, and you can help make it happen. Walk with Central UMC during the Waterford Area CROP Hunger Walk, raise funds, and take us one step closer to ending hunger once and for all.

To sign up to walk, visit [crophungerwalk.com](http://crophungerwalk.com) and search for the "Waterford Central United Methodist Church" team. Or contact Shannon Taylor at [staylor0304@comcast.net](mailto:staylor0304@comcast.net) for help in registering to walk or to make a donation.

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### HAPPY 80+ BIRTHDAY TO:

- Isaac Robinson, 10/2
- Larry Quick, 10/4
- Russell Jacobson, 10/15
- Virginia Mueller, 10/20
- Beatrice Blomquist, 10/26
- Catharine Hazen, 10/27
- Beverly Lax, 10/27

### HAPPY 50+ ANNIVERSARY TO:

- Roger & Julia Crick, 10/7, 55 yrs.
- James & Cynthia Trosin, 10/21, 50 yrs.
- Don & Monique Payne, 10/24, 53 yrs.





## Sympathies

Our condolences to Sharon Donner on the death of her husband, Richard. Our prayers are with their family and friends.

## Thank You

### Dear Central Scholarship Committee,

Thank you very much for awarding us the Margaret Luther Scholarship. This will help fund our education and we are blessed to be a part of CUMC.

Thanks again,

-Josh and Ashlynn Kuhn

## Address Change

There is a new address for the Hinsberg family (James, Cheryl, Sara, and Jason): 1692 Island Dr., Highland, MI 48356.

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**Central's Facebook Page** - <https://www.facebook.com/waterfordcumc>. Find recordings of previous services, faith development videos and daily inspirations.

**Central's YouTube Channel** - <https://www.youtube.com/waterfordcumc/>. Find Pastor Jack's weekly devotionals, recordings of past worship services and more.

**Central's Vimeo Channel** - <https://www.vimeo.com/waterfordcumc/>. Find recordings of past services and music and dance recordings. Past recordings of services can be found at <https://vimeo.com/waterfordcumc/MM-DD-YY> (month, day and year of the service).

**Central's Facebook Group** - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/waterfordcumc/>. A private group that allows members to support one another with posts and inspiration.

**Central's Website** - <https://www.WaterfordCUMC.org>. Find recordings of sermons, upcoming events and information, and the online Connection Card.

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The deadline for articles for the next bi-monthly *Chimes* is Thursday, September 22nd.