



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

09.04.22

UPCOMING IN WORSHIP

September 4, Labor Day Sunday.
Pastor Jack's message is *The Important Over The Immediate!*
Join us at 10:30am, in person or
online at
[Live.WaterfordCUMC.org](https://www.waterfordcumc.org).

Fall Programming

There are many activities planned for this fall.

Rally Day!

Sunday, September 11th

Join us for a special worship service celebrating the staff of Central, with a church potluck afterward. The church will provide hamburgers and hot dogs, so bring a dish or dessert to share.

After the potluck, Dan Briere from Little Creatures Company will join us with his collection of non-venomous snakes, lizards, large invertebrates, amphibians, small mammals, and tropical birds. Dan will talk about each animal's unique history and habits in an age-appropriate manner. Many of the animals can be carefully touched when appropriate, and photos may be taken.

For Rally Day worship students are encouraged to bring their backpacks to church for a special blessing as we begin a new school year.

Invite a friend as we celebrate getting "back to church" after the long days of summer.

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.

Bible Journaling with Martha

Thursdays at 10am beginning September 15th

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. A sign-up sheet will also be available outside the office.

Companions in Christ: The Way of Blessedness

Thursdays at 6:30pm beginning September 15th

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

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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. A sign-up sheet will also be available outside the office.

Central Cinema Begins

Saturday, September 10th at 6pm

Join us for a free movie followed by a short discussion. The season will kick off with *American Underdog*, the inspirational true story of Kurt Warner, who overcame years of challenges to become a Super Bowl champion, and Hall of Fame quarterback.

Youth Gathering at Pastor Jack's

September 18th 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.

Blessing of the Pets

Saturday, October 1st at 10am

Pastor Jack and Martha Piesko will host a blessing of the pets. This will be lots of fun! There will be treats for the pets and their people. Please bring a bag/can of dog or cat food to donate to a shelter to bless the lives of homeless animals.

Sunday School Begins

October 2nd During Worship

Sunday School classes will begin for children in preschool–5th grade.

Chair Yoga

Chair yoga will resume on Monday, September 12th at 10:30am. Chair yoga is open to the community, so invite a friend.

CROP Hunger Walk 2022

Sunday, September 25th, 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 and search for the "Waterford Central United Methodist Church" team. Or contact Shannon Taylor at staylor0304@comcast.net for help in registering to walk or to make a donation.



**Adult Choir and
Bells start on
September 15th**



**American
Red Cross**

**Blood Drive
September 28th**

To give, visit redcrossblood.org and use the code `centraluni` to book an appointment.

Thank You

To everyone who gave during last week's blood drive. 34 units of life-saving blood were collected.



**The office will be closed
Monday, September 5th
for Labor Day**

Thank You

Dear Central Church,

Barbara Johnston called to say thank you for the cards and calls. She misses her church family and hopes to see everyone soon.

Dear CUMC Church Family,

We appreciate so much the outpouring of sympathy from Purple Threads and Caring Core, and so many others who were there for us in prayer and expressions of support in the loss of our dear brother-in-law, Henry Schaup. We miss his presence with us so deeply. Our family has suffered a great loss.

-John and Joyce Merle and Jamie Schaup

Dear Central Church,

Thank you for your donation of \$500 made on 7/26/2022. Your support allows the children and families we serve to rewrite their stories and envision a more peaceful future. Your thoughtful gift impacts the many children and families that we serve each year. Because of our amazing community of supporters, last year MCHS was able to serve more individuals than ever before in our 105-year history!

-Kevin Roach, CEO, Methodist Children's Home Society

Sympathies

Our condolences to Kevin and Heather Riley on the passing of his mother, Audrey Riley. Our prayers are with Kevin and Heather and Audrey's grandchildren Megan and Shawn Riley.

Address Change

There is a new address for Marian Hansen: 12925 Dewhurst Circle, Carmel, IN 46032.

Connect with Central

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.

Online Worship - <https://Live.WaterfordCUMC.org>.

The deadline for articles for the next bi-monthly *Chimes* is Thursday, September 8th.