



Chimes

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

07.13.25

UPCOMING IN WORSHIP

Sunday, July 13th. Pastor Jack kicks off our *Women of the Bible* II Message Series with Eve: *Created in God's Image*. Worship is in person or online at Live.WaterfordCUMC.org

Dear Church Family,

I want to thank Dr. Aran Kim, our music director, for providing a wonderful message this past Sunday, July 6. Aran returned from two weeks of vacation, rejuvenated and ready to share her amazing testimony. Thank you so much Aran!

I know that many of you have already taken time away for a vacation, and Ruth and I will soon be taking off to enjoy a vacation that we've planned for almost two years. Our Summer Message Series, *Women of the Bible – Part Two*, will continue with two women providing the messages while we're away. Pastor Deb Cox will be preaching twice this summer and Jess Jurney, one of our Youth Advisers, will be preaching a message as well. I welcome these two fine women to share their messages as well as their perspectives. It seems so appropriate to share the pulpit with Pastor Deb and Jess during a series of messages on women of the Bible.

I also want to share with you that if you have a pastoral need while I am away, please call the church office, and our Administrative Assistant, Margaret Hazlett, will guide your request to one of a few clergy who are covering for me while I am gone.

Enjoy this time, enjoy the outdoors, enjoy vacation—and when you can, I hope you'll join us for worship either in person or online—as part of your Sabbath rest! As always, I look forward to seeing you in worship.

Because of Christ,

Pastor Jack

Summer Message Series Planned

This is a reminder that our summer message series, *Women of the Bible (Part Two)* is all planned. This second series will be eight weeks long and will begin July 13. The schedule will be:

July 13 – Eve	August 10 – Sarai (Sarah)
July 20 – Martha and Mary	August 17 – Anna
July 27 – Esther	August 24 – Delilah
August 3 – Solome	August 31 – The Samaritan Woman at the Well

Come join us as we explore these remarkable women of our scriptures!

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Hands-On Volunteer Opportunity

Wednesday, July 23rd, 9:30am—4pm

Join us for a day of volunteering at Oakland HOPE in Pontiac. We will shop for their Food Pantry clients and load boxes of food into their trunks. Depending on the number of volunteers, some folks may be asked to move to the Thrift Store side of their operation to sort and organize donations. If you plan to join us, dress in layers, as the food pantry is a cool building. Suitable dress includes t-shirts, sweatshirts, jeans, and closed-toe shoes (no sandals).

We will meet at Central at 9:15 to carpool to Oakland HOPE, arriving shortly before 10am. This will allow time for name tags, vests, a group photo, training, and a quick tour before they open at 11am. Lunch will be provided by the Oakland HOPE Manna-volunteers.

To participate, please sign up in the Narthex. If you have any questions, contact Robin Danek (rdanek@waterfordcumc.org or 248-681-0040). To learn more about Oakland HOPE, watch this video: [Reimagine HOPE](#).

Mark Your Calendar for Summer Family Fun

Coach Patty has a summer full of fun planned for Central's kids and youth, so save these dates!

Adventure Camp for Kids (K-5th Grade)

July 14–17, 9-11am, Cost: \$5

A week of fun and adventure, from basic first aid for kids to camping, fishing, hiking and exploring God's great big creation.

Movin' and Groovin' in Faith (Ages 3-6 yrs.)

July 21-24, 9-11am, Cost \$5

Grab your running shoes, wear comfy clothes and get ready to get active in faith!

Youth Trips and Activities (6th–12th grades)

- July 11-13–Lake Michigan Camping Adventure. Kayaking, camping, and swimming. Cost \$30
- July 19, 9am–Hike the Paint Creek Trail. Pack a lunch.
- August 9, 9am-3pm–Carpenter Lake Nature Preserve Outing.

For more information or to register for any of these great events, visit the [Upcoming Events section of our website](#). Adults are welcome as volunteers and/or chaperones for any of these activities or trips. Contact Coach Patty for more info.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY 80+ BIRTHDAY TO:

- Barbara Jacobson, 8/2
- Marvin Jewell, 8/10
- Sally Kuhn, 8/11
- Joyce Merle, 8/19
- Shirley Riffe, 8/19
- Larry Payne, 8/20
- JoAnn Fedison, 8/24
- Maurice Grant, 8/27
- Wiley Loveless, 8/29

HAPPY 50+ ANNIVERSARY TO:

- Glenn & Becky Behler, 8/9, 50 yrs.
- Andrew & Pamela Gustafson, 8/9 56 yrs.
- Randall & Debra Cooper, 8/18, 53 yrs.
- Don & Diana Carter, 8/26, 58 yrs.

Softball Schedule



7/7 – 6:15pm – Clarkston Eagles*

7/14 – 7:30pm – 1st Missionary

7/21 – 6:15pm – St. Trinity

7/28 – 7:30pm – Clarkston Eagles

8/4 – TBD – Make Up Game

8/9 – TBD – Tournament

*Hot dogs at the ballpark night

New Hope Bible Church -
8643 Sashabaw Rd., Clarkston

St. Trinity Lutheran Church -
7925 Sashabaw Rd., Clarkston

First Missionary Church -
4832 Clintonville Rd., Clarkston

Clarkston Eagles - 5640 Maybee Rd.,
Clarkston



Little Sprouts Fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings

All Day Wednesday, July 16th

Join us at Buffalo Wild Wings in Waterford for a fundraiser to support Little Sprouts Early Childhood Center. To participate, simply dine at Buffalo Wild Wings on July 16th and mention the Little Sprouts promotion when you order. 20% of each order will go to Little Sprouts.



July 13 – Hay Day

July 20 – Play N' Pray

July 27 – Bugs & Honey, Oh My!

August 3 – Play N' Pray

August 10 – Shipwrecked

August 17 – KidVenture
Resumes



Waterford Youth Assistance 5th Annual Shoe Drive

Once again Central Church will be a drop-off location for the WYA Shoe Drive. Drop your gently worn or new shoes (men's and women's) into the collection box in the Chapel hallway. Collected shoes are used to support micro-enterprise vendors in developing nations through Fund2Orgs.

From the Bookkeeper

Second quarter giving statements are going out soon via email (only). If you would like a statement, please make sure that the office has a current email address. The office line is 248.681.0040.

Thank You

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the generous love gift for my retirement! I'm truly touched by your kindness and overwhelmed by your love and support.

It's been an absolute joy to serve and grow alongside you. Even though I'm retiring, I'll always be part of this amazing family. Thank you for making this journey so special.

With all my love and gratitude,

-Rachel Pierre

July Youth Group

July 11-13 – Youth Camping Trip
to the Pines Campground in
Luther MI

July 13 – GAGA Ball at 5:45pm

July 19 – Paint Creek Trail Hike
at 9am

July 20 – Youth Service Night

July 27 – Campfire Cookout

**Join us every 3rd Tuesday of
the month at 1pm in the
Parlor for**



**Folks can work on personal
projects, crafts, play games or
just socialize with friends.**

For more information, contact
Cathy Hazen.

The next issue of the *Chimes* will be dated July 27th. Please have any articles submitted by Thursday, July 17th.

Thank You Coach Patty and All of the VBS Volunteers



Top Left: Myke Robson and Erica Kin provided leadership during the opening and closing.

Top Right: Jewelry making in the Marketplace.

Middle Left: Ernie Bauer brought a few furry friends so the kids could learn about how animals are cared for.

Middle Right: Brickmakers Shawn, Jaeden, and Jackson hard at work making bricks for the pyramid they built.

Lower Right: Pastor Jack tells the story of Joseph.