



## UPCOMING IN WORSHIP

Sunday, July 27th. Pastor Jack is on vacation. Jess Journey will deliver the message *Women of the Bible II: Martha & Mary*.

Worship is in person or online at [Live.WaterfordCUMC.org](http://Live.WaterfordCUMC.org)

## Dear Friends,

It's been a busy summer and we've had a lot of fun. From VBS in June to our Adventure Camp last week, families have had a great time learning about God and the Bible, not to mention getting lots of practical, hands-on learning.

Our VBS this year was *Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace*. It was an evening event and families were encouraged to attend together. The Egyptian-theme program featured a marketplace where they could make jewelry, interact with live animals and learn about their care, print their name in hieroglyphics at the Art Shop, learn about embalming (in a fun way), play Egyptian games in the Toy Shop, make bricks to build a pyramid and sing, dance and play in the Pyramid Playground.

We also had mission projects during VBS. We tied fleece blankets which were donated locally through Operation Kid-to-Kid, a service mission for kids. We also collected new and gently used coats to give to Micah 6 Communities, and we collected funds that went to Central's Food Pantry. So, families had a lot of opportunity to learn about the importance of giving back and supporting one another.

On the final day we constructed an actual pyramid using the bricks we built and we also created a virtual pyramid of "God Sightings" during the closing ceremony. This helped families look around them and appreciate the beauty and wonder of God's Creation.

During Adventure Camp for Kids, which was last week, fourteen K-5th graders spent four half-days in Bible study and also learned about Weird Animals (day 1), participated in a Wacky Olympics (day 2), learned First Aid and Camp Stuff (day 3) and practiced farming skills on Hay Day (day 4). The kids had great fun and got good and messy.

Our youth have also been busy this summer during Youth Group, enjoying activities ranging from movies to hiking to playing gaga ball. We also took an overnight trip to Cedar Point on possibly the hottest, most humid weekend of the summer, but a good time was had by all. We had youth participate as shopkeepers at VBS; it was a big project and they were fantastic! The youth are also tending the berry garden on-site, which will provide fresh berries for our food pantry. The garden is Delayna Jade's Gold Award for Girl Scouts.

As I'm sure you know by now, I am headed back to Colorado at the end of July. I've enjoyed working with everyone at Central, helping to revitalize your family ministry during my two years here. I've recruited several committed volunteers that I know will continue this ministry while you find someone new to take over and keep the momentum strong! You all hold a special place in my heart and I hope that if you're ever in Colorado you'll look me up! Thanks for the opportunity to work with all of you to build God's kingdom!

***Coach Patty***

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## Love Gift for Coach Patty

We will be collecting a love offering to show Coach Patty our appreciation for her two years with Central reviving our family ministry. If you would like to make a contribution please label checks and envelopes with "Coach Patty Love Offering" and put them in the collection plate or drop them off in the church office. **Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> will be the final day to give so that we have time to generate a check before Coach Patty leaves for Colorado.** Thank you for your generosity.



## 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.



## PrimeTime Visit to Dutton Farm

**Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:30am**

Join us as we take a tour of Dutton Farm in Rochester Hills. Dutton Farm provides daily activities for developmentally challenged individuals, including classes, art, workforce development and community involvement. Dutton Farm currently serves 150 adults.

We will meet at Central at 10:30am to carpool to Dutton Farm. Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan to join us. For further information, please contact Velette Svenkesen at 248-674-3586 or 248-494-3139.

## Softball Schedule



7/28 – 7:30pm – Clarkston Eagles

8/4 – TBD – Make Up Game

8/9 – TBD – Tournament

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



July 27 – Bugs & Honey, Oh My!

August 3 – Play N' Pray

August 10 – Shipwrecked

August 17 – KidVenture  
Resumes



## Youth Group Campfire Cookout

July 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5:45pm





Cradle Roll

# Welcome!

## Aidan Joseph Beedle

Congratulations to proud parents David & Alaina Beedle  
and grandfather Fred Beedle.

— AND —

## Paul Alan Clements

Congratulations to proud parents Emma & Brad Clements,  
grandparents Matt & Julie Berg, and great-grandmother  
Sue Waters.



### Thank You

#### Dear Church Family,

Thank you for awarding me with a scholarship again this year. I appreciate your continuous help towards my education goals.

-Matt Sullivan

**The next issue of the *Chimes* will be dated August 10th. Please have any articles submitted by Thursday, July 31st.**



### More Summer Fun!

**Top Left:** Youth overnight to Cedar Point

**Top Right:** Faith Night at Jimmy John's Field

**Right:** Adventure Camp kids have fun with the egg scramble game.

