



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

10.19.25

UPCOMING IN WORSHIP

Sunday, October 19th. Pastor Jack continues our Generosity Campaign message series with *We Gather...To Celebrate Life*. Worship is in person or online at Live.WaterfordCUMC.org

Dear Central Church Family,

We are two weeks into our pre-Consecration Sunday series of messages entitled *We Gather...*, where we explore some of the reasons that we, as the church of Jesus Christ, gather together. It is essential for a church to understand that we are in ministry together! We encounter God together. We fellowship with each other...together! We seek to meet the needs of our world together. The letter below is from Myke Robson who is the Chair of our Generosity Campaign this fall. I am excited for this campaign as we plan for our ministry in 2026. Thank you, Myke, for your leadership of our Campaign Team and thank you, Central Church family, for receiving his message to you!

See you in Worship!

Because of Christ,

Pastor Jack

Consecration Sunday Is Coming

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's finance committee has selected the Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. Consecration Sunday encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member who completes an Estimate of Giving Card does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

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We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and governing board members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thank you in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Governing Board Chairperson,

Myke Robson

Love Gift for Aran

As Pastor Jack mentioned during the service last week, we will be collecting a love offering for Aran, whose last Sunday will be October 19th. **If you would like to contribute (by Wednesday the 15th, please)**, label checks and envelopes with "Aran Kim Love Offering" and drop them off in the church office. Thank you for your generosity.

Central Is Hiring!

We are currently seeking a Choir Director and Organist/Accompanist. This can be one or two part-time positions, depending on the candidates' skills. Please let your friends, family and colleagues know about this opening. To apply, visit the Careers section of our website.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY 80+ BIRTHDAY TO:

- Bruce Hazen, 11/8
- Ruth Greene, 11/8
- John Nelson, 11/11
- Wilbur Meadows, 11/13
- Marilyn Bruce, 11/15
- Doris Quick, 11/17
- Susan Miller, 11/19
- Eleanor Snyder, 11/23

HAPPY 50+ ANNIVERSARY TO:

- Roy & Sandra Gay, 11/4 - 53 yrs.
- Steve & Sandi Krupa, 11/28 - 56 yrs.
- Tim & Linda Taylor, 11/28 - 56 yrs.

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](#).



TRUNK OR TREAT

OCT. 26 4-6PM

HELP US HOST A GREAT EVENT. SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX TO BE A PART OF THE FUN, AND MAKE SURE TO INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

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All Day Wednesday, October 15th

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 October 15th and mention the Little Sprouts promotion when you order. 20% of each order will go to Little Sprouts.

Rose Memorial Sunday

November, 2nd during 10:30am Worship

It is the tradition of Central Church to honor our saints who have passed on to eternal life in the past year. As in previous years, we will do this with a special time of remembrance during 10:30am worship. If you would like to have your loved one honored, **please provide a photo of them to the office by Monday, October 27th**. For more information, contact the church office at 248-681-0040.

From the Bookkeeper

Third-quarter statements are going out soon, so watch for those in your email. If you are not receiving these statements, please contact the church office at 248-681-0040 to make sure we have your (correct) email address. Quarterly statements are not being printed and mailed, but if you would like to have a statement mailed, please contact our bookkeeper Cassandra at bookkeeper@waterfordcumc.org. Thank you.

The next issue of the *Chimes* will be dated **November 2nd**. Please have any articles submitted to rdanek@waterfordcumc.org by **Thursday, October 23rd**.



Kids' Ministries

October 16 - Movin' & Groovin' in Faith KidFit @ 4:30pm

October 19 - The Great Deception @ 10:45am

October 23 - Movin' & Groovin' in Faith KidFit @ 4:30pm

October 26 - Brothers Again! @ 10:45am

October 26 - Trunk or Treat from 4-6pm

Youth Group

Sundays, 5:45–7:30pm

October 19 - Pumpkin Carving and Bonfire

October 24 - Trunk or Treat Lock-in at 6pm

October 25 - Trunk or Treat Lock-in ends at 12pm

October 26 - Trunk or Treat from 4-6pm

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE



Joyce Irene Clarkson

February 12, 1930–August 16, 2025

Member Since March 22, 1964