

# Notes from Today's Worship

# Welcome

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Central is a family church, with generations of families making their home here. Central is also a mission church, sharing the love and good news of the gospel with one another, our neighborhood, our community, and the world, as you will see throughout our ministries, events, and announcements for this week. We would love to be your church home, but if you are just here for the day, we pray God's blessings on your journey!

## **GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

**Sunday Worship:** 8:30 a.m. Contemporary & 10:30 a.m. Traditional

**Sunday School:** (Classes for all ages) 9:30 a.m.

**Prayer:** Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Emmaus Prayer Group - Parlor

**Chancel Choir:** Wednesday 6:15 p.m. - Choir Room

**Hand Bell Choir:** Wednesday 7:30 p.m. - Hand Bell Room

**Youth:** Wednesday 5:30 p.m. - Youth Room

**Quilting:** Thursday 9:00 a.m. - FaHoLo Room

## **NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES THIS WEEK**

**Food Pantry:** Monday & Thursday 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Rack Shack:** (Used items/Clothes) Monday & Thursday 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Tutoring:** Tuesday & Thursday 3:30-5:30 p.m.

**Power:** (Neighborhood Children 5-11) Wednesday 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

## **MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Today 5:00 p.m. Shalom Neighborhood Dinner - FLC

Monday 6:30 p.m. Charge Conference – Trinity UMC

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Church Staff Meeting – Church Office

6:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting -- Library

Wednesday 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Friends – Trinity Room

6:10 p.m. Romans Study -- Library

Thursday 6:00 p.m. Evansville Chess Club – Nolte Room

Friday 6:00 p.m. 4 C'ers Christmas Party – Garden Room

Saturday 12:00 p.m. N. A. Meeting – Library

Sunday 6:00 p.m. Family Advent Night – Garden Room



**DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL**

**Silvia Collins (River Pointe)**

**Lillian Alderson (Health South)**

**PRAY FOR THE CENTER CITY CHURCH CLUSTER**

Central, Fairlawn, St. John's and Trinity UMC, plus St. Lucas UCC.

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| <b>Budget Envelope Giving Last Week</b> ..... | <b>\$4,655</b>                       |
| <b>Giving Year-To-Date</b> .....              | <b>\$305,511</b>                     |
| <b>Needed Weekly \$6,680</b> .....            | <b>Needed Year-to-Date \$313,960</b> |

**OUR SYMPATHY** to Irina Partello and family on the death of her husband, Jim, on Monday, November 23. A graveside service was held Wednesday, November 25 at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Richland, IN.

**FAMILY ADVENT NIGHT**

Mark your calendars for **Family Advent Night**— a great way to start the Advent Season. We'll have Santa with us for pictures, plenty to eat, crafts for young and old and beautiful music! There will be games for the little ones and freshly baked cookies to decorate. Something for all ages!! Just bring a finger food to share and come join the party on **December 6<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00-7:30 p.m., in the Garden Room.

**CHARGE CONFERENCE TOMORROW AT TRINITY**

Our Charge Conference will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow, November 30 with our other Cluster Churches. District Superintendent Glenn Howell is presiding and all are invited. Members of the Church Council may vote on the annual church business during this time, and so are encouraged to attend. (The Church Council meeting previously scheduled for that night will be held instead at 6:00 p.m. December 14. The Finance Committee meeting that was to be November 18 will be at 6:00 p.m., this Tuesday, December 1.)

**FIFTH SUNDAY CHANGE**

Change collected today will go to the Santa Claus Campground Trust to help maintain the campground. Thanks for giving, Central!

**CHURCH PURCHASED CAR FOR PASTOR WILLIAM**

Please contact Pastor Joe, if you would like to donate toward the used car purchased for William Mpere-Gyekye that allows him to fulfill the duties of his chaplaincy residency.

**YOU MAY RETURN YOUR COMMITMENTS TODAY**

You may still return a 2010 Stewardship Commitment. Cards are on the back table and stands beside the Sanctuary exits. Please place completed cards in the offering plate.

**WE'RE MAKING CHANGES TO WORSHIP AT 10:30**

Starting today, the sliding doors between the Sanctuary and the Narthex and Parlor will be closed before 10:30 worship, to enhance our sense of community and worship within the Sanctuary. If you have a special need (seating, etc.), please bring this to the attention of Amanda Schreiber, Brandon Daugherty, Mike Warneke or Pastor Joe. If someone needs to sit in the Parlor or Narthex for a while during the service, they will be able to hear worship via the speakers in those areas. We are also shortening the Gathering Time with fewer oral announcements and collecting prayer requests on the Prayer Cards during the prayer hymn.

**BRING BOXES FOR PANTRY DECEMBER 6**

Next Sunday, December 6, you are invited to bring one or more boxes of staple food items for distribution through our food pantry. You may also write a check to "Central UMC" and clearly write on it "Food Pantry".

**LOAVES & FISHES AND POINSETTIAS**

Remember your loved one(s) with a gift to Central's Loaves & Fishes Ministry or with a pink, white or red poinsettia (\$10.00). Wednesday, December 9, is the last day to order a poinsettia. More order forms are available on the back table. Thanks.

**U M YOUTH HOMEHOLIDAY OPPORTUNITIES**

Central members and organized groups have many opportunities to provide support to the Youth Home during the holiday season. Please prayerfully consider answering the call for one of the following:

- Run a collection drive for supplies or gifts
- Invite the girls to a holiday event at our church
- Visit the Youth Home for caroling
- Take a special offering to be sent to the Youth Home
- Purchase items from their Holiday Wish List (posted on the bulletin board)
- Sponsor a recreational outing for the girls during their holiday break from school (movie tickets, skating passes, Fired up party, lunch out, etc.)
- Host a Live and Learn activity during their holiday break

If you or your group is interested in pursuing an opportunity, please contact Kim White at 459-5153.