

## PRAYER LUNCH

We will have a Prayer Lunch on Saturday, February 20 at 12:00 p.m. in the Trinity Room. We encourage others to join us. We will order box lunches from the Old Tyme Deli on 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. for \$6 each. During Lent we plan to have times for prayer in the Narthex. We will discuss this at the lunch to find the time best suited for all who are interested. Please join us for lunch, prayer and fellowship. Carol Crabtree, Central Prayer Team Leader

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We have a need for someone to volunteer to sit with a church member while her husband works. She will need someone to sit with her 4 hours a day, four days a week. We may need more than one volunteer a week depending on the volunteers' schedules. Please contact Carol Crabtree (402-1809) or Lisa (424-3574) in the Church Office.

## CHILI COOK OFF WINNER

And the winner is.....Ron Counts. We have a new winner of the chili cook off which was Sunday, January 24, 2010. Please note: The Messenger was printed before the error was realized.

## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY CHANGE COLLECTION TODAY

Today is the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of January. All change put in the offering plates today will be donated to Santa Claus Church Camp. Our next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday change collection will be May 30.

## SWEET SLEEP COFFEE, TEA AND COCOA SALES AND BLACK GOLD FILM

Tyler White, Alexis and Danielle Meece, and Michael Warneke will be accompanying the Sweet Sleep team to Kampala, Uganda from June 11-21 this coming summer. As part of their fundraising goals they will be selling coffee, tea and cocoa through a partnership with Equal Exchange fair traded coffees and the United Methodist Committee on Relief. These individuals will be selling coffee, tea and cocoa following both services on January 31 and February 7th. You can also place orders in Mike's office throughout the work week as well. Boxes of tea will be \$6, a tin of cocoa is \$9 and all bags of coffee (purchased in drip grind or whole bean varieties) will be \$10. All profits from these sales will help this group in raising support for their trip to Uganda, and the beds they will provide for the orphans that they will be serving. All coffee, tea and cocoa will be ready for pick-up on Sunday, February 21. We will also be showing the film Black Gold (which sheds light on fair trade products and the coffee system that leaves its farmers poor and on the brink of survival), during the distribution day in the Garden Room at 11:45 a.m. on Sunday, February 21.

# 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-oriented 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 – St. Lucas

Monday 5:00 p.m. Nurture Team Meeting – Church Office

6:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting – Church Office

Tuesday 4:00 p.m. Mission Team Meeting – Library

6:00 p.m. Staff-Parish Relations Mtg. – Library

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

Thursday 6:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting – Library

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

3:00 p.m. Herring Family – Finke Hall Gym Room

Sunday 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Lunch – Trinity Room

5:00 p.m. Young Adult Super Bowl Party – Ferris Home



## DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

Rev. Ralph Miller (River Pointe)

### PRAY FOR THE CENTER CITY CHURCH CLUSTER

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

Budget Envelope Giving Last Week .....	\$4,844
Giving Year-To-Date .....	\$28,031
Needed Weekly \$6,552 .....	Needed Year-to-Date \$25,824

The ALTAR FLOWERS today were given in honor of Norman & Jane Schmitt's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

### WELCOME NANCY REID TO THE PULPIT

We are privileged to have Nancy Reid, our Director of Family Ministries for the past 12 years, preaching today.

### HAITI EARTHQUAKE ASSISTANCE

Go to the website of United Methodist Communications ([www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org)) to get timely and relevant information on how United Methodists are responding to the tragic earthquake in Haiti and how we can support the efforts. Support for relief efforts can be made to Haiti Emergency, UMCOR Advance # 418325 at any time over the phone, via their website ([www.umcor.com](http://www.umcor.com)), by mail or through Central by making a check to "Central UMC" and noting on it "Haiti." 100% of gifts to UMCOR through the Advance support the designated project.

### BRING PAPER GOODS FOR PANTRY FEBRUARY 7

This month's "First-Sunday Pantry Collection" item is "Paper goods." On February 7, bring toilet paper, etc. for our food pantry. If you prefer to give money, please write a check to "Central UMC" and write on it "Food Pantry").

### CONFIRMATION

Our organizational meeting for confirmation will be next Sunday, February 7th following 10:30 worship. Students will receive their materials and meet their mentors. Lunch will also be provided for students, mentors, and families. If you have a 7th or 8th grader and have not been contacted about confirmation, please call Nancy in the church office or Suzy Daugherty at home.

### SPECIAL CHARGE CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 8

We will have a special Charge Conference at the beginning of the next regularly scheduled Church Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8 to elect a replacement Trustee.

### PASTOR JOE RETURNS

Pastor Joe returns from vacation late today and will be in tomorrow.

## MARRIAGE RENEWAL OPPORTUNITY ON – FEBRUARY 14

With Valentine's Day falling on a Sunday this year, we will be offering the possibility for you and your spouse to renew their vows following both services. We want to honor the covenant of marriage on that Sunday, and celebrate the many grace-filled marriages here at Central. The Nurture committee will also be hosting a small cake and punch reception following both services.

### UNITED METHODIST YOUTH HOME GOES CO-ED

Effective tomorrow February 1, the United Methodist Youth Home in Evansville will open its doors to teen boys in need. Until now, the home housed only teen girls and their children. With the numerous budget cuts and expenses related to caring for the residents, the UMYH struggles to keep the census numbers at a level to meet their overhead expenses. By including placement of males, they hope to maintain a more consistent number of residents and fill the need to offer a safe haven for boys at risk. The male and female housing units will be segregated, across campus from each other.

Because all of the UMYH supplies are mostly geared toward girls, there is an **immediate, specific need for the following items:**

**Twin sheets for teen boys**

**Twin blankets for teen boys**

**Towels and Washcloths for males**

**Men's toiletries; such as deodorant, shampoo, and body wash**

**Shaving gel and disposable razors**

In addition, due to the current financial struggle, the UMYH has been forced to cut costs wherever possible. In the past, there was a pizza party on Wednesday evening for all residents who had no disciplinary or behavioral issues for the week. Unfortunately, this can no longer be offered. In an effort to try to reward positive behavior, the UMYH is **now seeking donations of individually wrapped snack items and 2 liter soft drinks to offer the residents who qualify.** Other initiatives that will have to be discontinued are the purchase of a birthday cake and one gift for any resident with a birthday. Also seasonal goody bags for Halloween, Valentine's Day, etc. can no longer be offered.

Please consider potential support activities with your Central Sunday School classes, committees, etc. for the UMYH. **Donations of needed items or sponsoring/conducting an activity on site** with the girls or boys are always a huge hit with them. If you are interested in offering any type of support or have donations of goods, please contact Kim White at 459-5153.