

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RYAN SEATON CONCERT – OCTOBER 3

Ryan Seaton will be in concert next Sunday, October 3 at 6:00 p.m. at Christian Fellowship Church. Tickets are \$10 and available at CFC, The Vineyard and IMC Concepts. Ryan, who sang at Central as a high school student and came back to sing for us in July, is now a Christian music solo artist. See posters for more details.

U.E. BRINGS IN KITE RUNNER AUTHOR -- OCTOBER 21

Khaled Hosseini, author of *The Kite Runner* and *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, is coming to Evansville on October 21. He will speak at the Aiken Theatre at the Centre at 7:00 p.m., as part of a shared event between the UE Institute for Global Enterprise in Indiana International Speaker Series and the Evansville Celebration of Diversity Distinguished Lecture Series. The event is free and open to the public.

APPLE FEST AT CENTRAL – OCTOBER 30

Weekday Christian Education will have its 17th annual Apple Fest in our Family Life Center on October 30. A fried chicken dinner, handmade gifts (even from as far away as Ghana and Burma), baked goods and apple butter are among the things that they are offering from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. that Saturday. There are tickets available to purchase in the Church Office. This fundraiser supports after school Christian education for 3rd and 4th grade students in the EVSC.

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. If you are here just 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.
Chancel Choir: Wednesday 6:15 p.m. - Choir Room
Hand Bell Choir: Wednesday 7:30 p.m. - Hand Bell Room
Prayer: Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Emmaus Prayer Group - Parlor
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.
Youth: Wednesday 5:30 p.m.
Tutoring: Tuesday & Thursday 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Power: (Neighborhood Children ages 5-11) Wednesday 4:00-6:00 p.m.

MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 26 – OCTOBER 2

Sunday	8:00 a.m. Kid's Club Lock-In Ends 1:30 p.m. Membership Orientation – Library 5:00 p.m. Shalom Neighborhood Meal – St. Lucas
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting – Church Office
Wednesday	5:00 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study – Trinity Room 6:00 p.m. Committee on Nominations – Library
Thursday	6:00 p.m. Worship Team – Library 6:00 p.m. Fatherhood Initiative – Garden Room/Tunnels
Friday	6:00 p.m. Ford Wedding Rehearsal – Sanctuary 7:00 p.m. Ford Rehearsal Dinner – Garden Room
Saturday	6:00 a.m. FLC Kitchen – Schmitt Catering

MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS (continued)

12:00 p.m. N. A. Meeting – Library
1:00 p.m. Ford Wedding – Sanctuary
8:00 p.m. N. A. Meeting – Trinity Room



PRAY FOR THE CENTER CITY CHURCH CLUSTER

When you pray for Central, remember to pray for the other churches in our Center City Cluster: Fairlawn UMC, St. John’s UMC, St. Lucas UCC and Trinity UMC.

Budget Envelope Giving Last Week	\$4,494
Needed Weekly	\$6,456
Giving Year-To-Date	\$233,168
Needed Year-to-Date	\$245,328

OUR SYMPATHY goes to the family of Rev. Ralph Miller who passed away Saturday, September 18. His funeral was Thursday, September 23 at Central. Entombment was in Park Lawn Mausoleum.

THANKS to all our Central Friends who attended the prayer service for Robin Evernham and those who prayed at home during that time. Your love and support has been and continues to be felt. Thank you to Pastor Joe for his participation during the prayer service as well.

The Evernhams, Rycrofts and Lynchs

BRING PAPER FOR PANTRY – OCTOBER 3

This next month’s “First-Sunday Collection” item is “Paper Goods.” On October 3, bring in paper items for our pantry. You may also give by cash or check (to “Central UMC” noting “Food Pantry”).

MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION CLASS TODAY

Any adult interested in becoming a member of Central Church and/or wanting to know more about the United Methodist Church and the meaning of membership is invited to a Membership Orientation led by Rev. Easley today at 1:30 p.m. in the Library. Come to the Finke Hall doors on Mary Street. A time will be arranged to join the church, for those who wish to.

US CLASS BANQUET

The yearly banquet of the US Class will be Tuesday, October 12 at 12 Noon in the Garden Room. Reservations are requested by Sunday, October 10. Please call 963-3400 or 303-4105.

ENOUGH: DISCOVERING JOY THROUGH SIMPLICITY AND GENEROSITY

Today we begin a worship emphasis called “*Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity.*” Some Sunday School classes are also doing a study on this same theme. Over 4 weeks, we will look at some of the financial challenges facing us as a nation and examine our own spending, saving, and giving habits. In addition to exploring biblical principles of financial management, we will learn ways to assess our financial situation and develop a financial plan that will allow us to experience the true joy that comes through simplicity and generosity. At the end of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of giving for the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments on two Sundays, October 24 & 31.

PRESENTATION ON UMC GIVING - OCTOBER 4

What does the “tithe” in our church budget support? It supports the conference budget, one-third of which goes to general church apportionments to support the mission and ministry of the UMC globally. You are invited to learn more about this through a 90-minute visual presentation at McCutchanville Community UMC at 1:00 p.m. Monday, October 4. This will be led by Rev. Kenneth Sloane of UM Communications. Two Indiana Conference leaders will also be there.

**CHURCH VOTE ON WORSHIP RECOMMENDATIONS
OCTOBER 10**

The Church Council has endorsed the recommendations of the Worship Study Task Force and recommends a church vote. Our District Superintendent has arranged for a Church Conference at 11:45 a.m. on Sunday, October 10 after a combined worship service at 10:30 a.m. There will be no 8:30 service that day, but Sunday School will meet as usual at 9:30 a.m. Everyone professing member (formerly called “full member”) of the church who is present may vote.

FALL FESTIVAL SIGNUPS CONTINUE

The West Side Nut Clubs 89th annual Fall Festival is fast approaching. Those of you who have worked know how much fun and what good fellowship it is, but it does take a lot of man-hours to staff the cow booth. WE NEED YOU! Please visit the sign up table today and reserve your spot to help out. This is a fund raiser for the youth group, in fact the only one of the year, but a portion of the proceeds will be given to the church, as well as other special gifts/purchases throughout the year. Thank you!