

## NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY CHOIR

On Friday, March 11, Central will have the privilege of hosting the North Georgia College and State University Choir. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and we would love for you and your friends and family to be in attendance. We are also looking for host homes for the college students, directors, and accompanists. Please let Mike or Abby Warneke know if you are interested in hosting a few of these students for the Friday evening of the concert; you will simply need to take them home from the concert, give them a place to sleep and provide them breakfast before you bring them back to the church in the morning. We will need to find numerous homes, so please respond soon if you are interested.

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### UNITED CARING SHELTER SELLING RIBS & BUTTS

The United Caring Shelter is again selling BBQ Pork Ribs (5lbs/\$20) and BBQ Pork Butts (7lbs/\$23) as a fundraiser. They can be ordered now and picked up on April 9. An order form is on the bulletin board with more information. Blank forms can be found on the counter in the office to use for your order.

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### FAT TUESDAY FEAST

Old North UMC, 4201 Stringtown Road, is having a Fat Tuesday Feast on March 8 from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. Adults are \$12 and Children 10 and under are \$6. Everyone is welcome.

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### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you want to feel spiritually enriched and make a difference in someone else's life? Have you thought about volunteering, but weren't sure where you wanted to volunteer? AseraCare Hospice is looking for Companion and Vigil Volunteers to assist our team in providing excellent end-of-life care to our patients. Our volunteers provide patients and their families with support and companionship as they prepare to transition from their earthly life. The time involved in volunteering is flexible. The training is very thorough and provided for FREE. If you live outside of the Evansville area, accommodations can be made to complete the training close to your home. We are in need of volunteers throughout southwestern Indiana. For more information please call Ellen Holland, Volunteer Coordinator at 812-858-1032 or 800-404-0289.

# 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:** 9:30 a.m. – Combined Service

**Sunday School:** (Classes for all ages) 10:45 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

**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.-11:30 a.m.

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

**Power Basketball:** (Jr. High Age) Thursday 3:30-5:30 p.m.

**Power:** (Neighborhood Children ages 5-11) Wednesday 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

### MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

#### *FEBRUARY 27 – MARCH 5*

Sunday	5:00 p.m. Shalom Dinner – FLC
Monday	5:00 p.m. Flood of Justice Meeting – Church Office
Tuesday	4:00 p.m. Mission Team Meeting – Library
	5:00 p.m. Nurture Team Meeting – Church Office
	5:00 p.m. ERI Basketball – FLC
	6:00 p.m. Staff-Parish Meeting – Library
Wednesday	11:00 a.m. Wednesday Friends – Trinity Room
	6:00 p.m. Child Care/4 C's Meeting – Garden Room
	6:15 p.m. Psalm's Study – Library
	6:45 p.m. Central Basketball – FLC
Thursday	6:15 p.m. Worship Team Meeting – Library
	7:00 p.m. Flick Basketball – FLC

**MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP EVENTS (Continued)**

Friday 9:00 a.m. Church Women United – St. Mary’s Church  
Saturday 8:00 p.m. N.A. Meeting – Trinity Room

**UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP EVENT**

March 11– North Georgia College & State University Choral Concert

**HOSPITALIZED**



**St. Mary’s: Harold Pittman Connie Maglinger  
Deaconess: Barb Schmitt**

**PRAY FOR THE CENTER CITY CHURCH CLUSTER**

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

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<b>Attendance February 20 .....</b>	<b>210</b>
<b>Budget Envelope Giving Last Week .....</b>	<b>\$3,205</b>
<b>Needed Weekly .....</b>	<b>\$6,438</b>
<b>Giving Year-To-Date .....</b>	<b>\$49,082</b>
<b>Needed Year-to-Date .....</b>	<b>\$51,504</b>

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THANKS for all the well wishes, cards and especially the prayers. They were much appreciated.

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**RACK SHACK NEEDS**

The Rack Shack is in need of household items such as pots and pans, dishes, towels, linens and kitchen utensils. Nick knacks are also something people ask for on a regular basis.

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**MEN’S LENTEN BREAKFASTS BEGIN MARCH 12**

The Evansville/Vanderburgh County Men’s Lenten Breakfasts begin on March 12 at Aldersgate and continue at 7:30 a.m. each Saturday through April 23. Central hosts the next to the last breakfast, April 16.

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**COPIES OF 2010 FINANCES & 2011 LEADERSHIP**

Copies of the 2010 year-end Treasurer’s Report (including income and expenses in the budget, Vision 2010 income and expenses, loan status and the year-end balance sheet) and of the 2011 Leadership for the church are available on the table at the main entrance to the Sanctuary and the back of the FLC worship area.

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**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED – WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

**March 4 from 9-11 a.m. at St. Mary’s Church, 613 Cherry St.**

**Program: Father Steve Lintzenich**

**US 41 BUS ROUTE SUPPORT LETTER STILL SOUGHT**

The justice ministry teams of Central and other Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment members are still working to impress the County Council with the importance of funding a new bus route along US 41 North between Lynch and Volkman Roads. 600+ letters were given to the Council last Wednesday at an excellent presentation by Linda Henzman and other CAJE Transportation Committee members. Because the County got information early last week about excess payments from the state in prior years that they may have to repay this year, they are leery of funding anything new. In light of this, CAJE changed it strategy and did not ask for a vote on the issue at their meeting this week but agreed to work with members of the Council to try to put together a plan for funding a pilot project on the route. You can help by signing and turning in the support letter attached to the registration clipboard for funding the new route today. More information is on the tan colored “Need” sheet.

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**BRING BOXES FOR FOOD PANTRY NEXT SUNDAY**

Next Sunday, March 6, “First-Sunday Collection” item is “Boxes.” You may also give by cash or check (to “Central UMC” noting “Food Pantry”).

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**MARCH 8 CHARGE CONFERENCE TO ELECT TRUSTEE**

Rev. Easley has been authorized to convene a special Charge Conference for the purpose of electing a Trustee to fill a vacancy. Kay Conder will be nominated at this meeting in the Nolte Room right before the Executive Council meeting on March 8 at 6:00 p.m.

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**MARCH 9 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE BEGINS LENT**

Our Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 p.m. on March 9 gives us a great opportunity to reflect and reevaluate as we begin our Lenten journey. Rev. Easley will preach and the choir will sing. The Theme for the Sundays of Lent this year is: “The Most Marvelous Gift.” We also continue our series of Lenten Luncheons on “Spirituality and the Arts” with our Shalom partner churches. This year we look at how architecture reflects and inspires faith in the respective church buildings. We host the first one on Tuesday, March 15, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. with the remaining two luncheons March 29 at St. Anthony’s and April 12 at St. Lucas.