

EYEGASSES AND HEARING AIDS NEEDED

Please bring your used **eyeglasses and hearing aids** to the Church Parlor Mission Center by March 30. Ziemer funeral home is donating them to the Evansville Lions Club, and the nonprofit organization or church donating the most glasses and hearing aids will be awarded \$1000.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP OUT

Are you looking for a way to help out on Sunday mornings to make Central a friendlier place or to aid in worship? Here are a few ideas that might work for you.

1. Visitor Host – loaves of banana bread have been made to give to families who visit Central. Now we just need someone in each service who will be responsible for identifying visitors, and getting them a welcome packet and a loaf of bread.
2. Casual Service Videographer – are you an aspiring movie director or just have and like to use a video camera? The Casual Service is looking for someone to video the service and provide a file that can be uploaded to the internet and linked to our website in the few days following the service.
3. FLC Work Day – there is a planned work day for the FLC on Saturday, February 25, from 9 – 11 a.m. Tables and chairs will be cleaned, shelves will be hung, a new screen will be constructed, walls will be patched and other small projects will be undertaken. If you are interested in helping out, we hope to see you there.

In addition to these, there are plenty of other ways to help out and contribute each Sunday morning and each day of the week at Central. If something you see interests you, fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate. If it is something we do not have that would be good to do, please contact the office to see about implementing it.

I want to take this opportunity ...

Name: _____

I am interested in helping with # 1 #2 #3 or other (written below).

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. 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 Communion 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

Youth: Sunday 4:00 p.m. - Youth 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.-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 JAN. 29-FEB. 4

Sunday	5:00 p.m. Shalom Dinner – FLC
Monday	10:00 a.m. Church Staff Meeting – Church Office 6:30 p.m. Worship Team Meeting – Library
Tuesday	5:15 p.m. ERI Basketball – FLC
Wednesday	11:00 a.m. Wednesday Friends – Trinity Room 5:00 p.m. Young Adult Small Group – Trinity Room 7:00 p.m. Central Basketball – FLC
Thursday	6:30 p.m. Flick Basketball – FLC 7:00 p.m. Winter Jam – Ford Center
Friday	7:15 p.m. Faith Night at the IceMen Game – Ford Center
Saturday	8:00 p.m. N.A. Meeting – Trinity Room



HOSPITALIZED

Deaconess: Brenda Miller St. Mary’s: Betty Koenig

DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL Nick Wilson (O.P.S)

PRAY FOR OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

Attendance January 22	180
Budget Envelope Giving Last Week	\$4,143
Needed Weekly	\$6,438
Giving Year-To-Date	\$23,807
Needed Year-to-Date	\$25,752

OUR SYMPATHY goes to Susan Rideout and family on the death of her grandmother, Lillian Rucker, who died Wednesday, January 25. Lillian was a 70 year member of Central belonging to the Togadore Class and the Senior Citizens Group. She also was a long-time volunteer of the Rack Shack. Her funeral was yesterday at Boone Funeral Home with burial in Locust Hill Cemetery.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mary Schreiber for winning the Chili Cook-off. We had nine entries and people took the tasting very seriously. For those who could not attend, you missed a great time of fellowship and lots of great chili. Thanks to all who entered.

Linda Harris, Nurture Committee

I would like to **THANK** everyone for your thoughts and prayers (also the cards) during my hospital stay with pneumonia. It meant so much to me. It's always nice to know you have so many people in your corner. We are a wonderful Church full of love.

Linda Harris

5th SUNDAY CHANGE

Loose change collected in the offering today goes toward the Camping Scholarships. The 5th Sunday change collected in November was \$66.54. Thanks Central for giving to this wonderful cause!!

ICEMEN HOCKEY GAME – FRIDAY

The Outreach Team is planning on a fun outing for our church membership on Friday, February 3rd at 7:15 p.m. We still have a few IceMen tickets available. Please talk with Mike Warneke if you are interested in attending.

BRING TOILETRIES FOR PANTRY FEBRUARY 5

February's "First-Sunday Collection" item is "Toiletries." Next Sunday, February 5, please bring in toiletry items for our pantry. Cash gifts and checks (to "Central UMC Food Pantry") are also welcome.

CONFIRMATION KICK-OFF FEBRUARY 12

Young people in the 7th grade through high school, who are interested in studying our faith more deeply and in possibly being confirmed as professing members of the Church are invited to a Confirmation Kick-Off Luncheon on Sunday, February 12. The meeting for youth and parents alike starts at 11:35 a.m. in the Garden Room and will end by 12:45 p.m. Potential mentors for the confirmands will also be invited to attend. During the process each youth would meet individually with his/her mentor to work through material to learn more about Christian beliefs and practices as well as the meaning of following Christ and being a part of the Church. In addition, there may be one or more group events during the study and individual meetings with Pastor Joe in mid to late May. Interested youth as well as parents are asked to call the church by Wednesday, February 8, to let us know how many from the family will be attending. Contact Pastor Joe, if you have any questions.

STUDY OF GENESIS BEGINS FEBRUARY

Genesis is the first book of the Bible and sets the stage for our understanding of God. We also learn about creation (which is both good and "fallen"), God's goals for life, the choice of Abraham's descendants for a special role in history and those goals, and the kind of relationships God seeks with all creation. These key themes continue to unfold throughout scripture. Pastor Joe will facilitate a study of Genesis using a Short-Term Disciple Bible Study resource, which includes introductory material for each of 10 weekly sessions, daily reading in the Bible during this time and a DVD with 10 minutes of stimulating material for each week. The study will be offered on Wednesday nights 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. in the Library, beginning February 22 with a half-hour introductory session before the Ash Wednesday service that night. If there is enough interest for a Sunday morning study, 10:45 a.m. to 12:00 Noon in the Nolte Room, he will also do that, starting with a 30-minute introductory session February 19. For both groups the first meeting will let you meet other participants, get books and review assignments. If questions, call.

EVENING UNDER THE STARS – FEBRUARY 18

The youth group will be having its 1st Annual "Evening Under the Stars" on Saturday, February 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden Room. This will be a dinner event served by the youth, with their version of the Newlywed Game Show, and live entertainment. Tickets are \$15 per person and all proceeds will go to the youth for church camp and the mission trip. Please contact Abby Warneke (962-5755) for more information.