

Central's CONNECTIONS

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LOVE GOD. SERVE OTHERS. GROW DISCIPLES.

January 14, 2018

WELCOME...we are glad you are here! If you have young children, you are welcome to sign them in at the beginning of the service to our Children's Ministry Program, "Jesus And Me" (J.A.M.). The sign in station is located in the main hallway near the main parking lot entrance. Infants to 2 years meet in the Nursery; children ages 2-4 years meet in the Barn Room; children ages 5-8 years meet in the Beginner's Room. You may pick up your children directly from their rooms with your guardian label.

Church News and Notes

Those needing prayer: (*Discharged from medical facility)
Peggy Landis – Lankenau Hospital

Congratulations to Henry and Laurie (Harris) Williams who were married on December 30, 2017 in Illinois. Parents are Dr. Drake and Andrea Williams and grandfather is H. Drake Williams, all of our congregation.

Sympathy is extended to Doris Rothenberger and Holly Lukens on the death of Robert (Robbie) Rothenberger, who passed away on Saturday, January 6th.

Church members, my husband and I would like to thank the congregation for the beautiful poinsettia we received recently. The poinsettia adds to the Christmas decorations in our dining room. We very much appreciate Lois and Jim Forbes, who delivered the flower to us.
Marilyn Alderfer

Thank you to the church for the nice plant and thanks to Emily and Ron Allebach for delivering it and for the chat we had with them.
John Helms

Dear Friends at Central, My sincere thanks for the poinsettia. I am sorry I was not home as it was a day I go for dialysis. When I got to my apartment the beautiful poinsettia was at my door.
Sincerely, Janet McClelland

Thank you for the birthday flowers that were delivered by Lynne Werley. Thank you also for the cards from Sam and Bev O'Brien and Bill and Portia Potts.
Khimma and Noy Tha

Thanks go out to the congregation and the Flower Committee for the lovely white poinsettia, and their thoughtfulness, delivered by Bill and Portia Potts at Christmas time. Best wishes and blessings to all throughout 2018.
Karen Klein

IF HELP IS NEEDED ON SUNDAYS...

For help, a Safety Committee member (identified with a brightly colored lanyard and badge) can be found in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall or Narthex Office.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 14 – Rev. Dr. David McKinley

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service (SANC)
10:10 a.m. Sunday School
Catechetical Class Begins (NEW)
11:15 a.m. Informal Worship Service (FH)
5:45 p.m. Dorian Choir (CCC)
6:30 p.m. Wired and Crave (CCC)

Monday, January 15

10:00 a.m. Awana Sixer's Game departure (P. LOT)
6:00 p.m. MOPS (CCC)
7:00 p.m. Church Council (BLUE)
7:30 p.m. Chancel Bells (PP)

Tuesday, January 16

9:30 a.m. MOPS (CCC)
7:00 p.m. North Pennsness (FH)
Board of Ministries, rescheduled (ACR)
NP Rugby, Parents Mtg. (CHAP)

Wednesday, January 17

9:00 a.m. Happy Days, Reserved (LIB)
9:45 a.m. LAMPS (FH)
5:30 a.m. Junior Choir (JR)
5:45 p.m. Genesis Bells (PP)
6:15 p.m. Cub Scouts (PRIM, BLUE, MID, MERE)
6:30 p.m. Celebration Brass (FH)
Awana (CCC)
7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (PRAY)
Brasswind (FH)
Chancel Choir (SANC)
8:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 18

1:00 p.m. Blood Drive (FH)
5:30 p.m. Rugby Practice (PARK LOT)
6:15 p.m. 363 Band (CCC)
6:30 p.m. Bethel Bible Study (BETH)
7:15 p.m. Worship Band Rehearsal (FH/SANC)

Friday, January 19

Saturday, January 20

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (AYS)

Sunday, January 21 – Rev. Dr. David McKinley

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service (SANC)
10:10 a.m. Sunday School
Deacons Reception with New Members (NEW)
11:15 a.m. Informal Worship Service (FH)
2:00 p.m. Meadowood Service
5:45 p.m. Dorian Choir (CCC)
6:30 p.m. Wired and Crave (CCC/AYS)
Intro. To Central (NEW)

Prayer for Church Life

Please pray for **our congregation** in the coming weeks as we consider our vision and direction. Pray that many would come to hear the messages and that the Holy Spirit would transform our church in the months ahead.

Prayer for Missions

Please pray for **Tim and Donna Sirinides, International Teams**, and their Koukaki Team in Athens, Greece, as they minister to refugees from the Middle East and North Africa. Special prayers are requested as they seek to raise the remaining funds needed to purchase their ministry building. Also, pray that Central will be able to send another mission team to work with Tim and Donna in the future.

*** These individuals and organizations are supported by our Board of Missions.*

HONORING JESSIE MILLER

Jessie Miller is retiring as our sexton after more than 25 years of service and dedication. So let's shower her with cards and thanks for all of her years of work out front and behind the scenes here at Central. Please mail your cards to: Jessica Miller, 656 Park Road, Lansdale, PA 19446-5610. Thank you Jessie for all of your hard work and your dedication to our church family!



NOW HIRING!

TWO CAMPUS FACILITIES POSITIONS

Looking for a part-time job? How about a full-time job? We're searching for BOTH a Part-Time Sexton and a Full-Time Sexton. The full-time position is essentially second shift (11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.) Sunday through Thursday (specific details available upon request). The part-time position is to work 3 nights a week and one Sunday a month. Sound like something you might be interested in? Either job sound like something a friend or family member may be interested in? Call the church office or check out the website or Facebook page to fill out an application.

WORK CAMP 2018

July 8th – 14th in New Castle, PA

All adults and students currently in Grades 8 and up are invited to come to Work Camp and invite your friends! This is a unique opportunity to be Jesus' hands and feet while surrounded by friends. If you know you are going, please fill out your registrations and hand them in to the office by January 28th so we can get a good estimate of how many people are planning to go. The fee is \$225 per person; \$175 for each additional family member or friend from outside of church. Scholarships and payment plans are available. We will receive registrations after January 28th; however, it will cost the church a bit more money.

YOUTH NEWS

WIRED & CRAVE

Wired and Crave will have a regular meeting tonight from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Central Community Center. All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome!

AWANA

AWANA has added a Cubbies Program for children ages 3 – 5 years. All AWANA programs **will** meet at the same time. See you on Wednesday, when we have our next regular meeting from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the CCC.

LAST CHANCE FOR 76ERS TICKETS!

Awana will be going to the 76ers game TOMORROW and would love to have you come along! There are still several tickets remaining – call Julian Scavetti at 484-354-7101 if interested. Each ticket costs \$45 and this covers your seat for the game, transportation by bus and snacks for the bus rides. Scholarships are available so don't let the cost be an issue!



WIRED & CRAVE SKI RETREAT

SAWMILLTHREE SPRINGS in MORRIS, PA:

February 9th – 11th

It is time to get geared up for one of the best weekends you will experience all year! This year we are skiing/boarding at Sawmill and staying at Three Springs Farm. Cost goes as follows - \$155 for everyone skiing or boarding; \$145 if you bring your own equipment or tube; \$110 for just staying at the inn and chillin' in the lodge. Helmet rental is an additional \$5. If this is your first time on the slopes we provide a lesson for you. Payment plans and scholarships are available. There is no reason to miss out! Please submit a Ski Retreat registration form (from the bulletin boards or contact the church office) and submit your \$45 deposit to hold your spot by January 21st.

AWANA SUPER-BOWLING!

Join us for a "Super Bowling Party" on Super Bowl Sunday! We will meet at Earl Bowl on Sunday, February 4th at 12:50 p.m. and enjoy pizza, snacks, drinks and 2 hours of super fun bowling. Pick up is at Earl Bowl at 3:00 p.m. Look for the sign-ups on the bulletin boards at church and the Community Center.

WIREDICRAVE SUPER BOWL PARTY

February 4th, 6:15 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

Come out to the Central Community Center for the best Super Bowl Party in town. Pizza, Wings, Snacks, Desserts, Ping Pong, Video Games, Open Gym- ALL FREE! Come out and bring friends!



MOPS

Central MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) would like to thank Women's Christian Fellowship for donating their time to provide a night of babysitting for the parents of little ones to get a much needed break. All of us in MOPS were so appreciative!

We'd also like to thank Sue McGinnis, Judy Allen, and Al Koehler for providing the meal for Monday MOPS in December. We are grateful for your kindness! If anyone would like to contribute, we need people to sign up to provide part or all of the meal for our next several meetings (Jan. 15, Feb. 19, Mar. 19, Apr. 16, May 21). Please contact Amie Kipp at 215-869-7488 or amiekipp@gmail.com for more info. Thank you for serving these busy mamas!



DEAR BAKERYCOUNTRY MARKET

MEMBERS...



Our first meeting of the 2018 year will be **March 12th** at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Looking forward to seeing you all, being together, and discussing what this new year will look like. In the meantime, stay warm, and keep cutting those Box Tops for Education! ☺

WINTER SMALL GROUP – OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS

In the Old Testament, God spoke to His people through prophets. The New Testament makes it clear that these prophets, whether chastising or comforting, testified to Israel's final redemption and ultimate hope through Jesus the Messiah.

Join us in a ten week study as we conclude our journey through the Old Testament. Our study will be based on Nancy Guthrie's book "*The Word of the Lord – Seeing Jesus in the Prophets*" to help us gain a fresh perspective on the message of the Old Testament prophets and a broader understanding of Jesus as the fulfillment of Scripture.

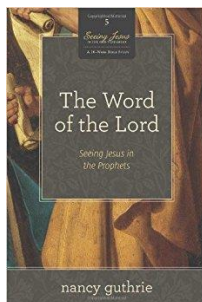
We will meet in the Ander's Conference Room on Sunday evenings from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. **starting January 28th**. For more information or to sign up, please contact Mary Beatrice at (267)474-7690.

"Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus the appointed heir of all things, and through whom also Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

John 1: 45

"In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he made the universe."

Hebrews 1:1-2



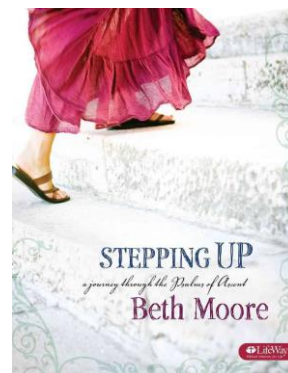
RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



Happy New Year to all of our generous blood donors. Our first Red Cross Blood Drive for the new year is scheduled for Thursday, January 18th from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you would like to schedule an appointment, sign-up sheets will be available in the Narthex. We look forward to seeing our returning donors and always welcome newcomers. What a wonderful, giving way to start the new year with the gift of lifesaving blood.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY AID UPDATE

December's donations capped a banner year with almost twice as many items (518) than any previous. They reached the Dock Woods Village families and the Forteniters office before the ongoing freeze began in earnest to assist folks who have limited access to get around. The legacy of Helene and Harvey Clayton, who began this outreach many years ago, continues to grow, thanks to your caring to share.



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, you are invited to join us for a pilgrimage to JOY as we dig into Psalms 120-134. In "**Stepping Up--A Journey through the Psalms of Ascent**" Beth Moore shares, "God desires to change our outlook on life, raise us to a higher plane of worship and service, and usher us to the next step in our personal journey with Him." We'll begin this 13-week series on Wednesday, February 7th at 9:15 am in the Central Community Center. If you are interested in participating please email Karen Dix to request a copy of the study guide - kginskippack@verizon.net.



The Board of Missions funds the packing of 40,000 meals at our annual GAIN event. One of our dedicated packers has made a donation to pack even more beans and rice at the upcoming event on April 15th! We all know that all the packers want to keep going and the competition among the tables is fierce! Would anyone like to join in with a contribution to purchase more supplies so we can pack more? The cost is \$.30 per meal and we can order in any increment. Please note on the memo line "GAIN" and we will order more supplies according to the donations we receive. Thank you for helping to make this event a success every year.

The Mission Board

LENTEN LUNCHEON BIBLE STUDIES

Lenten Luncheons are held each Wednesday, starting February 14th through March 21st. Lunch starts at 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and the lesson begins promptly at 12:20 p.m. each week. Bring a sandwich to share and some soup or dessert. **Please sign up in the Narthex each week that you plan to attend!**



MEADOWOOD BIBLE STUDY

Pastor David will be leading a Bible Study on the Monday evenings in February from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Strasburg Auditorium. His topic this year is "Commitment from the Gospels: Considering Jesus' Call to Follow". Anyone from the community is welcome to attend!

MISSION BOARD REQUEST

The Mission Board has an urgent request from Lauren Libby, President of TWR (Trans World Radio). They had a devastating fire at their office in Cary, NC. It destroyed their ministry facilities. They are asking for funds to rebuild the office and keep their operation going. They are presently using makeshift quarters. Please annotate "TWR" on memo line of check. Thank you,

Mission Board

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Announcements and Connections information can be emailed to BulletinInfo@cscfamily.org.

Please note that information is due

Wednesdays by 10:00 a.m.

Please avoid using text boxes in your message.

CD's of the 9:00 a.m. worship service are available for a \$1 donation and can be ordered through the church office.

Sermons are also posted on the church's website under "Resources".