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**LITTLE SPROUTS
PRE-SCHOOL AND
DAYCARE STAFF**

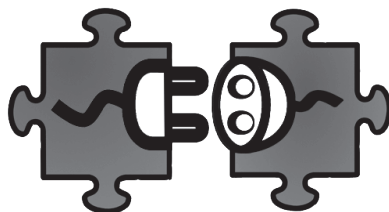
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reCONNECT With God and
the Church with our Prayers,
our Presence, Witness, our
Service, and our Gifts

Recently I had the great pleasure of baptizing my grandson, Harper. You remember him. He's the one who woke up hungry just as the Holy Spirit was unleashing its power in the water upon him and he never stopped crying until his stomach was satisfied. It was unnerving if not humorous at the time.

I hope what was awakened in him was more than an awareness of the empty stomach, but he will also come to seek a fullness of heart and life that is part of the

church of Jesus Christ to which he belongs. We certainly remember it every time we do such baptisms. The whole congregation will respond together and I trust with all integrity that we "renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ." This is the covenant we make to participate when we confirm our baptism or join the church as adults.

It is this series of "Movements of Participation" that we are recalling in order to reCONNECT our lives with God and the Church. I know that when we say these words, we are deeply intentional, and long to be the faithful people we visioned when we began. Claim each part of the covenant as we share these weeks and find our lives bound firmly as disciples of Jesus Christ. May we again be members of the Holy Church who are living as the incarnation of Christ in the world together.

Jim

(Thanks to Dr. James Harnish and the Tampa Hyde Park United Methodist Church for the reCONNECT concept.)

Visit our websites at: www.waterfordcumc.org, www.littlesproutspreschool.org

Visit the Kids Central Website at: www.kidscentralweb.org.

Sermons & Select Music also available online on our main website!

CHARGE CONFERENCE
Mark your calendars!
Sunday, November 8, 6:00 p.m.

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
YOUNG ADULT GATHERING
Wednesday, September 23, 6:30 p.m.
Come join Rev. Karen & Lawrence Williams at the parsonage for hot dogs and homemade ice cream. Everyone 18-35 years of age is welcome. This is just an introductory meeting. Future meetings will be broken up accordingly. RSVP to: kwilliams@waterfordcumc.org or Call 248-682-8281

WELCOME NEW YOUTH LEADERS

New to the staff this year are two part-time youth leaders with full time hearts. Mark Strobel, (fresh from the Mark and Myke tour, Dad's Diner and Club, and hump of the camel) will be engaging the Middle High youth in a full program to grow their faith, and practice their discipleship while experiencing the fun and joy of Christian Community. Mark is married to Julie and is the father of Ethan and Hannah, lives in Macomb and is employed by Dassault Systems.

Also new to the hired staff as Sr. high UMY counselor is Megann Graham. Megann has been an active part of the youth program since she first came to the program as a sixth grader herself. While she attended Oakland University to get her BA and then worked on her Masters Degree, she continued to volunteer as a counselor. She comes with the added training provided by her work as counselor and then Assistant Director of Camping at Camp Kinawind for the past several years. Her youthful enthusiasm, joyful demeanor, and engaging personality bear a deep and committed faith and a comprehensive understanding of youth ministry.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Rev. Kellermann will be training new 6th and 7th graders as acolytes at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 20. These youth join a body of responsible young people who help assist in worship by bringing the light of God into worship and leading us out into the world with it as well. They are called upon to assist with communions and baptisms, and varying other tasks that from time to time are helpful for the pastors. If your youth would like to participate in this program, please have them in the sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. on the 20th even if they did not sign up for the training.

WORSHIP NOTES

In the beginning the earth was without form, and the earth was dark, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

WORSHIP TIMES
Sundays Services at
9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

The Rock is our children's program during the 10:00/ 10:30 a.m. service. Nursery & Pre-School care available

September 20, 2009

16th Sunday after Pentecost
Christian Education Sunday
"reCONNECT: Prayers"

Growing Faith

Rev. Kathy Pittenger, preaching
10:30 a.m. / Chancel Choir

September 27, 2009

September 27, 2009

17th Sunday after Pentecost
"reCONNECT: Presence"

Rev. Karen Williams, preaching
9:00 a.m. Salt Shakers
10:30 a.m.

Salt Shakers/ Chancel Choir

Born to Eternal Life

David Lugg

9/3/1939 ~ 8/31/09

Member of Central Since

4/6/1952

Our Sincere Sympathies to

Iris Lugg

on the death of her son

Cradle Roll

Central Welcomes

ROBERT HANSON COOPER

Born 9/10/2009

Son of Robert and Sandy Cooper

Grandson of

Ronald and Sue Pearsall

Nephew of Penny Lewis

Change of Address

Maxine Ashley
8380 Geddes Rd.
Ypsilanti, MI 48198-9404
734-547-7600

Dottie Pelton
Canterbury on the Lake
5601 Hatchery Road, Apt. 1013
Waterford, MI 48329

KIDS CENTRAL MINISTRY NEWS

Upcoming Events...

Game Night

The next fun family event is Game Night on October 2 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Come anytime during those 2 hours for games, snacks, and fellowship. Bring your favorite game to play and a snack to share.

Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat is Sunday, October 25 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.. A small group of people is needed to help plan the event. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Pittenger. An actual meeting may not be necessary if everyone is available by email.

Kids Central Email List

If you would like to be added to the Kids Central Weekly Email (which includes kids birthdays, upcoming events, prayer requests, The ROCK schedule for the upcoming week, a family devotion, and more) please email Kathy Pittenger at kpittenger@waterfordcumc.org and ask to be added to the KC Weekly Email.

The ROCK Open House

Sunday, September 27 is The ROCK Open House. Kindergarten through 5th graders are welcome to bring a friend (with special gifts for guests and their friend). All kids will get to choose which workshop they go to for the morning. The choices are: Art, Movie, Story, or Cooking. After The ROCK we will celebrate in the Imagination Station with Handprints (for all Kindergarteners and anyone who hasn't gotten to put their handprint on the wall), cookies, and punch. Everyone is invited to join us for the Celebration after worship.

Snacks Needed!

Stepping Stones kids (toddlers through preschool) need donations of graham crackers, animal crackers, and apple juice. Please drop your donation off in Miss Kathy's office. Thank you so much

kpittenger@waterfordcumc.org
www.kidscentralweb.org

CHIMES Deadlines...

The next Chimes deadline is September 24 for the October 4 Chimes. Please send all articles to: pfisher@waterfordcumc.org

COOKIES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS & MILITARY

Once again it's that time of year when we let our college students and those in the military know we are thinking of them. We know they love to receive goodies from their church family. Please sign up on the board next to the office to let us know how many dozen cookies you can donate so we are sure to have enough. Please wrap the cookies in packages of two (zip-close baggies work great for this)! Donations must be to the church (please take to the kitchen counter and mark for College Students/Military) by 7:00 pm on October 7th! Also, please make sure we have current addresses of all college students and military personnel. If you have any questions, please call Kristi Cornish, 248-926-8035. Thank you.

COLLEGE / MILITARY ADDRESSES

It's time to turn in your college student's address (even if it is the same as last year!) We will be baking cookies to send to the students as they prepare for exams, so don't let your student be left out! Address forms will be available in the church office and on-line.

UMW INGATHERING

Caring caps for Women and Children. (for cancer, chemo, and brain surgery patients.) Items may be purchased, sewn, knitted or crocheted. Soft fabrics - no wool please. We will present these caps at the UMW District Annual Meeting on October 3, 2009. See flyer on the UMW bulletin board for more information.

RUMMAGE SALE TIME IS HERE AGAIN!

Look for our volunteer sign-up poster in the hallway on Sundays, September 20 and 27. That means we have four weeks to get geared up before we set up for our Fall sale on Sunday, October 4! Please plan to join us sometime during that week as it is a great way to get acquainted! Also - don't forget that there will be no sale without your donations of clean, resalable items! Please note the set-up and sale dates listed below:

Sunday Oct. 4 12 noon - 3 p.m. Equipment set-up

Monday Oct. 5 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Set up

Tuesday Oct. 6 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Set up

Wednesday Oct. 7 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Set up

Thursday Oct. 8 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Set up

SALE DATES: Thursday, Oct. 8 - 1 - 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 9 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 10 - 9 a.m. - 12 noon (Bag Day)

DONATIONS ACCEPTED FROM SUN., OCT. 4 THROUGH NOON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7. Please do not bring the following items: Major appliances (small appliances that work are greatly appreciated), air conditioners, baby car seats, bowling balls, Christmas trees, exercise equipment, computers, dishwashers, medical equipment, newspapers, magazines, Reader's Digest books, textbooks, water heaters, SOILED furniture (clean is good), and Scout uniforms. (Reminder: Newspapers and magazines can be deposited in the Recycle Bin.)

CENTRAL CINEMA

Grab the popcorn and join us October 3, 2009 for our moving season opener, "The Soloist." This moving story reveals the redemptive power of music, as a journalist Steve Lopez (Oscar® nominee Robert Downey Jr.) discovers Nathaniel Anthony Ayers (Oscar® winner Jamie Foxx), a former classical music prodigy, playing his violin on the streets of L.A. As Lopez endeavors to help the homeless man find his way back, a unique friendship is formed, one that transforms both their lives. -Rated PG 13.

CROP WALK

The Crop Walk is scheduled for October 4, 2009 with its starting point at Christ Lutheran Church (Williams Lake Road). The funds raised in this walk of long tradition assist those world wide who need resources to grow crops, dig wells, and provide food for those who have little or no resource. Half the money raised stays in the Oakland County Area to provide food for the growing list of those who struggle in this economy. Sponsor sheets are available in the hallway. Take one and begin asking for sponsors to fund your walk (or roll). Opportunities are provided for those who cannot walk the CROP Walk route but would prefer the safer confines of a mall or track. Join Rev. Kellermann and others who make this easy and healthy commitment that can impact other's lives.

FISH PANTRY

The pantry is in need of the following items: soup, crackers, muffin mix, milk packages, vegetables, fruit, paper towels, jello and pudding. Thank you!



UMBRELLA MINISTRY

A brain storm has resulted in the need and joy of an umbrella ministry. The Wednesday morning Book Study have instituted this ministry that will provide umbrellas at both main doors for persons to borrow to get to their cars, or for ushers to use to assist those coming or going when the heavens let loose. You are invited to bring a good umbrella you no longer need and contribute to the baskets at the doors. If you borrow one, just bring it back later so others can use it.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

All middle school students and their parents are invited to attend our first youth group meeting of the year on Sunday, September 20, at 5 p.m.. We will meet in the Chapel. This first meeting is to discuss what you as youth group members and parents of youth group members would like to have your youth group become. Expect the meeting to last about one hour. Come and meet the new middle school youth director, Mark Strobel, and share your ideas about fun things this group can do socially, spiritually, and for service to our community.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing food relief and financial support to communities throughout the United States. It is designed to help everyone. There are no qualifications, minimums, income restrictions, or applications. Everyone can benefit the lower cost to feed our families. Food is picked up at a local church on a designated day. To participate, pick up an order form in the front office or go to the Angel Food Ministries website at: www.angelfoodministries.com to order on line. Pick-up dates and locations are listed on line and on the flyer in the front office.

DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY

A small group of people carry a great deal of power to change life and deepen faith. The Disciple Bible Study series has that impact. If you would like to venture into a deeper exploration of the Bible and the life it invites us to lead, sign up for the Disciple 1 class. It is a daily reading program and a 2 ½ hour per week meeting that runs for 34 weeks. When enough have joined to form an adequate small group (10 people) the group will choose their meeting time. A sign-up sheet is in the hallway.

MOTHER GOOSE
& FATHER GANDER WITH A TWIST
OCTOBER 11, 2009

Following the 10:30 a.m. church service
Chicken dinner: 12:45 p.m.
Mother Goose entertainment 1:30 p.m.
Each committee and/or group in the
church is invited to put together a nurs-
ery rhyme (OR 2 or 3!!) to share dur-
ing this light-hearted fun fall activity.
Don't you let those camels out-do you!
What? Camels in a nursery rhyme?
Oh... the twists we can twist! (Contact
Polly Strosahl or Cheryl Hinsberg with
your skit idea, before they contact you!)

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE
In Celebration of the UN's International
Day of Peace, CUMC encourages you
to see "Pray the Devil Back to Hell."
This is the gripping account of a group
of brave and visionary women who
demanded peace for Liberia, a nation
torn to shreds by a decades-old civil
war. The women's historic yet unsung
achievement finds voice in a narrative
that intersperses contemporary inter-
views, archival images, and scenes of
present-day Liberia together to recount
the experiences and memories of the
women who were instrumental in bring-
ing lasting peace to their country.
Showing at Beverly Hills United Meth-
odist Church. Ticket information and
show times can be found on their web-
site: www.bhumc.com, or by calling
248-646-9777.

KITCHEN UPDATES

By the grace of God and the benefi-
cence of Virginia Selle and Margaret
Luther, we have been given a beautiful
set of new kitchen appliances. Please
step into the kitchen to take a look. They
will be a blessing for Central Church for
years to come!

BEATLES FOR PEACE

Peace Action of Michigan presents:
Beatles for Peace,

It was 40 Years Ago Today

Saturday, Sept 26, 8:00 to 11:00 PM
"Beatles for Peace" concert at the Ma-
jestic Theatre, Woodward Ave., Detroit,
featuring the *BackBeats*, Michigan's
Premier Beatles Tribute Band. The
evening's MC will be Peter Werbe,
Host of WRIF's "Nightcall" program.
For tickets contact Peace Action, 248-
548-3920, Ticketmaster or the Majestic
Theatre. Admission; \$30.00 for seat-
ing, \$20.00 for standing. Peace Action
of Michigan, a state affiliate of Peace
Action, is a democratic grassroots
organization that informs, motivates
and organizes people to achieve a new
foreign policy.

INTRODUCING E-NEWS
FROM CENTRAL

In an effort to better communicate with
our congregation and friends, Cen-
tral church is publishing a bi-weekly
e-newsletter. Many of you received the
first *official* publication on Thursday,
September 10th. It is our hope that this
electronic message will help keep us
better informed about the happenings
of the church as well as any important
alerts that we feel our Church fam-
ily would benefit from knowing. In the
future, we will be blind-copying the e-
news letter so that your e-mail address
remains private with the office. This is
YOUR electronic newsletter and we
want your input. We have yet to choose
an appropriate name for our new elec-
tronic publication and would like to put
it to a vote. Some possible suggestions
are *e-Chimes* or *e-Connect*, e-Central
(I am saving you from some of the
additional names Jim came up with...)
What is your choice? Do you have ad-
ditional suggestions? E-mail them to
Pam at
pfisher@waterfordcumc.org or call the
church office at 248-681-0040. We
are eager for your review of this elec-
tronic messaging approach and urge
you to encourage others with internet
access to sign up to receive our new
format by contacting Pam Fisher.

HARVESTERS POT LUCK

September 24 at noon in the Parlor.
Please remember to bring your own
cup and plate. We'll supply the silver-
ware. This will help us to be environ-
mentally friendly!

GARDEN SHARE PLACE

will continue through October 9. We
are still accepting garden produce and
baked goods. Supplies have been slow
coming due to a poor growing season.
Look for the table in the courtyard hall!
Contact Eleanor Snyder with questions.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
WEEKEND

Discover just how beautiful and intimate
your good marriage can be! The mis-
sion of National Marriage Encounter is
to help couples make their good mar-
riages even better by discovering God's
plan for them. The weekend is centered
around personal reflections followed by
private couple dialogue using safe and
loving communication methods. Join
us for a very private, prayerful weekend
September 25-27. To register on-line
or read further details, visit our website
at: National-Marriage-Encounter.org or
contact Rich and Fran at 586-838-4447.

THANK YOU NOTES

Thanks to

Vanessa Marks who accompanied
Rev. Kellermann and the Senior High
UMY on a camping trip to Muskegon
State Park on August 22 and 23.
Since the youth who attended were five
young women, Vanessa bore the con-
stant responsibility for these delightful
and mature young ladies.

Central Church & Staff;

I just want to thank you for all of your
support through my Great-Grandfa-
ther's passing, Lester McClellan. We
always have and always will be grateful
for having such a loving church. The
luncheon was amazing as usual and
the support Rev. Kellermann gives is
one that soothes the saddened soul. I
do appreciate all that you have shown
both of my Great-Grandparents over
the years and hope to become more
involved and surrounded by the church
as they had been. Thank you again,
Kristina & Aaron Hathcock

A special Thank You

To the following volunteers for their
help in the Memorial Garden on August
18th: Velette Svenkesen, John & Liz
Sawyers, Jim Kozel, Kathy Reseigh &
Susan Krueger and to all those who
have given of their time over the
summer.

Diana & Don Carter

Thank you,

To all who have been sending cards,
prayers, and visits to mom (Ethel
Sinclair). She so enjoys your visits and
Kathy's. The *Upper Room* is a comfort
and gives the courage to continue her
fight with the stroke and all the physi-
cal issues that go hand in hand. I hope
we can get her to your informative and
uplifting services for the Lord's birth-
day. The words *thank-you*, are from the
heart. Warm Regards,
Ethel Sinclair's family

Dear CUMC family,

Thank you so much for the love you
showed our dad through cards and visits
the past few years. He loved them and
loved you all, even though he couldn't
come very often. He will be missed!
The family of Rocky Goddard

Thank you

So much for your help.

Linda Hoy

Thank you

For making your sermons available on-
line. I make an effort to listen to them
each week.

Maude