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Over the past three years, I've come to learn that while there are some things that you can measure, there are far more things that you can't. On my first Sunday at Central, I found out just how to measure a pound of flour, a pound of pasta, a pound of Saunders hot fudge, and pretty much a pound of just about anything and everything that could fit into my pantry. But in the days that followed, I learned that there was no way that I would ever be

able to measure the amount of patience you've shown, the love you've given, or the service you've modeled. Fresh out of Seminary and full of ambition, you helped my excitement be channeled into action and my mistakes be transformed into growth. As a misplaced Southerner, you taught me how to cope with the Michigan winters and made sure that even though home was a thousand miles away I would always have a family nearby. And as someone new to the ministry, your ministry has continued to remind me of why I love the church. I couldn't have anticipated the encouragement I've felt, the joy I've experienced, or the growth I've achieved, and my life will never be the same because of it.

Thank you.

Wendy

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

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

Sermons & Select Music also available online at: www.waterfordcumc.org



Rev. Wendy Lyons Chrostek and her husband,
Rev. Scott Chrostek at Ordination.
Congratulations!

OFFICE UPDATE

Our office and facilities coordinator, Rich Pittenger, is on a leave of absence effective June 1 for hip replacement surgery. Rich hopes to return to work in approximately one month. During Rich's absence, we have asked Rachel Pierre to cover his duties. Our prayers are with Rich for a successful surgery and speedy recovery.

HABITAT BUILDING ON FAITH

As of this publishing, there are 14 volunteer slots remaining for our Building on Faith home at 184 Elm Street. The following dates still need volunteers:
Tuesday June 16 (2 slots)
Wednesday, June 17 (1)
Saturday, August 8 (6)
Saturday, August 15 (3)
Saturday, August 22 (2)
These slots are available to North Oakland Circle of Faith (and South Oakland) congregations using the join code "hope." Any remaining slots were opened to the public Monday June 1. More information is available at: www.waterfordcumc.org/habitat.php

RUMMAGE SALE KUDOS!!

Most of you know that we made a net profit of \$5,800 from our spring rummage sale, but what is more amazing is that over 100 volunteers worked different shifts for seven straight days to make this happen. Words are inadequate to thank everyone, but we have those dedicated people who show up for every sale and put in a hard day's work! We now have Department Heads, Cashiers and Chefs who have found their niche and it is awesome. In addition, we have John Deszell's faithful contribution of Boy Scout Troop 51 for every clean-up day without being asked. The scouts and their hard-working parents work until the last of the leftovers are picked up and the church is cleaned up. Since this happens twice a year, one has to admit that Central's Holy Spirit is in charge!! In His Love & Service, Joanne Green

WORSHIP NOTES

In the beginning the earth was without form, and the earth was without form, and the darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

June 7, 2009
First Sunday after Pentecost/
Trinity Sunday.
Peace and Justice Sunday
(special offering)
Worship Appreciation Sunday
Rev. Jim Kellermann, preaching
"Passports and Itineraries"
Isaiah 6:1-8

June 14, 2009
One service - 10 a.m.!
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
GRADUATION SUNDAY
Rev. Wendy's Last Sunday
Send-Off
Rev. Wendy Lyons Chrostek,
preaching
Mark 4:26-34
Combined Choir

Born to Eternal Life

Elva Boyer
4/12/1911 ~ 5/27/2009
Member of Central Since
1/8/1933

Our Sympathies to :

Clarence Boyer on the death of
his wife.
David Bess on the death of
his aunt.



CHIMES Deadlines...

The next Chimes deadline
is June 11 for the June 21
Chimes. Please send all
articles to:
pfisher@waterfordcumc.org

REFINISHING CLOSET DOORS

Built around the Thursday Morning men's work group, a wider group of volunteers (both men and women) have been refinishing the closet doors these past several weeks. We thank them for their energy and effort to tackle a big task.

KIDS CENTRAL MINISTRY NEWS

GAMES, MEETS, AND MATCHES:

Do you or your kids play a Spring/ Summer sport? Please e-mail Miss Kathy your games, meets, or matches schedule (please include dates, times, and locations). I would love to come to see as many of our kids activities as I can, but I need to know when you play/perform.

WANT TO BE "IN THE KNOW"?

Miss Kathy has started a Kids Central weekly e-mail with information about the upcoming week/ month, family devotion, and lots more. Everyone is welcome to join. E-mail Kathy if you would like to be on the list. Are you on Facebook? Make sure you join the Waterford Central UMC group!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

Camp E.D.G.E. (Experience & Discover God Everywhere) is June 22-26 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration forms are available in the church office. Our goal is 100 children. Make sure to invite your friends! Donations needed: craft sticks (popsicle sticks), light colored flannel - backed tablecloths, white or light colored cardboard jewelry boxes, tacky glue, green flora wire, 2 gallon size zip-close bags (available at Meijer), camp decorations. Volunteers needed: if you are interested contact Kathy for more details.

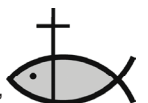
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www.kidscentralweb.org

ORDINATION AND GIFTS

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is still inviting love gifts for Rev. Wendy Lyons Chrostek as she prepares to take her leave of our faith community and enter a new ministry in Kansas City beginning July 1. This is a shared gift celebrating her recent ordination. Some have already shared a monetary gift for this. Rev. Chrostek will be taking a new appointment beginning July 1. Her last Sunday among us will be June 14. A reception will be held after worship service on that day to celebrate these events and honor her ministry. Love gifts are being received in the church office.

FISH PANTRY

The pantry is in need of the following items: Crackers, corn, spaghetti noodles, canned pasta, veggies, large baked beans, Jello, tuna, muffin mix, toilet paper, cereal, large peanut butter and jelly, cake mix and frosting, misc. vegetables, misc. health and beauty products.



TUESDAY STUDY GROUP

The next Tuesday morning study group is discussing "Jesus" by Marcus Borg in paperback, the cost is \$12. Please notify the church office if you want a copy. This study began on May 27. When this group gets together, we know we are in for a spirited discussion/ debate on how our faith journey relates to the world in which we live. So come to the parlor on Tuesday at 10 a.m. to see what it's all about.

ESCHTRUTH CIRCLE NOTICE

We will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tues., June 9, 2009 at the home of Velette Svenkesen for our annual potluck picnic. Cappy Murphy will be leading our "Prayer and Self-Denial" program that evening. Velette's address is 4124 Aquarina in Waterford.

WOMEN IN TRANSITION

Women in Transition will meet on Wednesday, June 24 at 12:30 in the Parlor for a Potluck Lunch. Please plan to join us!

CENTRAL KITCHEN USE

Attention all groups that use Central UMC kitchen: We will be having a kitchen clean-up/ work party on Saturday, June 6, 9:30 - 12:00 noon. Many hands make light work. Please reserve this date to help. We will try to have this work party every year on the first Saturday of June. Hope to see you there!

MEMORIAL GARDEN CARE

Much appreciation and a big thank you to the following who helped plant flowers in the Memorial Garden: Tina Graham, Nancy Radenbaugh, Kathy Reseigh, Liz Sawyers, Stephanie Shawl, Larry Spiece, and Lynn Vincent. We certainly appreciate their time and efforts in making the garden a special place of beauty. Two new dwarf lilacs were also planted this spring. In order to keep the garden looking beautiful, help is requested for weeding on the following dates at 9:30 a.m.: June 16, July 21 & August 18. Please bring your tools and gloves. Many hands make light work! If you have even 30 min. to one hour to spare, it would be greatly appreciated. Diana & Don Carter

FIFTH SUNDAY USHERS

For the past couple of years, we have been utilizing our youth as the fifth Sunday usher team. We appreciate all of the youth that have participated during these services. Starting in August, we will begin asking all of the regular usher teams to report on fifth Sundays at their service (9:00 or 10:30). In that way, we should have adequate coverage. Thank you.

CHIMES ERROR!!

The Birthdays/ Anniversary list you may have received in the recent Chimes mailing contains many errors. I mistakenly used a listing from years past... For an accurate listing, please see the corrected listing below. Please accept my deepest apologies. (I've thrown out the old list!)

June Birthdays

Best Wishes to the following members
Celebrating a Birthday of 80 years or more.

James Bensken, June 1
Cleg Bordeaux, June 7
Violet Jordan, June 8
Virginia Bensken, June 9
Jay Young, June 9
Glenn Wilson, June 14
Anita Heathman, June 15
Maxine Newman, June 18
Ingrid Gustavson, June 28

June Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following couples
Celebrating an Anniversary of 50 years
or more.

Joe and Mary Aperauch
50 years on June 27
Marv and Mary Wilson
62 Years on June 10
Robert and Juanita Beltz
58 years on June 11
Ken and Dee Bowers
50 years on June 24
Robert and Joanne Kaminskis
51 years on June 24
Harold and Florence Konzen
59 years on June 24
Roy and Beverly Chisnell
60 years on June 25
Sally and James Hon
59 Years on June 30

PHOTO TO RIGHT: Rev. Jim Kellermann, Rev. Wendy Chrostek and Wendy's Mentor, Rev. Judy May at Wendy's Ordination

ATTENTION GRADUATES

There will be a cake reception in your honor on Graduation Sunday, June 14 immediately following the single 10:00 a.m. service.

We hope you and your family will join us



FAMILY CAMPING

at Myers Lake Camp Ground

It is time to start planning for Summer vacation! CUMC has reserved two group camping sites at Myers Lake Camp Ground in Byron, MI for August 6 - 9. We need a minimum of 13 families and can accommodate up to 20. The cost is \$24.30/ night. Reservations must be made by June 28. The sign-up sheet is outside of the office. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Strobel.

ONE SERVICE FOR SUMMER

We will be going to a single service at 10:00 a.m. for the summer beginning on June 14. This will also be Wendy's last service. We will have a reception following the 10:00 service for both Wendy and Graduation Sunday. Please join us!

FIRST SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

If you are Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, their family or friends, Dedicated Reconciling United Methodists and Church & Society's inclusive ministry welcomes you! To some, the thought of "church" brings negative feelings to the surface and holds you back. Give us a chance. We want to meet you and include you. This is not a political group or a movement but rather a worship service for anyone who has found church to be an uncomfortable place, for any reason, but has missed it in your life. Come for refreshments and fellowship at 6:00 PM followed by Worship at 6:30. Message: by Rev. Karen Poole, Sunday, June 7, 2009, 6:30 PM. at Nardin Park Methodist



MEETING SCHEDULE


The office staff is in need of your schedules in order to update the calendar for the summer and the upcoming school year. Please get your meeting schedule in as soon as possible so that we can update the calendar and guaranty your date, time and room. Schedule request forms are available in the Church office. Thanks so much!

Support Staff of Central

WWW.WATERFORDCUMC.ORG

Missed a Sunday? Past sermons are available on the website at: www.waterfordcumc.org, The Pulpit/Worship Page. See pictures from the 2009 Confirmation Service on the website at: www.waterfordcumc.org, About Us/Members Page. Rev. Wendy Lyons Chrostek's Ordination is also on the website at: www.waterfordcumc.org, The Pulpit/ Wendy..

M.S. CRUISE FOR A CAUSE



The 2009 Cruise for a Cause is scheduled for July 23 with a rain date of July 30. While the event promises to be a fun and exciting collection of American-made classic cars around, event organizers take their motive very seriously, to help end the suffering of those with M. S. Cruiser Bob Swartz heads the effort with help from his fellow cruisers as they work diligently for months in advance to attract sponsors and attendees to the benefit. Area businesses donate trophies for selected participating vehicles, and fliers are delivered by hand by fellowship cruisers. "It's a great way to make new friends in the cruising world who share your interest while working towards a common goal; to end the suffering caused by M. S." -- Bob Swartz. The Fellowship Cruisers raised over \$3450 during last year's event. They hope to exceed that amount this year by making it the most successful Cruise of the club's five-year history. If you know of a local business that would like to help out the Michigan Multiple Sclerosis Chapter by getting involved with this year's Cruise for a Cause, please contact: Bob at 248-666-3703 or Jim at 248-681-7456

SUMMER HOURS

The office will be open Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. beginning the week of June 22 with the office closed on Friday, June 19. Please mark your calendar as a reminder of our summer hours.

UMW BOOK STUDY

This UMW Book study will be discussing *Sharing Food* by L. Shannon Jung beginning Monday, July 6 at 10 a.m. It is open to all women of the church and will meet the first Monday of every month. Jung, who teaches at St. Paul School of Theology, suggests that if Christians develop intentional practices of "mindful" eating, they will enjoy food more and connect with God. Jung explores practices such as praying before meals, hospitality, fasting and feasting. He also encourages that simple but often overlooked practice of "preparing food", that is, cooking. Jung discusses the Lord's Supper as the "master practice" of Christian eating, a ritual that transforms people, builds community, and reminds participants of their own "erodibility," thus connecting them to the Earth. He also considers the political and economic implications of culinary choices: he is concerned about the ways "American economic dominance impacts the global food system."



MEN'S SOFTBALL

Our Schedule is as follows:

June 8:
6:15 p.m at Clakston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Rd.
June 15
7:30 at St. Trinity, 7925 Sashabaw Rd. in Clarkston.
June 22
6:15 at First Missionary, 4832 Clintonville Rd. in Clarkston.
June 29
To Be Announced
July 6
6:15 at Silver Lake Nazarene, 520 W. Walton in Pontiac.
July 13
7:30 at New Hope, 8643 Sashabaw Rd. in Clarkston.
July 20
6:15 at Silver Lake (See Above)
July 27
To Be Announced
August 3 (if needed)

THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you,

For the prayers and cards on the death of Julia's mother, June Lang.

Sincerely,

Roger and Julia Crick,

Dear Church Family,

I just wanted to send you a note to thank you for all the love and support extended to us during this time of grief for us. I also appreciate the lovely planter sent to our family by the Church staff. It was a thoughtful gift. Thank you,

Becky Lund and Family

Change of Address

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662 Tennyson, No. 25
Rochester Hills
MI 48307
248-852-2325

Sara Hazen
3147 Golfhill Dr.
Waterford, MI 48329

TRIBE OF DANIEL

The Tribe of Daniel is a group associated with Worship Design. The passion of this ministry is to enhance the worship experience by decorating or illustrating seasonal themes. Usually our projects start out small and grow or change to climax at the end of the season. If you have any questions or are interested in joining us contact Myke Robson at (248) 698-0430.

UNEMPLOYMENT DINNER AND FORUM

How can Waterford Central best support those of you who have lost jobs or may soon do so? We would like to invite you and your families to a dinner and forum to share your stories and express your needs. Based on your response, future meetings with speakers with expertise in areas of financial & tax matters, job search & networking, spiritual/emotional support, and help with paperwork will be scheduled. Please come on June 14th from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Call the church office for reservations. Child care will be provided.