



Central United Methodist Church
A Reconciling Congregation

Organized 1810—Incorporated 1822 — Sanctuary completed 1867
Announcements: Sunday, December 10, 2023

SUNDAY EVENTS / CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday, December 10th, *Caroling to the Shutins*, 12:30 PM

Wednesday, December 13th, *Choir Rehearsal*, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, December 13, *Prophetic Imagination Advent Study*, 6:00 PM on Zoom

Zoom Meeting ID: 862 4025 9619, Passcode: 559635

Saturday, December 16th, *Lions Game*, 8:15 PM

NOTE: MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Saturday, January 20, 2024,
6th Floor Church Cleaning & Sorting at 10:00 AM

Adult Study Group w/ Cynthia Bradford, In the 2nd floor lounge

Lessons:

December 10 - *Preparing to Celebrate the Coming of the Lord*

December 17 - *The Early Life of the Baby Jesus - Before and After birth*

December 24 - *No Class*

December 31 - *The Greatness of God's Faithfulness*

The Sunday evening Adult Class led by Marcus Dickson is taking a hiatus until after Thanksgiving. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Wed. evening Bible Study with Rev. Paul Perez instead

NURTURING & CIRCLE OF CARE

The following people are in assisted living, confined to their homes or institution, are ill, or in need of special prayers:

Leslie Allen
Donald Crawford
Christina Graham
Naomi Mason
Susan Wabeke

Amy Boyette
Charles & Josefina Ford
Gloria Hall-White
Dia Pearce

Faith Carpenter
Selma Good
Stella Harden
Frank & Minnie Ross

December Birthdays

2nd Justinn Bernard	7th Cameron Davis	22nd Margaret Reese
3rd Janet Moody	8th Helen Monroe	28th Reginald Bradford
3rd Heaven Bernard	15th Clara Lawrence	29th Nicole Gerring
10th Mary Park	18th Gloria Hall-White	29th Tyrone Touchstone
10th Randy Priest	21st Wm (Tom) Robinson	31st Anne Hillman
11th Jim Bull		

Sunday School Information

Nursery

The church nursery is located on the 1st floor behind the reception desk. It is currently open for use by any families who need a separate space with their littlest ones. Central UMC is in the process of finding a regular Nursery Worker to staff the nursery on Sunday mornings.

Sunday School

The K-5th Grade class meets weekly while the Youth class meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Children and youth are invited to start Sunday mornings in the sanctuary with their families and travel up to the 3rd floor Sunday School rooms after the Children's Message. Children in the K-5th grade class must be picked up on the 3rd floor after worship by a parent or approved adult. Youth will be released after worship to join their families on the 2nd floor for coffee hour.

Worship Activity Packs

Children are welcome to take one of the activity packs located in the Grace Space. Within each pack is an activity and coloring page, crayons, pipe cleaners, plain paper, and worship stickers. The stickers can be placed in the bulletin for the week to mark the different parts of the service.

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NOAH BAG LUNCH PROJECT

REMINDER: Our quarterly bag lunch project is scheduled for Sun., December 17, 2023. Those members who have participated since the inception know that we make and bring 25 sandwiches to church on the designated Sunday. For anyone interested in joining us, here is the process:

1. Each member makes 25 sandwiches using:
 - A. Wheat bread
 - B. Meat (choice of bologna, ham, turkey or chicken)
 - C. Cheese (choice of cheddar, Swiss, or American)
2. The sandwiches will consist of 1 slice of cheese and 2 slices of meat or vice versa.
3. Place sandwiches in individual sandwiches bags.
4. Label your bag (ex. 10 chicken, 15 bologna)

If you have any questions, please contact the committee.

Helen Monroe 313-461-9560. Elin Chambers 313-850-7473. Susan Frances 313-530-8109

Advent Ingathering

Two ways to you can offer care and support during the Advent and Christmas Seasons. Drop off items on Sunday's during worship from now until January 4.

Sanctuary Family — Clothes for Hassan

HASSAN IS GROWING!

Help Zahatia and Douda keep up by donating new or gently used 24 month winter/cooler weather clothing.

***#StrikeCity Donation Drive — Support strikers at
MGM Casino!***

HELP KEEP STRIKERS WARM & FAMILIES FED!

Suggested items: Warm jackets, gloves & other winter gear, diapers, baby formula, Feminine hygiene, non-perishable food items + cleaning supplies

Message from Margaret (Maggie) Reese
Why not try out the choir during Advent?
Please see Maggie Reese after service if you think this is something you might want to do this next coming month.

PASTORAL CARE
*If you know of a Pastoral Care issue please contact the church office,
313-965-5422 or
revpaul@centralumchurchdetroit.org

Faith Book Club

The Next Meeting of the **Faith Book Club** will be held Wednesday, December 27th, 12-2:00 PM at Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery. Our new book is *Tracking Wonder: Reclaiming a Life of Meaning and Possibility in a World Obsessed with Productivity* by Jeffrey Davis.

"Discover how the lost art of wonder can help you cultivate greater creativity, resilience, meaning, and joy as you bring your greatest contributions to life. Tracking Wonder is a welcome guide for experiencing more meaning and joy in the present moment".

Contact Jo-Ann Snyder, Carol Cook Reid or Janet Moody for more information

