



**Central United Methodist Church
A Reconciling Congregation**

Organized 1810—Incorporated 1822 — Sanctuary completed 1867
Announcements: Sunday, October 15, 2023

SUNDAY EVENTS / CALENDAR

Monday, October 16, *Trustees Meeting*, 6:30 PM
Wednesday, October 18, *Midweek At Central*, 5:30 PM
Wednesday, October 18, *Choir Rehearsal*, 6:30 PM

There will be an interment of Celeste Powell’s ashes in the memorial garden after Sunday worship on October 22, 2023, 11:45 AM.

BRUNCH BUNCH – Oct. 22nd after worship, 12:00 PM

For young adults and young professionals, please join for a time of food, fun, and fellowship. We will walk to a restaurant close-by the church after worship on Sunday, October 22nd. We ask that each individual contribute \$5, and the church will cover the rest! If you are interested in joining, please contact Clara Zundel: 586-871-4487, clarazundel@gmail.com

Please note **Charge/Church Conference** this year will be on Sunday, November 5, 2023.
**SPR will meet on Zoom that day at 1:45 PM and
the Charge Conference will begin at 2:30 PM on Zoom**

**Adult Study Group w/ Cynthia Bradford, In the 2nd floor lounge
Sunday Lessons:**

October 22 - *Listening for God's Voice In All Things*
October 29 - *Declaring Your Stand With God*

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

October Birthdays

2nd	Briana Parker	10th	William Francis	16th	John McDougall
4th	Ruth Biersdorf	10th	Zahatia Sorho	18th	Carlyn Robinson
5th	Karai Jackson	11th	Charles Ford	19th	Rev. Paul Perez
6th	Abraham Ellison	12th	Arthur Park	23rd	Elin Chambers
7th	Sylvia Oatley	14th	Kevin Cartwright	26th	Michael Dickson

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.

Midweek @ Central for October 18, 2023

Dinner Menu: Lasagna (Meat & Vegetarian), Tossed Salad, Veggies & Dip

Adult Program: Mark 11:1-13:37, Lectio Divina Text – Entering Jerusalem

Kid/Youth Program: T-Shirt Art Project & Praying with Meditation: Finger Labyrinths

Intergenerational Activity: Water Rights Advocacy with MWRO

A donation of \$5 person or \$20 per family is requested to offset the cost of dinner. Weekly menus and program topics will be published in the Sunday bulletin.

Faith Book Club Resumes!

The Faith Book Club (that has met for years) is going to begin meeting again for the first time after COVID. Please join us on the last Wednesday of every month at Swords into Plowshares Art Center & Gallery.

Our first meeting will be Wednesday, October 25th, 12 noon.

Our first book is Rebecca Solnit's *Hope in the Dark*.

Summary: The book is a long essay that discusses social and environmental activism and uprisings from the mid-to late 20th Century to the present. Solnit uses this history of protesters, writers, and workers to argue that hope is the necessary catalyst for actions.

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

Amy Boyette
Charles & Josefina Ford
Gloria Hall-White
Frank & Minnie Ross

Faith Carpenter
Selma Good
Stella Harden
Susan Wabeke