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Church Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

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Worship

Sunday, October 1, 2017

10:15 a.m.

17th Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday

Sermon Title:

Having the Mind of Christ

Rev. Dr. Naim Ateek

Scriptures:

Philippians 2:1–13
and Matthew 22:34–40

Hymns:

318 *In Christ There Is*

No East or West

583 *Gloria, Gloria*

448 *Peace of God Be*
with You

606 *Praise God, from*

Whom All Blessings Flow

530 *One Bread, One Body*

772 *Live into Hope*

October is Pastor

Appreciation Month

Now we ask you, brothers
and sisters, to acknowledge
those who work hard among
you, who care for you in the
Lord and who admonish you.
Hold them in the highest
regard in love because of
their work. Live in peace with
each other.

– 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

Top stories...



Rev. Dr. Naim Ateek to
preach during World Com-
munion Sunday worship



The annual Hunger
Hike is Sunday,
October 8



The annual *Blessing of the
Animals* is this coming
Wednesday at 6:15pm



New Members & Inquirers
classes are scheduled for
October 15, 22 & 29



Pedalin' Presbyterians
to ride High Trestle Trail,
Sunday, October 8



Dr. Ateek to preach on World Communion Sunday, October 1

We are very fortunate to have the Rev. Dr. Naim Ateek at Central on World Communion Sunday, October 1. He will preach a sermon entitled *Having the Mind of Christ*, and then stay for a lunch discussion. The Rev. Dr. Naim Ateek is an Anglican priest who was born in Palestine.

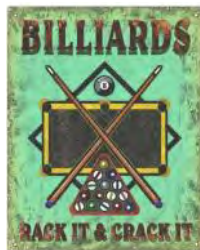
A graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Church Divinity School of the Pacific and San Francisco Theological Seminary, Ateek has served churches in Haifa and Nazareth and at St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem. He founded the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem, and is the author of several books including *A Palestinian Christian Cry for Reconciliation* and *A Palestinian Theology of Liberation: The Bible, Justice, and the Palestine-Israel Conflict*. He is often called the "Desmond Tutu of Palestine."

Sunday education for adults – the topic is *A Reformation Celebration*

As we approach the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation in October, the five Sundays in October will be devoted to the personalities who shaped and influenced the protestant reformation. Through DVDs that vividly bring to life the Reformation, its colorful leaders, history-shaping turning points and lively discussion adults will have the chance to develop an understanding of why this happened and what is the future of protestant Christianity. Classes will start at 9:00 a.m. in Room 201 and are led by Christian Education Director **Greg Halterman**.



- Oct. 1 *John Wycliffe & Jan Hus*
- Oct. 8 *Martin Luther*
- Oct. 15 *The Swiss Reformation – Ulrich Zwingli & John Calvin*
- Oct. 22 *The Anabaptists – Michael & Margaretha Sattler*
- Oct. 29 *William Tyndale*



The Men's Retreat is tonight!

All men, single or married, are invited to the Men's Retreat. Food will be provided along with card games and of course, billiards in the basement of the **Halterman/Vargas** home at 3822 Lindlavista Way in Des Moines. We'll meet from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Bring your favorite beverage and \$10. RSVPs to: **J.R. Dennis** at 515-314-1191, james.jr.dennis@gmail.com or **Greg Halterman** at 515-279-3658, ghalterman@dmcpc.org.



Hunger Hike is October 8—join the walk to raise funds

The 2017 activities start at 1:30 p.m. at the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates, 100 Locust St., Des Moines. The 3-mile walk will be along the Principal Riverwalk. To make a contribution, go to desmoineshungerhike.org.

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Upcoming @Central

Friday, September 29

6–9pm Men’s Retreat

Saturday, September 30

5–8pm Women’s Retreat

Sunday, October 1

9:00am Education Hour
10:15am Worship
11:15am Fellowship
11:45pm Lunch discussion
with Naim Ateek

Monday, October 2

4:30pm Worship Cmte
7pm Communications
Cmte

Tuesday, October 3

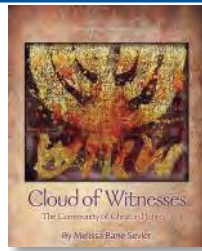
9:30am Staff mtg
5pm Tutoring
7pm Christian Educ.
Cmte

Wednesday, October 4

10:00am Bible Study
5pm Bldg & Grnds
Cmte
5:00pm LOGOS children
6:15pm LOGOS dinner &
youth
6:15pm *Blessing of the
Animals* service
6:30pm Human Resources
Cmte
6:30pm Knitting group
7pm Confirmation
7:30pm Chancel Choir
rehearsal

Thursday, October 5

7am Business &
Finance Cmte
8:45am Morgen Bells
rehearsal
5pm WCC Cmte



Wednesday morning Bible Study

adults can join the Presbyterian Women’s produced *Horizons* Bible study: *Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*. Written by Melissa Bane Sevier, a teaching elder in the PC(USA) and Sung Hee Chang, a Union Presbyterian Seminary faculty member, this study approaches the book of Hebrews through a lens of peace, peacemaking and hope. Join study facilitator **Sue Heggen** on Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. in Room 112.

A Wednesday evening parents dinner and social

For parents of children in our Wednesday evening LOGOS activities...

Drop the kids off at church and head over to the Cheese Bar for some great food and an informal get-together with other Central parents on Wednesday, Oct. 11 from 5:00 to 6:45 p.m., at The Cheese Bar, 2925 Ingersoll Ave. in Des Moines.

Look for an evite, or RSVP to Wallace W. Bubar, 515-279-3658, wbubar@dmcpc.org.



New Members & Inquirers class to start in October



For three Sunday sessions, October 15, 22 and 29, 11:45 a.m.–1:00 p.m., in the Fireside Room, we’ll meet to learn more about our congregation, programs and ministries, how we organize to get things done and what it means to be a Presbyterian. More importantly, it offers a chance for you to get to know our church staff and some of our members, while also connecting with others who are new to the church. Lunch will be served and childcare is available. If you’d like to sign up, or have questions, contact Wallace Bubar at 515-279-3658 or wbubar@dmcpc.org.



Organ Concert to be held in memory of Robert Speed

On Sunday, October 8, at 4:00 p.m., a memorial concert in honor of the late Robert M. Speed, former Central music director, will be held at [West Des Moines United Methodist Church](#), 720 Grand Ave., West Des Moines.

Featured organists include: Mark Babcock, Carl Gravender, David Raymond, Deanna Snyder and former organ students of Bob’s. The Grand View Choir will also present choral music composed by Professor Speed. The event is sponsored by the Central Iowa Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and free and open to the public.

Save the date for AMOS Action!

Accountability Session with Candidates for Des Moines

City Council, Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2017, 7:30–8:30 p.m.

(registration is at 7:00 p.m.) Plymouth Church, 4126 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines

(For details, see bulletin boards at Central or go to www.amosiowa.org.)



A new opportunity to vote for Central!

Cityview’s Best of Des Moines’ 2018 Awards ballot is now open for nominations and we’d like your help as there is one category that Center is eligible for:

#226 Best Place to Worship (type in: Central Presbyterian Church, Des Moines)

Please use the link below to vote for our congregation! One entry per person. Winners will be announced in February. www.dmcityview.com/2018-best-of-des-moines-ballot/ **Thank you!**



Pedalin’ Presbyterian’s final ride of the season is October 8

This is a definite bucket list destination ride! On Sunday, October 8, we’ll meet at the Whistlin’ Donkey, 111 N. Main St., Woodward and ride to Madrid over the High Trestle Bridge. We plan to arrive in the parking lot around 5:15 p.m. and start riding at 5:30 p.m. The round trip is approximately 12 miles. If you don’t want to ride, meet us around 6:30 p.m. at the Whistlin’ Donkey. Contact Beth Triebel, 515-681-5295, drt@vision-park.com.



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RELIEF LINKS:**

Give: *Disaster Relief –
for national, international
and special disasters*
<http://pda.pcusa.org/>

To contribute to a specific
cause, go to:
www.presbyterianmission.org/donate/categories/disaster-response/

Gifts can be made online, at
800-872-3283; or by check
noting in memo line which
disaster you want covered.
Then mail to:
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
P.O. Box 643700
Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

Act: Learn how you can help
families who have lost every-
thing in the devastation. Stay
informed and like us on
Facebook, download
resources and share updates.
Read more about our various
disaster responses from the
Presbyterian News Service:
www.presbyterianmission.org/story/category/disaster-assistance/



Blessing of the Animals Service is October 4

On Wednesday, October 4, at 6:15 p.m., bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, rabbits, guinea pigs, ferrets, turtles, snakes and any other creatures —on leashes or in carriers, please— for a fun, casual, outdoor service on the south patio and lawn at Central. This service is celebrating the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and ecology.

Get ready for the 3rd annual Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat is right around the corner! Have you thought of a trunk theme or costume yet? This year’s event will take place Wednesday, October 25 at 5:00 p.m. Children and adults will start at 5:00 p.m. with a Halloween fun house in the church basement, then a potluck in Fellowship Hall, followed by *Trunk or Treat* in the east parking lot. This is a great way for all ages to enjoy the festivities. If you are decorating your trunk, get here early as parking is limited to the east lot!
Potluck assignments are by last name: A–I = entree, J–P = drinks, Q–Z = salad or fruit side dish.



Take note of the upcoming fall activities:

- Sept. 306:00pm Women’s Retreat @Mary Gordon home
- Oct. 1.....10:15am *World Communion Sunday* Discussion & Lunch with Rev. Dr. Naim Ateek
- Oct. 4..... 6:30 p.m..... Blessings of the Animals on south lawn
- Oct. 8..... 2:00 p.m..... Des Moines Hunger Hike
- Oct. 8..... 11:30 a.m..... Foundation Board orientation
- Oct. 22..... 5–7pm..... Stewardship Dinner at Colby Park
- Oct. 25..... 5–7pm..... *Trunk or Treat*
- Nov. 4..... 9am–Noon Fall Clean-up Work Day
- Nov. 11..... Noon Holiday Market Kick-off luncheon
- Nov. 14..... 9:30am–3pm... Presbytery of Des Moines meets @Central
- Nov. 15..... 6:15pm LOGOS Dinner with Friends
- Nov. 30..... 7:00pm Southwest Community College Choir sings @Central
- Dec. 1 & 2..... 9am–5pm Holiday Market 2017

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, October 22

Everyone is invited to the annual Stewardship Dinner **from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.** at Colby Park, 6900 School Street in Windsor Heights. Mark your calendar for a fun evening of faith, friendship and family! Dinner will be provided along with entertainment for kids and adults alike!

Gifts of
Gratitude

The event’s format is intentionally designed for families; childcare will be available.

Make your reservation now by contacting the church office at 515-279-3658 or segge@dmcpc.org.

A wonderful way to celebrate our church and our future!