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**Church Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday  
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Friday  
8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

**26th Sunday**  
**after Pentecost**

**Nov. 18, 2018, 10:15 a.m.**

*Baptisms*

**Sermon:**

*When the World Falls Apart*  
**Rev. Wallace W. Bubar**

**Scriptures:**

Daniel 12:1–3 and  
Mark 13:1–8

**Hymns:**

275 *A Mighty Fortress*  
*Is Our God*  
605 *Praise to God the Father*  
492 *You Belong to Christ*  
352 *My Lord!*  
*What a Morning*  
353 *My Hope Is Built*  
*on Nothing Less*

**Music:** Chancel Choir and  
the Children's Chorus

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posts and events! Go to:

[www.facebook.com/centralpresdm/](http://www.facebook.com/centralpresdm/)



Top stories...



Help us rake leaves,  
clean the cobwebs and  
spruce up the building.



Don't forget your pledge  
card for the offering  
plate. Thank you!



Would you like to  
help with Hanging  
of the Greens?



Holiday Market is fast  
approaching; please put  
your yard sign out now!



The Angel Tree is up!  
Select a tag; get a gift  
for a Calvin resident.

Fall Fun Work Day is tomorrow, November 17, 9:00 a.m.–Noon!

**Outdoor projects:**

Raking giant leaf piles  
Trim & clean planting beds

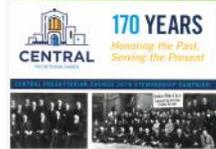
**Indoor projects:**

Sanctuary pew cleaning  
Cleaning windows

Everyone is encouraged to join in the fun! Bring your gloves, a rake or clippers and enjoy the fellowship and fun, there is a project for everyone, all ages! Snacks and beverages are provided.



Don't forget to bring your pledge cards to church!



For 2018, the congregation pledged a total of \$510,000 toward the church operating budget. As we look toward 2019, we are setting a goal of \$550,000 in pledged income. This will enable us to continue to grow and expand our ministries.

In the past few weeks, we've heard about the ways in which your gifts are making a difference here at Central and in the Community. Our stewardship effort culminated on Sunday, November 11. All are invited to turn in your pledge cards as soon as possible. Thank you.

Join our adult education class Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

In November we will focus on the impact in Iowa and the Midwest and how immigration policies and enforcement have changed the face of U.S. cities.



**November 18, *Abrazos* (Hugs in English)** – This film tells the transformational story of a group of U.S. citizen children who travel 3,000 miles, from Worthington, Minnesota, to Guatemala, to meet their grandparents and other family members for the first time. After being separated for nearly two decades, these families share stories, strengthen traditions and begin to reconstruct their cultural identity.



*Pursuit of a Dream – James Jordan: His Life and His Legacy*  
**Louise Gately** will talk about her groundbreaking new book on November 18, at 11:30 a.m. The book reveals Jordan's important role in making Des Moines the capital city of Iowa and his impact on the Presbyterian church. Lunch will be provided for a free-will offering and book proceeds will benefit the Historic Valley Junction Foundation.

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**Upcoming @Central****Friday, November 16**

Noon Church closes

**Saturday, November 17**

9:00am Fall Fun/Work Day

**Sunday, November 18**

9:00am Education Hour  
9:30am Chancel Choir  
10:15am Worship  
11:15am Fellowship  
11:30am Pursuit of a Dream  
book discussion & lunch  
6:00pm Senior High  
Sunday activity  
7:00pm Stewardship Team

**Tuesday, November 20**

No Power Read

**Wednesday, November 21**

No Bible Study  
No LOGOS  
No Chancel Choir

**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY****Thursday, November 22 &****Friday, November 23**

Church office  
closed

**Sunday, November 25**

9:30am Chancel Choir  
10:15am Worship  
11:15am Fellowship Time  
4:00pm Hanging of the  
Greens

**Monday, November 26**

8:30am Holiday Market  
Committee meets  
5:30pm Session

**Tuesday, November 27**

9:30am Staff meeting  
5:00pm Power Read

**Pastor will be on vacation**

From Nov. 19–25, 2018, if you have a pastoral emergency during this time, contact **Medea Saunders**, at 515-418-0059 or [revmudd@gmail.com](mailto:revmudd@gmail.com). Medea is a United Methodist pastor and hospice chaplain who has preached and spoken in our adult classes at Central. Guest preacher on November 25 will be the **Rev. Tim Diebel**, who served for 19 years as pastor of First Christian Church in Des Moines.

**Hanging of the Greens at Central is November 25**

On Sunday, November 25, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., volunteers are welcome to come help the members of the Worship Committee decorate the church for the Advent season.

**Angel Tree will be in East Parlor Sunday, November 17**

Join in our annual gifts to Calvin Community seniors by getting a tag off the Angel Tree in the East Parlor. Each tag represents a gift for residents in the health care units. To participate:

1. Take an angel tag(s) from the tree.
2. Sign your name, telephone number and email address to the corresponding tag number on the clipboard list.
3. Purchase a front zipper or button-up sweatshirt or sweater in the appropriate size and gender as on angel tag(s).
4. You can add more gifts (i.e., socks, t-shirts and other items), if appropriate for older adults.
5. Please giftwrap and **attach angel tag to package**.
6. Return gift(s) to the church by Dec. 6, 2018, and check off your name on the list.

**Signup to be a volunteer for the 2018 Holiday Market!**

The annual market is slated for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 2018. In its ninth year, the event is part of the annual Salisbury House *Holly & Ivy Tour* (Nov. 30 & Dec. 1). The Holiday Market is FREE and open to the public! Currently we have a tour bus coming from Missouri! If you'd like to volunteer for the market experience, contact volunteer coordinator **Jean Hamilton**, at [jehmlt5@aol.com](mailto:jehmlt5@aol.com) or 515-282-2638.

Central is famous for our soup luncheon. This year, we have four easy recipes: Mushroom Barley, Herby Chicken Rice, Italian Sausage and Chili. You can help by making some on your own. Recipes are in the East Parlor or contact **Laura Covill**, at 515-491-6494 or [laura.covill@dmu.edu](mailto:laura.covill@dmu.edu). **NOTE: the soup making party planned for Saturday, November 17, has been cancelled due to the fall work day being re-scheduled for the same day.**

Yard signs, posters, fliers and postcards are available in the church office and East Parlor. Share them with your friends and family. Don't forget to 'like' our Facebook page; click on the event or the QR code here to 'share' or tell us you're going! Feel free to contact Communications Director **Kim Coulter**, at 515-279-3658 or [kcoulter@dmcpc.org](mailto:kcoulter@dmcpc.org), for help on how to share.



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### SWCC Chamber Singers Christmas Concert is Thursday, November 29

The Southwestern Community College Chamber Singers will present their annual Christmas concert, Thursday, November 29, at 7:30 p.m. in Central's sanctuary. The SWCC Chamber Singers feature the amazing voices of students, from across the United States and Canada, who have come to SWCC in Creston to attend the college's School for Music Vocations. This year they will perform *Holiday Carols in Concert*, containing masterworks by J.S. Bach, Shaw, Hogan, Rachmaninoff and Mattson, as well as pieces written by director Ryan Howe. The public is invited to attend. A free-will offering will be accepted at the concert.



### Nomination forms are available at the church

It is time to submit the names of Central Presbyterian Church members (please include yourself if you are interested) that you feel should be considered by the Nominating Committee for the following positions: Board of Deacons, Ruling Elder, Foundation Board and the Nominating Committee. Forms are available in the literature racks and church office or email your suggestions to Office Manager **Sheri Egge**, at [segge@dmcp.org](mailto:segge@dmcp.org).

### Donations for poinsettias and holiday decorations

Your contribution to the holiday decoration fund will help us purchase: outdoor Christmas planters; poinsettias for the Sanctuary, Narthex, East Parlor and 39th Street Lobby (December 16–30); fresh greenery and floral arrangements on the reredos (December 16, 23 & 24). Order forms are available in the Narthex, 39th Street Lobby and church office. Complete and return to the offering plate or office by Monday, Dec. 10.



### Children and youth present annual musical December 9, during worship.

*Light of the World*, by Mark Patterson, combines original songs and familiar carols from around the world to tell the Christmas story. Through narration, drama and song, choristers share how Jesus came to be the "Light of the World" over 2,000 years ago. The narration begins with the story of creation, turns to the prophetic words of Isaiah and then recounts the events of Jesus' birth. Throughout the musical, a single burning candle symbolizes the light of Christ. At the end, all are invited to take the light into the world.

### Intergenerational Advent craft workshop is December 2 at 9:00 a.m.

On Sunday, December 2, at 9:00 a.m., in Fellowship Hall, join the Christian Education Department for an Advent Craft Workshop! We will have ceramic ornaments to paint, provided by "Whatta Dish" in Valley Junction. Families will also have an opportunity to make an Advent wreath to help prepare hearts and minds for the coming Messiah. The children will start at 9:00 a.m. in their respective classrooms to learn the meaning of Advent, then we will transition to Fellowship Hall to share a continental breakfast and usher in the 2018 Advent season. All crafts are compliments of the CE Department.

### Sign up for the 2019 annual youth Ski Trip

Middle school, senior high and parents are invited for the ski trip, Jan. 19–20, 2019, to Afton Alps, Minn. Cost is \$180 and includes two meals, lodging, transportation, lift tickets and ski rentals. Make reservations by contacting Christian Education Director **Greg Halterman**, at 515-279-3658 or [ghalterman@dmcp.org](mailto:ghalterman@dmcp.org).

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St. Paul Presbyterian Church offers alternative gifts

St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 6426 Merle Hay Road in Johnston is hosting the fourth annual [Johnston Alternative Gift Market](#) on Saturday, December 1, from 10:00 a.m.–2:00

p.m. *Honor those who have enough by giving to those who have too little!* Come shop for your loved ones, purchase a “gift” from over a dozen local and international non-profits. Each gift includes a beautiful holiday card with a gift description from the non-profit to send to those honored by your gift.



**breadfortheworld**  
HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

In February 2019, Central’s World and Community Concerns Committee will hold an *Offering of Letters* to our Iowa senators and representatives that urges them to pass legislation to provide funding for programs that aim to end hunger.



Take note of these fall activities @Central:

- Nov. 17 ..... 9am..... Fall Fun/Work Day @Central
- Nov. 22 & 23..... **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, Church office is closed**
- Nov. 25 ..... 4pm ..... Hanging of the Greens
- Nov. 29 ..... 7:30am–7pm . Holiday Market 2018 Set-up
- Nov. 29 ..... 7:30pm ..... SWCC Chamber Choir Concert
- Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 ... 9am–5pm .... Holiday Market 2018
- Dec. 9 ..... 10:15am ..... Children’s Christmas Musical
- Dec. 9 ..... 5pm ..... Blue Christmas service
- Dec. 16 ..... 4pm ..... Service of Lessons & Carols
- Dec. 24 ..... 5pm & 7pm... Christmas Eve services
- Dec. 25 ..... **CHRISTMAS DAY HOLIDAY Church office is closed**



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Your giving, our unity and work, all are making an impact. You give and important things happen. Lives are changed. **To start giving** your pledge or contribution using Electronic Funds Transfer, go online to: <https://wp.dmcpc.org/give>. Choose “one-time” donation or “recurring ongoing gifts” for monthly or annual web giving. **You can now use the new I Give Electronically card in the pew holders when the offering plate is passed. Thank you!**



**170 YEARS**  
*Honoring the Past,  
Serving the Present*

**Pledged income**

Goal: \$550,000      **Received: \$262,699**

**Participation (households)**

Goal: 170      **Received: 80**

**New pledges**

Goal: 14      **Received: 3**

**\$170 giving increase challenge**

Goal: 156      **Received: 33**

*As of Tuesday, November 13*

