

## LIFE AT CENTRAL

April 17, 2011

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Please remember to pray for those members and friends of our congregation who are receiving treatment for cancer, including: **Bob Evenhouse, Gavin Hollemans, Andrew Lotz, Bill Mills, Ellie Roets, Esther Van Allsburg, and Ann Wolters.**

**WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY** to **Todd and Joy Eckstein** in the death of Todd's father, Ronald Eckstein. He died on Tuesday, April 12 at the age of 83 in Pennsylvania. Their address is 2656 Lenwood Lane NE, GR MI 49525.

### ADULT EDUCATION TODAY

at 11:00 AM in the Parlor

**Rev. John Paul Sundararajan from Audio Scripture Ministries**

Our Lenten offering will be going to Audio Scripture Ministries, a faith-based non-profit organization in Holland, MI. Through ASM we will be supporting the work of Rev. John Paul Sundararajan and his wife, Katy, who are worshipping with us today. Please join this dynamic couple as they share stories of their work in India helping local organizations produce audio recordings of God's Word in giving non-readers access to the Bible in their own language.

**SEDER DINNER & MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE:** Please join us this **Thursday, April 21 at 5:45 PM** for our **Annual Seder Dinner**. Seder is a re-enacting of Passover, God's Old Testament liberation of the Jewish people from slavery. Particular emphasis is given to children: their questions about the mighty acts of God and how to live as the people of God. Families with young children will be especially blessed by participating. We celebrate the Seder because Christians believe that the Last Supper of Jesus with his disciples was a Seder. It was at this supper that Jesus instituted the new covenant of Communion. A family style dinner is part of the Seder ritual. Our menu includes chicken, pasta, salad and dessert. The dinner will be followed by a **Prayer Service** in the Dykstra Chapel. We invite you all to participate in this service of the Lord's Supper and Meditative Prayer. *Please sign up today in the Atrium if you would like to attend the dinner.*

**76TH ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNITY SERVICE** will be held this **Friday, April 22 from noon to 2:00 PM at Central**. This historic service features hymn singing, a choral anthem, solos by some of the finest soloists in the area, and meditations from downtown clergy on the Seven Last Words of Christ. Participating churches this year are Westminster Presbyterian, First United Methodist, La Grave Avenue Christian Reformed, First (Park) Congregational, the Cathedral of St. Andrew, St. Mark's Episcopal, and Central Reformed. Offerings will be donated to God's Kitchen here in Grand Rapids. *Childcare will be available.*



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**CHURCH DIRECTORY COMING SOON:** Please check the pages of the directory that are on the tables in the Atrium for any changes/updates that need to be made. The new directory will be in your mailboxes soon. Thank you!

**HUNGER WALK—MAY 7:** *Three weeks until the Hunger Walk!* Look for the table in the Atrium and sign up to walk, sponsor, or volunteer. We have a great group of walkers from Central and we would love to have you join us! Monies raised support 19 local and 4 international agencies. Contact Deb Byl at 285-9218 or [debrabyl@comcast.net](mailto:debrabyl@comcast.net).

**ADDIE'S DINER:** A Crew of Central folks will serve a hot, nutritious meal ó with a side order of human dignity ó to the hungry people of our community this Tuesday, April 19, at Addie's Diner 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Addie's Diner happens on the first and third Tuesday of every month. A crew of 12 people is needed to help serve the meal and clean up afterwards. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Faye Myers or Sally Bulhuis. *"I was hungry, and you gave me food"* (Matthew 25:35)

**UPCOMING BARKER CONCERT:** In lieu of the performance of *Noye's Fludde* that was scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, the Barker Series is pleased to welcome back *Ensemble Montage* for a performance on **Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm**. *Ensemble Montage* is a collective of eleven professional musicians based in Grand Rapids, and is dedicated to presenting kaleidoscopic combinations of chamber music ranging from the baroque trio sonata to modern-day compositions. Formed in 1997, the group specializes in repertoire which combines strings, woodwinds, piano, and optional percussion. The concert is free and open to the public. Be sure to stay for a post-concert reception in the Atrium and have an opportunity to meet these talented artists!

**SUMMER HELP NEEDED:** Sunday morning shepherds, teachers and nursery care providers are needed for KidZ Central Summer Programming for June, July and August. Let Marybeth Timmer know ASAP which weeks you may be available to help.

**WORSHIP CENTER LEADERS AND GREETERS ARE NEEDED** for the 2011-2012 Calendar Year for Kindergarten through 4th grade. Training will be offered. If you are interested in the Children In Worship Program, please contact **Marybeth Timmer, Gretchen Munroe, or Carol Austin**.

**FAIR TRADE COFFEE:** A portion of the purchase price goes back to those who grow and harvest the coffee. If you would like to be a sponsor sign up in the Atrium or with Coleen Hamman. This week's coffee sponsors are **John & Nancy Norden**.

**THANK YOU:**

Thank you so much for all the cards, visits, calls and prayers during my illness. I am blessed to have Central's caring and prayerful family. *Charlotte Geelhoed*

## KidZ Central Schedule

### TODAY: KidZ Central

- É 9:30 AMô Palm Sunday KidZ Drama & Songs.
- É 10:00 AMô Palm Sunday movie, feast, and activities in Garden of Eden Room.
- É 1 1:00 AMô KidZ Meet Jesusødonkey and colt on the church lawn.

**EASTER SUNDAY:** The True Story of Easter. Worship Centers will meet. No second hour.

ø*What's the Matter With KidZ?*” performance date Sunday, June 12 and dinner theater ø*Our Town*” Saturday, June 25. Rehearsals in MAY. Parts are available for all age groups.

**KIDZ STUFF SALE:** June 17-18. Please save any used clothing, toys, games, or furniture for the sale. Proceeds will go to VBS programing. Contact CMT member, Sue Ellen Vander Zee at 308-1747 if you have KidZ items to donate.

**KIDZ ARTWORK** from 2010/2011 school year on display in the Atriumô May 8ô 15.

## Y<sup>o</sup>uth Newz

No Clubs tonight!!!

SH Breakfast Club is at **Cracker Barrel this Wednesday** from 6:30am till school.

**I NEED DEPOSIT\$ FOR CHICAGO ASAP!** If you didn't RSVP by now, check with todd to make sure there's still room!!!

Junior High Lock-In date has been moved to April 29 (overnight till morning of the 30<sup>th</sup>)...stay tuned for details! And YOUTH SUNDAY will be Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>!!!

Next youth Addie's Diner is **TUESDAY, May 3.** The team for the night is: *Alex W, Bethany T, Lauren H, Cassidy C, Jordan C, Abby B and Madeline H.* Plan to serve from 5:45-7:15pm.

Next **JH Breakfast Club** will happen on Friday, May 6 at 6:30am at Wolfgangs.

Upcoming meal/providers: 4/17 – Cancelled, 4/24 – No Club (Easter), 5/1 - Boeve



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**ACTIVITIES**

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Banner Bearer  
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Crucifer  
Visitor Hosts  
KidZ Welcome Center  
Bedingfield Library  
Ushers  
Sound  
Security  
Infant Nursery  
2s/3s Nursery

**TODAY**

Emma Andrew, Judith Ernst  
Jimmy Timmer  
Jack Bennett  
David Lunderberg  
Jack Baas, Greg Verseput  
Ozinga family  
Pat Mills  
Rick Davis, David Kok  
Stu Stewart  
Bryan Snoeyer  
Mary Gerbens  
Leslie Hooker

**APRIL 24**

Emma Andrew, Judith Ernst  
Molly Taylor  
Grace Van Renterghem  
Jeremy Ernst  
Dan Ballast, Joan Neckers  
Krause family  
  
Tim Hoezee, Greg Verseput  
Tom Smith  
David Hooker

**CALENDAR**

<b>SUNDAY 4/17</b>	9:30 AM 11:00 AM 11:00 AM	Worship Serviceô Dr. Louis Lotz Education Hour Klokkenkoor
<b>TUESDAY 4/19</b>	12:00 N 2:30 PM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Addieôs Pantry Christian Action Team Executive Committee Meeting Addieôs Diner
<b>WEDNESDAY 4/20</b>	10:00 AM 6:15 PM 6:30 PM	Staff Meeting Celebration Ringers Adult Discipleship Team
<b>THURSDAY 4/21</b>	12:00 N 5:45 PM 7:00 PM	Addieôs Pantry Seder Dinner Prayer Service
<b>FRIDAY 4/22</b>	Noonô 2:00 PM	Community Good Friday Serviceô child care provided
<b>SUNDAY 4/24</b>	9:30 AM	Worship Serviceô Dr. Louis Lotz No Education Hour

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**CARE CONCERNS:** Please contact Carol Bergman at [clstaff@iserv.net](mailto:clstaff@iserv.net) or 975-5741 after hours or on the weekend. During office hours contact the office at 456-1773 or you may email [mbeebe@crcgr.org](mailto:mbeebe@crcgr.org). Church office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 AMô 5:00 PM.