

Foster Dad on Sunday, May 21, 5:30 p.m. in D309. Childcare provided. *RSVP to attend and for childcare to centralwesleyan/foster-adoption.*

It Takes Hope

Everyone is invited for a night of encouragement and HOPE as Holly LeBlanc shares her journey. Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Worship Center. We will also be having dessert after! *For more info check out centralwesleyan.org/ittakeshope.*

Gathering Grounds

We are looking for someone to work in a paid position 8-10 hours a week as we meet the growing needs of the guests we serve. *Go to centralwesleyan.org/jobs.*

FAMILY NEWS

Births: We celebrate with Casey and Michelle Nowicki in the birth of their daughter, Emma Nowicki; Chris and Melissa Arendshorst in the birth of their son, Samuel William Arendshorst.

We extend our sympathy to: Aaron (Rita) Emery in the loss of his mother, Barbara Emery; Jan Rorick in the loss of her sister, Joanie.

Dealing with a serious or long term illness:

John Boersema, Marianne Brower, Dave Dekker, Phyllis DeWitt, Sandy DeWys, Dan Dykstra, Dan Heiberg, Amanda Johnson, Amy Kamphuis, Joy Kirklin, Mel Kirklin, Henne Kleinheksel, Holly LeBlanc, Jodi Lokker, Norm Lyzenga, Carmen Modrzynski, Chris Morren, Janice Mullins, Niko Pilafas, Renae Postma, MaryLou Rutgers, Jill Schreur, Karen Smeltzer, Loie VanDis, James Winn and Elaine Zwagerman.

Recovering: Ra David, Nancee Harrington, Judy Posma, Janet Weisiger, John and Jerry Wells and Lynn Wiersma.

THE NUMBERS

May 7, 2017

Attendance

Central Holland	2928
Central Online	616
Central La Roca	113
Central Cambodia	175
Central Indonesia	163
The Local Church	161

Total Attendance 4,156

Community Groups	386
Small Groups	600

General Budget

Received Last Week	\$93,000
Received Since 6/16	\$4,806,300
Weekly Need	\$96,500
Need Since 6/16	\$4,886,100

Missions

Received Last Week	\$11,800
Received Since 6/16	\$596,200
Need Since 6/16	\$657,000

Stronger

Received Last Week	\$28,600
Giving Goal by 5/31/2017	\$2,000,000
Received to date	\$1,999,600



Give online at centralwesleyan.org/give.

WITH GOD

We are so thrilled to be offering our “With God” class to all of you! Whether you are just beginning on your faith journey or if you are looking to strengthen your faith foundation, we want you to join us in this journey!

At Central, we are committed to developing corporate and personal habits for a dynamic relationship with God. These habits, such as prayer and the study of Scriptures, help us to discern God’s plan and purposes for our lives. This opportunity is just one way that you can be “With God”.

Join Pastor Craig on Sunday mornings on May 21–June 11 at 9 a.m. in the multi-purpose room.

Sign up online at centralwesleyan.org/withgod or sign up today at the Info Desk!

GENERAL

Mother's Day Speaker

Today we welcome Sara Hagerty as our guest teacher. Sara and her husband, Nate, are parents to six children and they make their home in Kansas City, Missouri. Sara has written two books and we have her first book available for purchase in the lobby today. *Every Bitter Thing Is Sweet* explains today's teaching time more in depth as she writes to bring her readers back to a place where the unseen is more real than what the eye can perceive. Sara's second book, *Unseen*, will soon be released. *To learn more about Sara and her ministry, check out everybitterthingissweet.com.*

Congregational Vote

On May 21, members are encouraged to stop by the table in the Main Lobby to vote on the 2017-2018 General Budget, affirm the Elders, affirm a church Secretary, and elect Delegates and Alternate Delegates for District Conference. Elder nominees are as follows: Jason Adams, Londa Alderink, Sue Auchtung, Mark Ebbers, Dan Kapenga, Jack Lynn, Darrel Turner, Robb Veltema, Kelly Weener.

The Space Between

This summer, May 21-July 23, we are journeying to the Space Between. That place between seasons, change and transitions. That place where you just feel stuck in the middle; like a fish out of water. Join us Sundays at 9 or 10:45 AM from May 21-July 23 as we try to navigate life's transitions.

Hand 2 Hand Food Items

Are you willing to help stock our Hand2Hand food pantry? This month we need mac and cheese and soup. Items will be collected in the shopping cart located in the main lobby. Thanks

for helping serve our community.
Questions? Contact Tracy at 395.3079.

Foster Care

1st Night Bags for Kids in Foster Care: Too often kids come into foster care with nothing at all. We'd like to change that. Throughout the month of May, stop by the table in the lobby on Sunday mornings to select a foster child to put together a "1st Night Bag" with items like PJs, underwear, an outfit, and toiletries.

5k Fun Run

Help our Central Students raise money for Summer Trips by participating in our Central Family 5k Fun Run. You can walk, run, ride, bike, blade, board, etc.! Saturday, June 3, at 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$20.

CHILDREN

Happy Mother's Day!

Moms - we celebrate you today and want to say a huge THANK YOU for all you do to impact your kids in positive ways each and every day! We think you're amazing - and so are your kids!

Summer in Central Kids

We are so excited for summer and have some amazing events planned for Preschool, Elementary and Special Needs programs! You don't want to miss a minute! Pick up a calendar with all the details today in Central Kids.

5th Grade graduation

Join us for graduation on Sunday, May 21, at 10:45 a.m. in the new Multi-purpose room! Parents, we can't wait to celebrate your child with you! After graduation, our 5th grade programming in Central Kids ends for the summer and your student is officially part of Ignite, our Middle School ministry.

Crash Landing

If you are in 5th grade, join us on Wednesday, May 31, from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Ignite Room (D309). We'll have pizza, ice cream and games - you don't want to miss it! Parents: you're invited to stay for the first 10 minutes to meet the Ignite team!

Night at the Playland

Preschool and Elementary children with Special Needs are invited to join us, along with their families, for a fun night at the Playland on Thursday, May 18, from 6-8 p.m.! *For information about our event, connect with Debbie Heiser at dheiser@centralwesleyan.org.*

Preschool Park Party

Calling all Preschoolers! Come join us for a night of fun and play on Wednesday, May 31st from 6-7:30 p.m. at Helder Park in Zeeland. We'll have the parachute out, sidewalk chalk, giant bubbles and more! We'll see you there!

STUDENTS

Color War

High school students, it's time for the color war! On May 21, meet at Entrance A at 7 p.m. and wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty. We'll be done at 9 p.m. by the Standing stone. Cost is \$5.

XCOM 2017

High school students, registration forms for Xcom 2017 Summer Camp are now available! Grab yours at FUEL! This is our summer houseboat trip taking place July 20-24.

Graduation Sunday

High school seniors, next Sunday, May 21, we will be honoring you with a time of recognition and prayer in the big house during both services.

YOUNG ADULTS

College/Young Adults!

On Monday, May 15, from 7-8:30 p.m. we'll be having a Worship Night in the new Multi-purpose room! *For more information, email: YA@centralwesleyan.org.*

OPPORTUNITIES

Custodial Position

Want to join the facilities team? We have a part time custodian position available. Work involves general cleaning, set ups and tear downs. Please check out the centralwesleyan.org/jobs for a full job description and to apply. *Contact Cristina at 395.3115 or cllanos@centralwesleyan.org for more information or questions.*

Senior Bus Trip

Join us Saturday, June 10 at 8 a.m. as we board the Great Lakes Coach for a leisurely day trip to Middlebury, Indiana. To reserve your spot on the bus, please send your checks (\$60 made out to Central Wesleyan Church) to Central Wesleyan Church, 446 West 40th Street, Holland, MI 49423, attn: Bette Johnson. *For more information call Bette Johnson at 395.3133.*

Annual Senior Community Day

Join us on Friday, June 2, 2017, from 8:30 to 2 p.m. for the 12th Annual Senior Community Day at Central Wesleyan Church. Free lunch will be provided for the first 500 people to register. *You may register online at smglakeshore.com or pick up a form at Freedom Village, Alliance Home Health Care Services at 529 E. 16th St or at the Info Desk.*

Foster/Adopt Dessert Night

Are you a foster/adopt parent or considering it? Come hear Julian Goodson, author of Thoughts of a