

CENTRAL BOOK CLUB: The Central Book Club is now reading, “Promise Me This” by Cathy Gohlke. They will meet to discuss this book at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23**, in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone can join to receive the next book, “The Letter Keeper” by Charles Martin. For more information, contact Jen Aden in the Church Office at 432-4766.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL: Everyone is invited to the Wednesday Night Meal on **Wednesday, January 24, at 5:15 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, and fresh fruit will be served for a **FREE-WILL donation**. Come feed your body and soul! Invite a friend!

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP GUEST SPEAKER: Rich Ohm from the Fall Out Shelter in Watertown will be a guest speaker during the middle and high school youth groups on **Wednesday, January 24**. Rich will lead his self-defense talk and demonstration for the middle school youth from **3:30 – 5:00 p.m.** He will then talk with the high school youth about his mission and outreach work at **6:00 p.m.** **ALL** Costa Rica Mission Trip attendees **must** attend the high school session! Adults are also welcome to attend!

NEW BEGINNINGS CELEBRATION SERVICE: Central Church will hold a New Beginnings Celebration Service on **Sunday, January 28**. We will celebrate Central Church’s transition into the Global Methodist Church as well as celebrating the New Year. Presiding Elder, Roger Spahr, will be the guest speaker. This will be a meaningful service with several worship songs, a time for prayer, and a question-and-answer session. **There will be just ONE service at 10:00 a.m. which will take place in the Sanctuary!** Coffee and cookies will be served in the Fellowship Hall beginning at **9:30 a.m.** Coffee will also be served before the service at the Coffee Bar. There will be **NO** Sunday School or Bible studies this day! Come celebrate this New Beginning for Central, all that Central is known for, and learn more about the Global Methodist Church.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL: There will be **NO** Sunday School on **Sunday, January 28**, due to the special service at **10:00 a.m.** in the **Sanctuary!**

JERSEY SUNDAY: Central Church will incorporate Jersey Sunday with the Youth Soup-er Bowl Soup Fundraiser this year! We invite everyone to wear their favorite sports jersey or clothing, if you have any, to church on **Sunday, February 4!** Please do not feel obligated and do not go purchase anything for this! If you do not have any sports team clothing, that is OK! We are just looking for a fun way to celebrate the youth fundraiser!

SOUP-ER BOWL SOUP DINNER FUNDRAISER: The youth of Central Church will be holding a Soup-er Bowl soup dinner on **Sunday, February 4**. Different kinds of soup, bread, and desserts will be served beginning at **10:30 a.m.** for a free-will donation. **You may also get a container of soup to-go for a donation.** Money raised will go towards the Costa Rica youth mission trip in June! We are hosting this event one week before the actual NFL SuperBowl in hopes of having a great turnout! Come support the youth!

SOUP-OFF CONTEST: In conjunction with the Soup-er Bowl soup dinner on **Sunday, February 4**, a soup-off contest will be held! We invite **ANYONE** from the congregation to bring a crock-pot of your best or favorite soup for everyone to sample. Samplers will vote for their favorite soup by placing a donation in a bucket. The soup that raises the most money will receive a prize!!! This additional money raised will also go towards the youth mission trip. **Those who wish to participate in the soup-off are asked to let Deb Bowsher or Levi Waddell know and have their soup to the church by 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 4.**

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: The Ash Wednesday Service at Central Church will take place **Wednesday, February 14, at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary**. A meal will be served at **5:15 p.m.** There will be **NO** Got(d) Questions, Mountain Men or Spirit Sisters groups that night. Middle School Youth Group and JAM **WILL** take place like normal. The High School Youth Group will join the service. Come join in this meaningful service!

IF:GATHERING 2024 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: The nationwide IF:GATHERING 2024 will celebrate its 10th anniversary this year. This amazing event will be held at Central Church via live stream on **Friday, February 23, and Saturday, February 24**, for **ALL** ladies ages 14 and older! Cost is just **\$25 in advance or \$35 at the door!** Payments can be mailed or dropped off at Central Church, 201 S. 5th Street, Milbank, SD 57252. Registration can be done on the church website at www.milbankcentral.com by going under the **ONLINE REGISTRATIONS** tab and scrolling down to the IF:GATHERING 2024. Registration deadline is **Monday, February 19**. Please see the insert for all the details! Invite a friend and sign up **TODAY!**

SPREAD THE WORD: Central Church has so many things happening and taking place, that we would appreciate help in spreading the word about all Central has to offer! We have printed postcards with the church’s contact and worship service information as well as all events happening within the church from now until summer. **If anyone would be willing to take a stack and place them in their work place or local business, please see Ginny and she will get you a stack!** Please help spread the word of all that’s happening at Central!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SPECIAL OFFERING: The Sunday School kids are working on a new offering project for the months of January and February! All Sunday School offering will go to the **Kids Helping Kids program** of Central Church. Kids Helping Kids helps families in need in our community who may be struggling with health, loss, and other things. Please feel free to help with this project by marking a gift on your offering envelopes and marking them **Sunday School Offering!** Thank you for your kindness!

CENTRAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – JANUARY 21, 2024

Today: 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Outside the Sanctuary and in the Fellowship Hall
9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Sunday School (ages 2 – high school) – Downstairs
9:45 – 10:45 a.m. “Crash Course on Evangelism” Mission Trip Bible Study – Youth Room
11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Jenn Falk’s Bandana and Fancy Earring Party – Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Men’s Evening Bible Study – Heritage Room

Monday: 8:15 a.m. The Gathering – Fellowship Hall
1:30 p.m. Meals from the Heart Meal Prep - Kitchen

Tuesday: 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting – Heritage Room
4:30 p.m. Life Quest – Kitchen/Fellowship Hall
4:45 p.m. Thrive – Downstairs
6:30 p.m. Central Book Club – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday: 6:45 a.m. Men’s Morning Bible Study – Heritage Room
3:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group – Fellowship Hall/Youth Room – Rich Ohm
5:15 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal – Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group – Youth Room – Rich Ohm
6:00 p.m. JAM Activities (preschool – grade 5) – Downstairs
6:15 p.m. Got(d) Questions with Pastor Thom – Sanctuary
6:15 p.m. Spirit Sisters Group – Heritage Room
6:15 p.m. Mountain Men Group – Downstairs Study Room

Thursday: 12:00 p.m. Endowments Committee Meeting – Heritage Room
6:00 p.m. “The Chosen” Study – Youth Room

Next Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Outside the Sanctuary and in the Fellowship Hall
NO Sunday School
NO “Crash Course on Evangelism” Mission Trip Bible Study
10:00 a.m. New Beginnings Celebration Service - Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. Men’s Evening Bible Study – Heritage Room

WHERE CAN YOU FIND US?

Radio:
KMSD 1510
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

Television:
ITC Cable Channel 95
Mondays at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Traditional)
Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. (Blended)
and Video on Demand
Midcontinent Cable Channel 3
Mondays at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. (Traditional)
Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. (Blended)

Phone: 605-432-4766
Website: www.milbankcentral.com
Social Media:
Facebook – Central Church
Instagram – centralchurch201



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MEMORIAL BOOK: The memorial book is open to the glory of God and in loving memory of Marvin Hopewell and Arthur Radtke

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers at the altar today are given in memory of Jerry Mielitz by his family.

FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE: The **February** Fellowship & Service sign-up sheet is posted at the Welcome Center. Sign up now to get your desired slots. If it is your month, you will be receiving a letter. Thank you.

THIS WEEK’S YOUNG ADULTS SPOTLIGHT: Each week, we highlight young adults as they transition into their post high school education and careers. We can remember them with prayer, a note of encouragement, or even fresh cookies.
Anthony St. Martin: 213 S. Main Street, Apt. A, Milbank, SD 57252
Max Liebe: 1335 11th Ave. North, Fargo, ND 58102

BIRTHDAYS: Celebrating upcoming birthdays (January 25 - 31) are:
Thursday, January 25 – Jesse Schneck
Friday, January 26 – Tana Mundwiler and Ty Kettwig
Saturday, January 27 – Jaimee Bender and Isaac Cordell
Sunday, January 28 – Abram Fischer and Hether Voeltz
Tuesday, January 30 – Grace Voeltz
Wednesday, January 31 – Brooklyn Wittrock

MEALS ON WHEELS DRIVERS NEEDED: Drivers are needed to deliver Meals on Wheels from **February 5 – March 1**. Central Church has the opportunity to minister to those receiving meals for four weeks. Three drivers are needed daily, Monday – Friday. Meals are picked up from the St. Williams Nursing Home kitchen at 11:00 a.m. Each route normally has 6-8 meals to deliver. **Please sign up at the Welcome Center to be part of this ministry.** Or you may contact Roger Reiners at 605-949-2595. Thank you!

JENN FALK’S BANDANA AND FANCY EARRING PARTY TODAY: Jenn Falk finished chemo treatment for her breast cancer and will start radiation in February. We want to celebrate her in “Jenn Fashion!” Come to Jenn’s Bandana and Fancy Earring Party **TODAY, Sunday, January 21, at 5:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Wear your favorite bandana and fancy earrings! It will be a potluck, so please bring a dish to pass. Crack chicken sandwiches and beverages will be provided! We can’t wait to see you there!