

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Just a reminder, Sunday School will resume next **Sunday, January 7**, from 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Sunday School classes are available for children ages 2 through high school.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL AND ACTIVITIES: There will be **NO** regular Wednesday Night Meal and Activities at Central Church for the next two weeks. We will be taking a short winter break. Wednesday Night Activities will resume on **Wednesday, January 10!** Please share the word!

SPIRIT SISTERS GROUP: The Spirit Sisters women's group will start their "As For Me" Bible study on **Wednesday, January 10, at 6:15 p.m.** They will meet in the Heritage Room. "As For Me" is a 7-week study by Adrienne Camp on the book of Psalms. It will be facilitated by Hether Voeltz. The cost of materials is **\$20.00**. The sign-up deadline is **Wednesday, January 3!** Please sign up on the clipboard at the Small Groups Table near the Welcome Center.

SEASONED CITIZENS OF CENTRAL GATHERING: The Seasoned Citizens of Central will hold their monthly meeting on **Thursday, January 11, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. More details will be coming soon. Come enjoy coffee, lunch, fellowship, and music. Please call the Church Office, 432-4766, if you would like a ride.

"THE CHOSEN" SMALL GROUP STUDY: Season One of the TV series, "The Chosen," will be a stand-alone Bible study that begins **Thursday, January 11, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.** at Central. Ginny Tostenson will facilitate this study. It will also include a light pot-luck style meal. There has been lots of buzz about *The Chosen*. This study will view the episodes but will more importantly dive into the Bible to address inconsistencies that are portrayed as well as use the Bible as the primary basis for each episode in telling the story of Jesus. You will come to realize that you are called, cherished, and carried; have been made new and established; are now his witness; and more. The cost of the study guide and materials is **\$13.00**. The sign-up deadline is **Thursday, January 4!** See the Small Groups Table near the Welcome Center!

MOUNTAIN MEN GROUP: Jody Kuper will be leading the Mountain Men group with the Tony Evans' study called "Kingdom Man." We will be pushing the start date of this study back by one week. The study will start on **Wednesday, January 17, at 6:15 p.m.** in the Chapel. This 6-week study empowers men to exercise the God-given dominion they were created for by giving them a Kingdom understanding, vision, and perspective on their identity and responsibilities along with practical steps on how to become a man who rules his world well. The cost of materials will be **\$20.00**, and the signup deadline has been extended to **Wednesday, January 10**. Sign up **TODAY** at the Small Groups Table near the Welcome Center!

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY MATERIALS FEE: Central Church is asking that participants of any of the small group bible studies pay for the study books and materials for each study. HOWEVER, we do **NOT** want the fee to prohibit anyone from participating! At each study, a donation basket will be set out. If you cannot afford the materials fee, please feel free to give whatever amount you can! We want you to take part no matter what! **If you haven't participated in a study before, now is a great time to try one out! Sign up TODAY!**

THANK YOU: Thank you to all who attended our Children's Christmas Program! It was a great success for countless reasons! The kids did such a great job! It was so fun to see their joy throughout the program! Thank you to all the Sunday School teachers, JAM leaders, Children's Ministries Committee, and Pastor Thom for bringing this program together. A special thank you to Renae Wollschlager, Jenn Falk, John Madsen, Roger Hoff, Jeny Koplin, Mallory Falk, Tayla Waddell, and Levi Waddell for all your help! Thank you also to all those who stepped in to help set up, tear down, and serve goodies. You are all extremely valued and appreciated! Ginny Tostenson

QUIET BAGS: Central Church is blessed to have quiet bags available for the young children during worship services each Sunday morning. We are in need of a volunteer to keep these bags updated, filled, and ready to go each Sunday! It will take just an hour of your time each week! If you feel called, please let Ginny Tostenson know! Email to ginny.tostenson@milbankcentral.com or call/text 949-0832.

ACH (Automatic Giving): No longer will you need to remember to bring your checkbook or that seemingly nonexistent thing called "CASH" to church. ACH (automatic debit) giving is available at Central Church as an alternative to writing a check to the church each week or month. You can elect to have a withdrawal done on the 1st or the 15th of each month. The sign-up forms can be found at the Welcome Center. For more information, please contact Kenne Dailie or Brittney Pauli.

CENTRAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – DECEMBER 31, 2023

Today: New Year’s Eve
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
NO Sunday School
9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Kuper’s Wedding Reception – Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service
NO Men’s Evening Bible Study

Monday: New Year’s Day
Church and Office Closed
NO The Gathering

Tuesday: 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting – Heritage Room
4:30 p.m. Life Quest – Kitchen/Fellowship Hall

Wednesday: 6:45 a.m. Men’s Morning Bible Study – Heritage Room
NO Wednesday Night Activities
7:30 p.m. Trustees Committee Meeting – Heritage Room

Next Sunday: Volunteer Appreciation Sunday
Holy Communion
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
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
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 Orval Bohn and Lloyd Grabow Jr.

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.
Barrett Schneck: 48002 153rd St., Milbank, SD 57252
Madi Thue: 2226 Bluegill Ave, Brookings, SD 57006

BIRTHDAYS: Celebrating upcoming birthdays (January 4 - 10) are:
Saturday, January 6 – Karen Loeschke and Oliver McMahon
Sunday, January 7 – Madison Liebe
Monday, January 8 – Jan Bierschbach and Olivia Kelly
Tuesday, January 9 – Eric Dockter
Wednesday, January 10 – Olivia Liebe

ANNIVERSARIES: Celebrating an anniversary are:
Sunday, January 7 – Mark and Jan Bierschbach and John and Britanni Madsen

WEDDING RECEPTION FOR JODY KUPER AND DORI BOLSTAD TODAY: Jody Kuper and Dori Bolstad were united in marriage at Central Church on Saturday, December 30, with a small family ceremony. They are having a wedding reception **TODAY, Sunday, December 31, at 9:30 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Please come and wish them well as they start a new chapter in their lives. No gifts please. Your attendance at the reception will be the best gift you could give! Jody and Dori

CHURCH CLOSED NEW YEARS DAY: Central Church and the Church Office will be closed **Monday, January 1,** in honor of New Years Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 2. Have a Happy New Year!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY: Central Church wants to honor all volunteers during **BOTH** worship services on **Sunday, January 7,** for Volunteer Appreciation Sunday. We want to recognize the countless ways that makes Central what it was yesterday, what it is today, and what it will continue to be in the future! Yes – that is **YOU!** Central is all about **YOU – the people!** So, we want to honor you! There will be two regular worship services at **8:30 and 11:00 a.m.** Sunday School will take place from **9:45 – 10:45 a.m.** Rolls, juice, and coffee will be served between services from **9:30 – 11:00 a.m.** in honor of **YOU!** We pray you will join us for this wonderful celebration!