CONFIRMATION SUNDAY: Confirmation Sunday at Central Church is scheduled for **Sunday, May 19.** Please join us at both services **(8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.)** as the youth publicly affirm the grace of God in their baptism and acknowledge their acceptance of that grace by faith. **Coffee and goodies will be served in honor of the confirmands between services at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Those eligible to be confirmed include: Shantel Eilers, Rylie Ehlebracht, Rileigh Gapp, Nolan Grabow, Jack Howard, Bentley Moser, Adison Pauli, Isabella Pauli, Haylee Rieck, Tayson Tillma, Bree Townsend, and James Urbanski.

MILBANK WOMEN'S CONNECTION: The Milbank Women's Connection will meet **Tuesday, May 21, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Central Church Fellowship Hall. Women's Connection is an affiliate of Stonecroft Ministries (formerly Christian Women's group). The speaker will be Mary Roelofs of Princeton, MN, with the message, "No Matter What." A special feature will be given by Norma Kruger with "Beautiful Spring Flowers. Music will be provided by Diane Stewart on the flute and Sheila Dailie on piano. Tickets are **\$5.00 each** at the door. A light dessert will be served. **Reservations are appreciated!** Please call or email Peg Dohrer at (605)949-0311 or <u>pldohrer@itcmilbank.com</u>. Invite a friend!

CENTRAL BOOK CLUB: The Central Book Club is now reading, "The Memory of Lavender and Sage" by Aimie K. Runyan. They will meet to discuss this book at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21,** in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone can join to receive the next book, "Just for the Summer" by Melody Carlson. For more information, contact Jen Aden in the Church Office at 432-4766.

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS: Summer Worship Hours will begin **Sunday, May 26.** There will be two services - the **8:30 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service and the **10:00 a.m.** Blended Worship Service. Coffee Fellowship will take place at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and outside the Sanctuary. This will continue until Rally Sunday in September.

90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF MAYE OLIVIA BREKKE: Kristy Liebe will be hosting a 90th birthday celebration for Maye Olivia Brekke on **Sunday, May 26**, **between services** in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to come shower Maye with love!

CHURCH AND OFFICE CLOSED: Central Church and the Church Office will be closed **Monday, May 27,** in observance of Memorial Day.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024 REGISTRATION: Registration has begun for Vacation Bible School 2024 with the theme "The Great Jungle Journey." Every day, our kids are bombarded with questions: Did God really create everything? Why do bad things happen? Was Noah's ark real? Why do I need to be saved? Can I trust the Bible? At this VBS, your kids will explore the biblical answers to these questions as they set off on an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. Amid sloths, butterflies, river dolphins, and dart frogs, your children will sail along on a fun jungle cruise, stopping at seven ports of call (the 7 C's of History) - Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Kids will discover how these events shape our world, and they will learn to reconnect the Bible to their everyday life. Prepare to swing into fun as we head out on The Great Jungle Journey! VBS will take place from Sunday, July 21, through Thursday, July 25, from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Central Church for kids ages 3 through those who have completed 5th grade. Supper will be served from **5:00 – 5:30** p.m. with the Opening Assembly starting at 5:30 p.m. VBS 2024 will also be highlighted during the 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Services on Sunday, July 28. The kids will sing, as well as show you highlights from their week. To register online go to https://httpsmilbankcentralmyanswers.myanswers.com/junglejourney. You can also fill out a paper form located at the VBS Registration Table outside of the Sanctuary. Forms can also be downloaded at **www.milbankcentral.com** under the ONLINE REGISTRATIONS tab.

FILL THE TUBS FOR DISASTER RELIEF: The Upper Midwest Global Methodist Church Conference is encouraging congregations to collect donations for *Just Help One Disaster Response*. The items collected will then be taken to Annual Conference **in June** where these items will be assembled into kits for this cause. **Totes to place these items in are located Outside of the Sanctuary.** We are making this a little contest here at Central! Who can collect the most items – 1st service or 2nd service attendees? **Place your donated items in the corresponding tote for which service you attend! The final Sunday to bring your donated items will be Sunday, June 9.** Relief items needed include hand towels, wash cloths, travel soap, travel deodorant, travel toothpaste and toothbrushes, combs, travel size shampoo and conditioner, and travel size tissues. You may also give monetary donations to *Just Help One*. Please mark your offering envelopes accordingly! Thank you!

CENTRAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – MAY 12, 2024

Today:	Mother's Day
5	8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
	9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Muffins for Moms – Fellowship Hall
	9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Sunday School (ages 2 – grade 5) - Downstairs
	9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School (6 – 12 th grades) – Youth Room
	11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service
	6:30 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study – Heritage Room
Monday:	8:15 a.m. The Gathering – Fellowship Hall
-	4:30 p.m. Fellowship & Service Committee Meeting – Fellowship Hall
	6:00 p.m. Study Group – Downstairs Study Room
	7:00 p.m. "Untangle Your Emotions" Study – Heritage Room
Tuesday:	1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting – Pastor Thom's Office
	NO Life Quest
	4:45 p.m. Thrive – Downstairs
Wednesday:	6:45 a.m. Men's Morning Bible Study – Heritage Room
	6:00 p.m. Costa Rica Mission Trip Group Meeting – Youth Room
	6:15 p.m. "Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table" Study – Heritage
	Room
	7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting – Heritage Room
Thursday:	6:00 p.m. "The Chosen" – Season 2 Bible Study – Youth Room
Saturday:	9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Gearly Beloved Central Tour – Pribyl Park
Next Sunday:	Confirmation Sunday
	8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
	9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Reception for Confirmands – Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service
	6:30 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study – Heritage Room

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)

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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 Verla Miller and Jane Roehr.

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

DEVOTIONALS: The **June/July/August** issue of the "Our Daily Bread" devotional booklet is available on the table inside the main door of the church. Please help yourself.

BIRTHDAYS: Celebrating upcoming birthdays (May 16 - 22) are: Thursday, May 16 – Paige German Friday, May 17 – Rita Dunnihoo, Denise Page, Phylis Waterfall, Zayda Townsend, and Maren Davis Saturday, May 18 – Ryan Conrad Sunday, May 19 – Brandon Peery Monday, May 20 – Tim Stengel, Elise Graham, and Brooke Schwagel Tuesday, May 21 – Isaac Fischer and Shawn McMahon Wednesday, May 22 – Jason Liebe and Liam Davis

ANNIVERSARIES: Celebrating an anniversary are: Thursday, May 16 – Alex and Jackie Stengel Sunday, May 19 – Dan and Mandy Karges Monday, May 20 – Adam and Jeny Koplin Tuesday, May 21 – Garry and Marie Trapp

GRADUATION CELEBRATIONS: Please join these seniors as they celebrate their High School graduation:

Brooke Schwagel: Friday, May 17, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Complex in Milbank

GEARLY BELOVED CENTRAL TOUR: Come join the family fun on **Saturday, May 18**, from **9:00 – 11:00 a.m.** at Pribyl Park. Bring your bikes, trikes, scooters, strollers, rollerblades, walking shoes, and friends of all ages! There will be snacks, drinks, chalk, and bubble fun for the little ones, and a few family-friendly competitions (with prizes). Invite some friends and join the fun! There will be a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center, just to get an idea of numbers! Hope you can join the fun and fellowship! This event is sponsored by the Evangelism Committee of Central!