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Monday—Thursday
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Worship

Sunday, December 7, 2018

10:15 a.m.

Baptism of the Lord

Communion

Sermon Title:

Making a Splash
Rev. Wallace W. Bubar

Scriptures:

Genesis 1:1–5 and
Mark 1:4–11

Hymns:

32 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*
482 *Baptized in Water*
523 *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*
484 *Out of Deep, Unordered Water*

Music:

Chancel Choir

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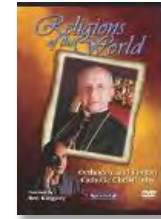
Top stories...



2018 Pledge results are included — thank you to everyone for submitting your pledge card!



Sign up to take an 8-week module and explore migration issues with JustFaith Ministries' classes



Adult education class resumes Sunday with more Religions of the World



Reserve your table for the Central Crop retreat scheduled for January 12 & 13!



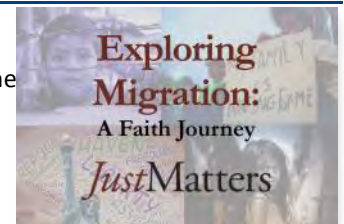
Thanks to all who submitted a 2018 Pledge Card!

If you still haven't gotten your 2018 Pledge Card turned in, there is still time. Please help us show our *Gifts of Gratitude* for Central Presbyterian Church.

What a great way to celebrate our community and our children's future!

Enroll now for *JustFaith Ministries* classes

The beginning of the third millennium has been characterized by the global reality of migration, and by a growing number of migrants. This, in turn, has led to a marked increase in fear and national sentiment which seeks to close borders — to turn away the other. As Christians, how should we navigate and respond to the tension between our global reality and our calling as disciples? *JustFaith Ministries'* new 8-week module — ***Exploring Migration: A Faith Journey*** — offers the opportunity to learn more about the challenges of contemporary migration, and explore through prayer and dialogue, a way to answer our call to discipleship. *JustFaith* leaders two opportunities:



- Tuesdays, Jan. 9–Feb. 27, 2018, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., at the Des Moines Valley Friends House, 4211 Grand Ave., Des Moines, or
- Thursdays, Feb. 1–March 22, 2018, 6–8:00 p.m. at **Central Presbyterian Church**

To register, go online to: www.CenterforSocialMinistry.org. For more information, contact the Center for Social Ministry, at centerforsocialministry@gmail.com or 515-782-3054.

SAVE THE DATE! Valentine's Day Dinner & Auction is February 9

Make Friday, February 9th, that "special evening" to remember! Surprises are in the works! Please consider making a donation for the experience and/or live auction! Donations of gift certificates to restaurants, local services and/or vacation retreats, sports or theatre tickets, or a weekend getaway, are welcome. Be creative! And we'll see you in February, for a night out you won't forget! Tickets are \$20 per person and includes: appetizers, beverages, dinner and entertainment. Make your reservation now by calling the church office at 515-279-3658. All proceeds will go towards the church education program for children, youth and adults.



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Upcoming @Central

Friday, January 5

Noon Church closes

Sunday, January 7

9:00am Education hour
10:15am Worship
11:15am Fellowship
11:30am Adult Ed. *Judaism*
11:30am Valentine’s Dinner
planning meeting
11:30am Nominating Cmte
4:15pm Confirmation
youth activity
@Breakout Games

Monday, January 8

4:30pm Worship
Committee mtg
6:00pm Board of Deacons

Tuesday, January 9

9:30am Staff meeting
5:00pm Tutoring
7:00pm Christian Educ.
Committee mtg

Wednesday, January 10

10:00am Bible Study
5:00pm Building &
Grounds Cmte
5:00pm LOGOS children
6:15pm LOGOS youth &
dinner
6:30pm Knitting group
7:00pm Confirmation
7:30pm Chancel Choir
rehearsal

Thursday, January 11

7:00am Business & Finance
Committee mtg
8:45am Morgen Bells
rehearsal
5:30pm World & Commu-
nity Concerns
Cmte mtg

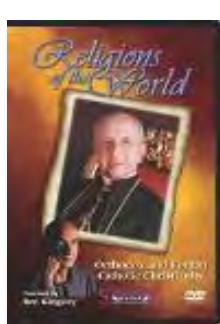
Everybody Wins! Iowa program needs volunteers!

Help us *Reach A Reader!* Refer a friend and be entered into our drawing to win a special prize when they sign up to be a mentor with us. The deadline for entry is January 19. Details will be shared at Power Read programs or contact Anna at volunteer@everybodywinsiowa.org or 515-242-8462.



Sunday adult education class – topic continues: *Religions of the World*

This video-centered curriculum examines the specific beliefs, customs, and traditions of a particular world religion as well as its impact on world culture and history. Classes are at 9:00 & 11:30 a.m. in Room 201 and are led by **Greg Halterman**, Christian education director. The series will be enhanced by an afternoon talk on January 21 by Anna Steenson, a contributor to *The Drake Comparison*



Project, who will screen her short film, *A Spectrum of Faith* and talk about the six major religions practiced in the heartland. To prepare for January 21, it is recommended that you attend one or more of the following classes:

- Jan. 7 9:00 a.m. – *Religions of the World – Hinduism*
11:30 a.m. – *Judaism*
- Jan. 14 9:00 a.m. – *Buddhism*
11:30 a.m. – *Protestantism*
- Jan. 21 9:00 a.m. – *Sikhism*
11:30 a.m. – *The Drake Comparison Project*
- Jan. 28 9:00 a.m. – *Native American Spirituality*

Wednesday morning Bible study resumes January 10th



On Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., adults can attend the Presbyterian Women’s produced *Horizons Bible study: Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*. Written by Melissa Bane Sevier, a teaching elder in the PC(USA) and Sung Hee Chang, a Union Presbyterian Seminary faculty member, this study approaches the book of Hebrews through a lens of peace, peacemaking and hope.

Participants will read and discuss stories about women who have been witnesses to faith highlighted in Hebrews chapters 1, 12 and 13. Join study facilitator **Sue Heggen** on Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. in Room 112.

Fourth Fridays, a fellowship experience at the dinner table!

A new ministry starting this year is the ‘fourth Friday’ of every month Christian Education Director **Greg Halterman** and his partner, **Miguel Vargas**, will bring a pizza and salad dinner to the home of those who sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0848A9AA22A2FC1-fourth. (or they will welcome you into their home if it is more convenient.) *Fourth Fridays* will take place year round for anyone who wishes to participate.

Hey children & youth! Come, experience the fun of LOGOS!

Central’s intergenerational fun night is for children, youth and adults! Grades K–5th meeting from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Dinner is serve at 6:15 p.m. every Wednesday and our youth, grades 6th–12th



meeting from 6:15 to 8:00 p.m. We seek to be a community that prays and plays together! For more info, contact **Greg Halterman**, Christian education director at 515-279-3658 or ghalterman@dmcpc.org. The following is the LOGOS nightly theme schedule for January:

- January 10 Favorite Color Night
- January 17 Mexican Fiesta Night
- January 24 Pajama Night
- January 31 Crazy Nose Night

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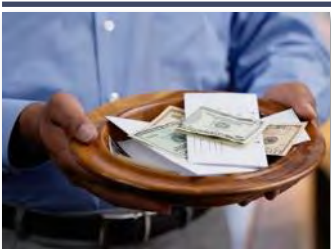
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Thank you for your generosity!

Join Central Crop group for crafters next weekend



The Central Crop mini retreat is back! On January 12 & 13, 2018, bring all your scrapbook items and come as long or as short as you want! We have Fellowship Hall booked for Friday, January 12, from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We can share ideas and will order pizza on Friday night. Saturday is a potluck, so bring something to share. Please RSVP as soon as possible by contacting **Tami Caskey** at tamracaskey@icloud.com or 515-971-2351.

Education hour for children resumes on Sunday, January 7th

On Sundays in January, the children will experience stories about what it means to be God’s light and God’s servant in the world. The lessons focus on the ways God speaks to us and calls us into ministry. Children will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the following classrooms: Preschool (ages 3–4) in room 102; Kindergarten to 1st graders in Room 101; and 2nd through 5th graders meet in Room 2. Study topics include:

- January 7 *In the Beginning, Genesis 1:1–5*
- January 14 *God Calls Samuel, 1 Samuel 3:1–20*
- January 21 *Jonah in Nineveh, Jonah 3:1–5, 10*
- January 28 *Healing in the Synagogue, Mark 1:21–28*

All new middle and high school class for select Sundays (grades 6th–12th)

Sunday education hour for middle and high schoolers will look different in 2018. Once a month we will share in the planning, prep and enjoyment of an evening meal followed by a topical study of today’s issues that teenagers face on a daily basis. Led by Christian Education Director **Greg Halterman**, it will be a special time of fellowship and devotions, teambuilding and sharing.

The first evening will be Sunday, January 21, from 6:00–7:30 p.m., and the discussion topic is *Responding to Racism*.



Take note of these upcoming 2018 activities:

- Jan. 104:15pm Confirmation Youth activity @Breakout Games
- Jan. 124 to 9pm Central Crop (scrapbooking workshop)
- Jan. 138am to 5pm Central Crop (scrapbooking workshop)
- Jan. 137am Youth Ski Trip departs to Afton Alps
- Jan. 149pm Youth Ski Trip returns from Afton Alps
- Jan. 15 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY – Church Office Closed
- Jan. 203pm Drake Men’s Basketball Game outing
- Feb. 1, 20186pm JustFaith Ministries 8-week class starts

