

**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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January 31, 2019

This Sunday:

9:30 am - Sunday School - Jeremiah 1:4-10

10:45 am - Worship

Rev. Judith March Hardie preaching

Holy Communion

Caritas offering

Greetings from Pastor Judith

"O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in all of heaven above or on the earth below.
You keep your covenant and show unfailing love
to all who walk before you in wholehearted devotion." I Kings 8:23

I have had the pleasure over these last four or five months to learn a considerable bit about the almost 150 year history of our congregation. It has truly been a pleasure to read the books, to sit and listen to the stories, to sort through the pictures and newspaper articles; and it has been a true joy to work with the "Anniversary Committee" of members so dedicated towards celebrating not just the history, but also all of the buds of new life and ministry here at Central. Anyone who takes time to mull over the 150-year history of Central will be amazed at its past, and truly excited and encouraged about its future!

The past is loaded with change, and our future is primed for the same. It has been wonderful to lift up some of these memories, especially the mishaps (like the two fires, or the church turkey dinner that "failed") that were transformed into wonderful opportunities. My thanks to the late Margaret Scott and to Karen Groman for their work in writing, editing, and publishing, and to June Bryngelson and Margaret Pauling for some of the sharing. There are more memories of ministries yet to come over the next few Sundays, as well!

Even though the church has changed, with people coming and going, one thing has remained the same: God is at work in our world through Central Presbyterian Church, Woodway/Waco. It is important to look through that lens, recognizing the work that God has been and is still doing. God has been and will continue to be faithful, so bring your whole hearts! Come GATHER at Central and then GO--doing JUSTICE, loving KINDNESS, and walking HUMBLy with God. Grace and Peace, Judith

We hope all of you have already marked your calendars for **Sunday, February 17, 2019**, when we will celebrate Central's 150th anniversary with a special worship service and festive luncheon (RSVP now if you haven't already done so). The worship service will include a surprise and a newly commissioned anthem for the anniversary.

And, just a few days away, **THIS SATURDAY, February 2nd**, there will be an **All-Church Service Day!**

We hope that EVERY member, together with friends and family, will participate.

Three opportunities will get us started:

- Caritas Hidden Treasures Resale store (3912 Bosque) -- Sort donated items (10am - Noonish)
- Children Serving the Community -- Make cards to deliver along with homemade cookies to Woodway-Hewitt first responders, firefighters and police. (11:15am - early afternoon --lunch provided - Act Ctr)
- Sewing for Hospitalized Children and People Using Walkers -- Sew colorful pillowcases and pocket bags for walkers with Laura Clifton and Tricia Tolbert. (gather in the Garden Room at 10am)

Please come, bring a friend, and join us as we celebrate our history of service and commit to a New Beginning, stepping out to serve and follow Jesus Christ, who is Central to All we Do!



Check out the membership timeline in the hallway outside the Garden Room!

Thanks, Tricia Tolbert, for putting this together!

Will you please add a photo to our timeline? We'd love to see a photo of YOU (at the time you joined the church, or more recently), a CPC event that happened along this timeline, or all three. You can email them or come by the church office, if you would like, and we can print a copy of your photos to hang.



February 2- All-Church Service Day - **wear your church shirt**

February 6- First Wednesday Cookout, 5-7:15 pm

February 8- Mission Crafters, 10:30 am

February 9 & 16- Church Clean-up Days (*Crews to fit every worker, light, medium & industrial strength!*) in preparation for welcoming celebrants to our 150th

February 17- 150th Anniversary Celebration - The worship service will include a **surprise** and special **newly commissioned** anthem for the anniversary!!!

February 26- Presbyterian Women, 1 pm



Celebrating Birthdays

Judy Riley - February 1

Caroline Smith - February 11

Granger Smith - February 11

Carl Kuhnle - February 14

(We are missing many birthdays in our database; please let us know yours!
We need the year to enter the date in the database, but will never print it!)



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