

# CCC NEWS

MARCH 4, 2018



## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please keep these  
people in your  
prayers.*

Betty Crawford,  
sister of Joan  
Norman, for health

Jaimee Maier  
Francis for health

Bert Hazel for  
health

David Sipple for  
health

Carl Meyers,  
father of Debbie  
Willman, for  
health

## Baked Potatoes!

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Today, after Traditional Service, come support the Youth while enjoying a delicious lunch! The Youth are hosting their annual Baked Potato Lunch. It is only \$5 per person! All proceeds will go to fund the Youth's activities. There will be food, desserts, and fellowship; who could say no to that? Join us today!

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## Challenge Accepted!

The gauntlet has been thrown! Keep up the challenge of helping our Food Pantry. We serve over 100 families every single month! We are dedicated to helping our community and spreading Christ's love to all.

This week, we challenge you to bring in  
**Toilet Paper and Canned Fruit!**

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help the Outreach ministry, contact Ann Bates at 937-433-6088.

## Happy Birthday!

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Central wishes a happy birthday to all those born in March!

3/4	Carol Dooley	3/22	Lois Siekierka HM
3/6	Mila Wiedeman	3/23	Mable Husky HM
3/9	Norma Jean Friesen	3/27	Charline Glover
3/11	Ann O'Diam	3/29	Naomi Newhouse HM
3/12	Nancy Osborne		Nino Kidd
3/20	Rob Wheeler		

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## Did You Know?

Did you know that there are daily devotional books available to you? That the church has bi-monthly subscriptions for devotionals that are FREE to you?

In the Narthex on various tables, there are three types of devotionals you can pick up! Central subscribes to *Beside the Still Waters*, *Our Daily Bread*, and *The Upper Room*. If you would like to make a donation to keep these subscriptions going, just designate your donation to the specific devotional you enjoy! Do you want a copy from a previous month? See the church office to see if one is available! These books have stories and thought-provoking messages that will help you reflect on God and His works every day! Take a copy today!

## Girl Scout Sunday

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Join us next Sunday, March 11th, as we celebrate Girl Scout Sunday! We honor the girls and women who were once Girl Scouts, currently one, or one in the making! Come out in your sashes and pins as we celebrate those who are dedicated to serving God and the community!

## Did You Get My Message?

*“Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.”--Jeremiah 33:3*

One of the marvels of modern communication is its ability to distort or totally lose a message. Simply pressing a wrong key can change a message from being helpful to being confusing, from delightful to disgusting, or from worthwhile to destructive. This is in addition to all the messages that never get to their intended destination.

Is it not gratifying to know that God hears us every time? He not only hears our words, but He also understands the thoughts and intents of our heart (Hebrews 4:12)--even if our mind is confused and the message incoherent. Any dishonesty or conceit is completely obvious to His all-knowing mind. Our painful outcries that cannot be reduced to words, He also understands fully (Romans 8:26). He knows every language and the meaning of every word. He already knows our needs before we ask. He also knows if what we are asking for is not really what we need or want.

When God receives our requests in the form of rambling, undisciplined, shameful, or even sinful thoughts, He might decide to answer by giving us what we really do not want. He desires rather that we consciously and deliberately arrange our thoughts into coherent messages before we send them. Philippians 4:8 gives us a screen to pass our thoughts through (as well as our prayers). When our thoughts are honest, just, pure, and lovely, and when we focus on virtue and praise, our prayers will be a delight to God and a blessing to ourselves. This will also be reflected in honorable and loving communication with others.

# *Thank you for joining us this Sunday morning!*

Do you want to be a part of the church? To be in fellowship with other congregants? We have groups that you can join to share in God's love and blessings!

## **Food Pantry**

Our weekly food pantry takes place every Monday from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. They serve several families each week from the surrounding community.

## **Prayer Group/Bible Study**

A time of thoughtful prayer and learning of God's Word. Meets every Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room.

## **Prayer Shawl/Quilters**

These groups of ladies dedicates their time to provide beautiful creations for those in need. Quilters meet every Monday at 9:00 AM. Prayer Shawl meets every Thursday at 9:30 AM.

## **Laudate Ringers**

Our Handbell choir graces us with beautiful music monthly during services and practices on Thursdays at 6:30 PM. Ask the director, Sue Taylor, about openings in this group at 937-545-1976.

## **Chancel Choir**

Central's choir provides musical selections for our congregation every Sunday morning. Join them each week on Thursday nights at 7:30 PM.

## **Euchre & Dominoes**

Take time to have fun and get to know people during a night of games. This group meets the last Friday of every month at 7:00 PM.

### **Contact the Church Office!**

Monday thru Friday  
10 AM to 2 PM

Phone: (937) 254-2649

Email: [office@centralkettering.org](mailto:office@centralkettering.org)

### **Contact Pastor Green!**

Drop-in Hours: Mon. 3 PM-6 PM; Tues. & Wed. 10 AM-1 PM

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