

# Spirit Weekly

January 11, 2008

## CENTRAL CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 11

- 7:30 a.m. Upper Room Open (Room 206)  
**8:30 a.m. Holy Communion (Sanctuary)**  
9:30 a.m. Augsburg Nursing Center (Nursing Center)  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School Classes (begin in Room 222)  
9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (Lower Narthex)  
9:45 a.m. Senior High Youth Group (Youth Room)  
9:45 a.m. Lifelong Learning/  
C3 Ministry Team Forum (Room 123)  
9:45 a.m. Global Mission Forum (Community Room)  
9:45 a.m. Shrove Tuesday Planning Meeting (Room 217)  
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)  
**11:00 a.m. Holy Communion (Sanctuary)**  
11:00 a.m. Ivory Coast Worship Service (Community Room)  
12:00 p.m. Amnicon Annual Meeting (Fellowship Hall)  
12:15 p.m. Central Friends Meeting (Room 123)  
6:00 p.m. 8 – 80 AA (Community Room)  
**7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer  
with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)**  
*followed by fellowship in South Commons*

### Monday, January 12

- 9:30 a.m. Clothes Closet Worship (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00 a.m. Clothes Closet (Community Room)  
10:30 a.m. Clothes Closet Meal (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 p.m. DCEH Interfaith Team Meeting (Fireside)  
6:00 p.m. Shalom Circle (Room 123)  
6:30 p.m. CLCW Investment Club (Room 222)

### Tuesday, January 13

- 10:15 a.m. Staff Meeting (Room 123)  
1:30 p.m. Global Mission Ministry Team (Elbow Room)  
5:00 p.m. Congregation Council Meeting (Room 123)  
7:00 p.m. MSO Rehearsal (Community Room)

### Wednesday, January 14

- 9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle (Fireside)  
5:45 p.m. Central Children's Choir Rehearsal (Room 128)  
6:00 p.m. Seminary Relations Ministry Team (Fireside)  
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Wednesday, January 14

- 6:00 p.m. Mannerchor Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
7:15 p.m. Central Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### Thursday, January 15

- 1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet (Community Room)  
7:00 p.m. Ivory Coast Bible Study (Elbow Room)  
7:30 p.m. Central Pacific AA (Fellowship Hall)

### Friday, January 16

- 12:00 p.m. Downtown Bible Study (Fireside)

### Saturday, January 17

- 9:30 a.m. Minneapolis Brass Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
10:00 a.m. Fine Art Ministry Team (South Commons)

### Sunday, January 18

- 7:30 a.m. Upper Room Open (Room 206)  
**8:30 a.m. Holy Communion (Sanctuary)**  
9:30 a.m. Augsburg Nursing Center (Nursing Center)  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School Classes (begin in Room 222)  
9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (Lower Narthex)  
9:45 a.m. Senior High Youth Group (Youth Room)  
9:45 a.m. Lifelong Learning Forum (Room 123)  
9:45 a.m. Global Mission Forum (Community Room)  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Coffee Ministry Meeting (Fireside)  
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00 a.m. AGORA Ministry Team (Room 217)  
**11:00 a.m. Holy Communion (Sanctuary)**  
11:00 a.m. Ivory Coast Worship Service (Community Room)  
12:30 p.m. Peace with Justice Forum (Fellowship Hall)  
3:00 p.m. Salt of the Earth Storytellers (Fireside)  
6:00 p.m. 8 – 80 AA (Community Room)  
**7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer  
with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)**  
*followed by fellowship in South Commons*

To make additions or corrections to this calendar, contact Erica Doss at 612-767-9213, or email [edoss@centralmpls.org](mailto:edoss@centralmpls.org)

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## Today

The Upper Room (Room 206) is open at 7:30 a.m. each Sunday morning for anyone seeking a quiet place for meditation. The Upper Room is sponsored by the Prayer, Spirituality and Meditation Ministry Team.

Learn about light pollution's effects on the environment today at 9:45 a.m. in Room 123. *Let there be Night* is sponsored by the Lifelong Learning and the C3 Ministry Teams. Hear Dr. Paul Bogard share a reading from his new book, which argues that rampant light pollution is destroying the ancient mystery of night. Bogard has enlisted 29 writers, scientists, poets, and scholars to offer their personal experiences of night, and help us to understand what we miss when dark skies and nocturnal wildness vanish. Paul Bogard is a graduate of Carleton College, the University of New Mexico, and the University of Nevada, Reno and is currently visiting Assistant Professor at Northland College, Ashland, WI. Paul is the son of Central members John and Judy Bogard.



Join staff, board members and volunteers from *Camp Amnicon* as they host coffee hour at 9:45 a.m.

Also stop by the Amnicon annual meeting in Fellowship Hall at 12:00 p.m. to hear what has happened during the past year and have your voice heard regarding the future of the camp.

Hear Jennifer Hilde Gerth present *How to Share the Gospel with Atheists* today at 9:45 a.m. in the Community Room. Gerth is Executive Director of the Hospitality Center for the Chinese (HCC). The organization is dedicated to serve Chinese students at the University of Minnesota, which has the largest number of Chinese students of any North American university.

## Health & Wellness

**Augsburg Nursing Center** is open from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. today. Stop by for a blood pressure screening or to ask general health questions.

**Downtown Coalition for Grief Support** meets at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church, 511 Groveland Ave. On Saturday, January 10 hear Mary Christopherson present *New Year, New You*. Refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m., the speaker begins at 10:00 a.m. and a group discussion follows from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. For more information, contact Joan VanWirt at (612) 333-3273.

## At the **INFO DESK**

Attend **Holden Village** August 26 to September 4, 2009! Stop today in South Commons for a brochure. Pre-registration for Holden Village is due January 15, 2009. Call Audrey Grote at (952) 935-3104 for more information.

February is Heart Health Month. The Health Ministry team and CLCW are partnering for an intergenerational **ladies and girls overnight retreat**, Friday February 6 to Saturday, February 7. You are not required to stay overnight at the church. Emotional, spiritual and physical (ESP) healthy hearts are an initiative of the ELCA women. Marytina Lawrence will be helping us look at heart health through God's image during the event. We will make our own healthy heart meals. There will also be fellowship and other activities. Cost is \$15.00. Sign up beginning today in South Commons. Contact Cheryl Smoot, [cangsmoot@msn.com](mailto:cangsmoot@msn.com), or Marie Wiegert, (612) 724-3017 or [mariewiegert@hotmail.com](mailto:mariewiegert@hotmail.com).



### Next Sunday

**God's Healing Hand at Work in Bangladesh**, a fresh eye-witness account of the work of Lutheran Health Care Bangladesh (LHCB) will be presented at 9:45 in the Community Room. LHCB was founded at Central, and members have been partners since the beginning. The focus was on women and children and pre-natal instruction. Central members, Bud Peterson, Mead Cavert and pastoral staff led the founding work. The clinic has grown into a 25-bed hospital (soon to be 50) with a laboratory, pharmacy and operating theatre. Health services have expanded to include health education, outpatient and mobile clinics, immunization and general surgery.

## Notices & Upcoming Events

During the **South Commons and restrooms remodel**, please find alternative restrooms up the stairs. Follow the signs posted. Thank you.

To share a **prayer request**, you may submit a completed pew-card in the offering plate or give to a worship leader. Contact Bette Schuldt at (763) 588-8594 or email Jeni Hill at [jhill@centralmpls.org](mailto:jhill@centralmpls.org).

Listen to Central's **Sunday service on the Internet!** Our radio partner WDGY 740AM broadcasts our morning service over the air and on the web. Just go to [www.wdgyradio.com](http://www.wdgyradio.com) and click on the "Listen Live" link. The service is only available at 11:00 a.m.



### Music News

**Come, Join the Song!** January is a perfect time to join one of Central's choral ensembles. The **Central Choir** rehearses each Wednesday from 7:15 to 9:00 p.m. in the choir room and sings regularly at the 11:00 a.m. worship service and occasionally at the 8:30 a.m. service. Special events this spring include the biennial Downtown Churches Choral Festival on Sunday, February 22 – choirs from seven of our neighboring congregations (some 400 singers!) will join together to perform works by Bach, Rutter, Near and a new work by David Conte (San Francisco) commissioned specially for the event. The choir will also be joined by members of the Metropolitan Symphony to celebrate Central's 90th anniversary on May 17 with a festival *Te Deum*. No auditions are necessary but note reading abilities are extremely helpful. If interested, please contact Central's Director of Music, Mark Sedio at (612) 767-9230 or by e-mail [msedio@centralmpls.org](mailto:msedio@centralmpls.org). Or simply come to one of our regular Wednesday evening rehearsals.

Singers are also welcomed to join our men's ensemble – **the Männerchor**. Rehearsals take place once or twice a month with the choir singing at one Sunday every four to five weeks. Again, note reading abilities are extremely helpful. Any tenors or basses interested should contact Mark Sedio as soon as possible (612) 767-9230 or email [msedio@centralmpls.org](mailto:msedio@centralmpls.org).



## Discipleship Opportunities

There are many discipleship opportunities available within **Central's Community Ministries** (outreach) program. Those interested in volunteering for any opportunity, including the *Clothes Closet*, and the *Monday Community Meal*, may contact Rolf Lowenberg-DeBoer at (612) 767-9214 or [rlowenberg-deboer@centralmpls.org](mailto:rlowenberg-deboer@centralmpls.org).

Do you want to help light up the cold dark winter nights in our community? Central is invited to join St. Mark's Episcopal Church and their outreach ministry. **Aeon Homes** is looking for six to 15 volunteers to hang lights outdoors in South Minneapolis on Saturday, January beginning at 9:30 a.m. Hot chocolate and treats will follow indoors!! If you are interested, contact Lynn Gilligan at (612) 805-4055; [lynn.gilligan@macys.com](mailto:lynn.gilligan@macys.com) or Karen Knox at (612) 767-9211; [kknox@centralmpls.org](mailto:kknox@centralmpls.org).

All Weekly Spirit announcements are due by 2 p.m. Monday of each week.

Please submit announcement requests to Kelly Bartnick at [kbartnick@centralmpls.org](mailto:kbartnick@centralmpls.org) or on forms available at the Church Office.

### DAILY LECTIONARY

**Sunday, Jan. 11** - Psalms 29;  
1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; Luke 5:1-11  
**Monday, Jan. 12** - Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36;  
Genesis 17:1-13; Romans 4:1-12  
**Tuesday, Jan. 13** - Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36;  
Exodus 30:22-38; Acts 22:2-16  
**Wednesday, Jan. 14** - Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36;  
Isaiah 41:14-20; John 1:29-34

**Thursday, Jan. 15** - Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;  
Judges 2:6-15; 2 Corinthians 10:1-11  
**Friday, Jan. 16** - Psalm 86;  
1 Samuel 15:10-31; Acts 5:1-11  
**Saturday, Jan. 17** - Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;  
1 Samuel 2:21-25; Matthew 25:1-13  
**Sunday, Jan. 18** - 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20];  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20;  
John 1:43-51

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