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Office Hours September – June 2020

Monday –Thursday
9.30 - 12.30

Deadline for bulletin entries Wednesday 11am.

Large Print Sunday Service Bulletins available.

Note: We are a nut free facility



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First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019 - 10am

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Praise Choir An Invitation for Advent

Offering

Prayer

Worship Joy of the Lord
 Hark the Herald, King of Heaven
 O Come to the Altar

Prayer song God So Loved

Message Rev. Dr. Aubrey Botha

Communion
 Invitation to the table The Table
 The Bread #114 Emmanuel Emmanuel
 The Wine #122 O Come O Come Emmanuel

Closing worship Goodness of God

Benediction

***Children are encouraged to join us in Kidzone following
"O Come to the Altar"***

Greeters this week: Abby Holland & Lauren Kauffman

*In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome all who come
to worship with us today.*

Please join us after the service for coffee/tea & fellowship



Car Seat needed! One of Central's families is in need of a 3 point harness CAR SEAT for a toddler. If you have one that still meets safety requirements and are willing to donate it, please contact Kerri Beda at kerri@cpcmail.ca

Grades 9-12 CYAH-Central Youth After Hours Upcoming Events



**Christmas social and secret Santa
gift exchange!**

\$20 limit

Saturday, Dec.14th at 7:30pm

Location - TBA

Contact Cathy Kaufman 519-590-5934 or
ckaufman@bell.net to RSVP and for more information

Nursery: Infants - 3 years old

KidZone: Ages 3 - grade 7

FAMILY
ministry

KidZone meets during the service in the fellowship hall.
We engage in large group worship and teaching, then break
off into age based small groups for discussion and activities.

Children can be picked up after the service from their small
group classrooms.

Ages 3-5: classroom next to the Nursery
Grades 1-3: classroom opposite Minister's office
Grades 4-7: room above the library



Toonies for Rachel's Home

We have received some critical news from Rachel's Home, the AIDS orphanage and community school that we support as our international mission. Lesotho and other parts of southern Africa are suffering one of the worst droughts in many years and Hilda, the housemother of the orphanage, tells us that their vegetable garden has totally failed. This means the children are without a supply of vegetables to supplement their diets. There is no "Veggie Patch" for these children unless we can help them.

So, we are responding to their need by providing a program called "Toonies for Rachel's Home". We are asking each person in our congregation to donate on Dec. 15, the day of our Children's Christmas Pageant. Keep a look out for Christmas stockings to donate your toonies. For the cost of just one coffee or one chocolate bar, we will be able to provide some vegetables throughout the drought, a Christmas dinner and a Christmas gift of one clothing item such as a T-shirt for each orphan and community school child.

Please help to ensure that no child is forgotten this Christmas as we show God's love to those so desperately in need.

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity
in the lives of these children.

THIS COMING WEEK AT CENTRAL

Session Management	Monday	4.00pm
Alpha	Monday	6.15pm
Praise team	Tuesday	7.00pm
Prayer Group	Tuesday	7.30pm
Session	Wednesday	7.00pm
Connected	Wednesday	7.00pm
Minister's Bible Study	Thursday	7.00pm
Choir	Thursday	7.00pm
White Gift Sunday	Dec. 08	10.00am

2020 Offering Envelope Boxes are ready for you to pick up. Please look for yours on the tables located in the back of the sanctuary this morning.

UPCOMING AT CENTRAL

JR Youth Christmas	Dec 13	7.00pm
Family Christmas Service	Dec 15	10.00am
Lesotho Toonie Sunday	Dec 15	10.00am
Nairn Taylor Social	Dec 17	1.00pm
Christian Education	Dec 17	6.00pm
Men's Breakfast	Dec 21	8.00am
Christmas Eve Service	Dec 24	6.00pm





WHITE GIFT SUNDAY on Dec. 8

White Gift Sunday has its origins in a Methodist Church in Ohio around the year 1904. There the idea began to give gifts wrapped in white paper to people in need at Christmas. Gifts were given anonymously so that no one would make comparisons on the value of the gifts. Everyone could share in the gift giving and all gifts were appreciated equally.

This year we are once again supporting the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank, focusing on “seniors in need” specifically. This is a group that is often overlooked in our community – many are alone and are living on as little as \$12,000/year for food, rent, clothing, medical and other needs. Some suggestions for gifts are toiletries such as hand lotion, shampoo, and shaving cream, gloves/mittens, hats, scarves, slippers, socks and other clothing items, chocolates/candy. Gifts may be unwrapped or if wrapped, please indicate male (M) or female (F). For many seniors this will be the only gift they receive, and it is a wonderful way to show God’s love in our community.

Please donate any gifts if possible, by Dec. 8 so that the Food Bank has time to distribute the gifts through its many programs. If you would rather that we did the shopping, we will provide labelled envelopes for “White Gift Sunday” beside the Christmas tree in the hall. Please place them in the collection plate on Sunday.

OUR “MITTEN TREE” FOR KIDS

We will place a tree in the hall to collect donations of mittens, hats, scarves and other winter apparel for children and youth in need in our community until Dec. 22.



We consulted the Food Bank who will distribute the items and were told that both newly purchased and “home-made” items would be happily received. If you would rather that we did the shopping, we will provide labelled envelopes for the “Mitten Tree” beside the Christmas tree in the hall to make any donations. Please place them in the collection plate on Sunday. Please help us fill the tree!

WHO DOES WHAT?

Session: The Session is responsible for overseeing all groups and activities that take place within the congregation including Christian Education, children's and youth programs, adult groups, missions, outreach, some aspects of worship, stewardship and pastoral care for everyone in the congregation. Members of session are elected by the congregation and ordained as ruling elders.

Board of Managers: The Board of Managers is responsible for keeping the building and other property in good condition and for managing the finances and keeping financial records. Members of the Board are elected by the congregation.

Trustees: As required by law in Ontario, trustees are people who represent the congregation in legal matters. For example, if the congregation were to take out a mortgage, the trustees would sign on behalf of the congregation. Trustees are appointed by the congregation.

WINTER CLOTHING COLLECTION for the FOOD BANK



We will have a labelled basket in the front foyer for collection of winter clothing items that are **gently used (clean and in good repair)**. Items such as coats, boots, sleeping bags, hats, scarves, mitts, and socks would be greatly appreciated

SAVE THE DATES 2020!

The dates are booked for Kintail Weekends!

We are going to camp April 17-19
and October 16-18.

Open to all men

No building skills or callouses required!



Central Cares: Central does a lot of work to help those in need in our community. We also want to make sure that people in our own congregation are looked after in times of need as well. We would like to develop a list of people who can prepare meals on occasion, who will drive people to church events etc. Is this something you could help with? If so, speak to any elder or give your name to Debbie in the office.