

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE BIBLES:** Central Church is giving the gift of a Bible to the graduating high school seniors. The Bibles are displayed on a table near the church entrance. Everyone is invited to write a note to each graduate in their Bibles. You may highlight your favorite Bible verse or leave them a special note in the margins! These will then be given to the seniors on Senior Recognition Sunday, which is **Sunday, May 5!** Thank you!

**CONFIRMATION ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS AND SERVICE REHEARSAL:** This year's confirmands will have their one-on-one meetings with Pastor Thom and Levi on **Wednesday, May 8, at 3:30 p.m.** during their normal Middle School Youth Group time. Parents are then welcomed to join the students for a service rehearsal **at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8,** in the Sanctuary. Pastor Thom and Levi will go over how the confirmation services will be run and give you all the details for Confirmation Sunday, which is scheduled for **Sunday, May 19.** If you have questions, please contact Levi at 949-0519.

**ALL-CHURCH SKATING NIGHT:** The **LAST** night of Wednesday Night Activities for the 2023-2024 school year at Central Church will be **Wednesday, May 8, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.** Everyone young and old are invited to an all-church skate night at Sioux Historic in Ortonville. Families are encouraged to drive to Ortonville on your own and meet there at **5:00 p.m.** Limited transportation may be available to those who need it. **The cost is \$5 per skater.** Pizza will be served! **EACH PERSON WHO ATTENDS** will need to sign a waiver! **Middle School youth will meet at their REGULAR TIME for a snack and games prior to departing for the skating event.** For questions, please contact Levi, 949-0519, or Ginny, 949-0832.

**SEASONED CITIZENS OF CENTRAL GATHERING:** The Seasoned Citizens of Central will hold their monthly meeting on **Thursday, May 9, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Pastor DeVern Schwenn and Marge Bohn will give a presentation on the long history of Central Church. Come enjoy their talk along with coffee, rolls, fellowship, and music. Please call the Church Office, 432-4766, for a ride.

**GRADUATION CELEBRATIONS:** Please join these seniors as they celebrate their High School graduation:

**Jackson Hausauer: Saturday, May 4,** from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. at their home at 1102 Adams Drive, Milbank

**Isaac Graham: Saturday, May 11,** from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. at their home at 404 Greenwood Ave, Milbank

**Nadia Thue: Saturday, May 11,** from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Central Church Fellowship Hall

**Brooke Schwagel: Friday, May 17,** from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Complex in Milbank

**LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The last day of Sunday School for the 2023-2024 school year will be **Sunday, May 12.** Please mark your calendars!

**MOTHER'S DAY GIVING PROJECT:** As a special Mother's Day offering, you will be able to give a gift to the **Central Global Vision Fund for the Kissy (Gess) Eye Hospital in Sierra Leone** in memory or in honor of your mother, grandmother, or other special women in your life. **Forms are included in the bulletins** and at the Welcome Center. Please have your form turned into the Central Church Office by **Wednesday, May 8,** to be included in the list of loved ones being remembered or honored on **Sunday, May 12.** Thank you!

**MUFFINS FOR MOMS:** The Fellowship and Service Committee will serve "Muffins for Moms" in honor of Mother's Day on **Sunday, May 12.** Muffins will be served from **9:30 – 11:00 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy a special treat!

**GEARLY BELOVED CENTRAL TOUR:** Come join the family fun on **Saturday, May 18,** from **9:00 – 11:00 a.m.** at Pribyl Park. Bring your bikes, trikes, scooters, strollers, rollerblades, walking shoes, and friends of all ages! There will be snacks, drinks, chalk, and bubble fun for the little ones, and a few family-friendly competitions (with prizes). Invite some friends and join the fun! There will be a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center, just to get an idea of numbers! Hope you can join the fun and fellowship! This event is sponsored by the Evangelism Committee of Central!

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY:** Confirmation Sunday at Central Church is scheduled for **Sunday, May 19.** Please join us at both services (**8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**) as the youth publicly affirm the grace of God in their baptism and acknowledge their acceptance of that grace by faith. **Coffee and goodies will be served in honor of the confirmands between services at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Those eligible to be confirmed include: Shantel Eilers, Rylie Ehlebracht, Rileigh Gapp, Nolan Grabow, Jack Howard, Bentley Moser, Adison Pauli, Isabella Pauli, Haylee Rieck, Tayson Tillma, Bree Townsend, and James Urbanski.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024 REGISTRATION:** Registration has begun for Vacation Bible School 2024 with the theme "**The Great Jungle Journey.**" Every day, our kids are bombarded with questions: Did God really create everything? Why do bad things happen? Was Noah's ark real? Why do I need to be saved? Can I trust the Bible? At this VBS, your kids will explore the biblical answers to these questions as they set off on an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation. Amid sloths, butterflies, river dolphins, and dart frogs, your children will sail along on a fun jungle cruise, stopping at seven ports of call (the 7 C's of History) - Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. Kids will discover how these events shape our world, and they will learn to reconnect the Bible to their everyday life. Prepare to swing into fun as we head out on The Great Jungle Journey! VBS will take place from **Sunday, July 21, through Thursday, July 25,** from **5:00 – 8:00 p.m.** at Central Church for kids ages 3 through those who have completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Supper will be served from **5:00 – 5:30 p.m.** with the Opening Assembly starting at **5:30 p.m.** You may register online or by filling out a paper form located at the Welcome Center. Register **ONLINE** at <https://httpsmilbankcentralmyanswers.myanswers.com/jungle-journey> or you may download a form at [www.milbankcentral.com](http://www.milbankcentral.com).

## CENTRAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – APRIL 28, 2024

Today: 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – In the Fellowship Hall and Outside of the Sanctuary  
9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Sunday School (ages 2 – high school) - Downstairs  
9:45 – 10:45 a.m. “Crash Course on Evangelism” Mission Trip Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service  
2:00 p.m. Piano Recital – Sanctuary in Use  
6:30 p.m. Men’s Evening Bible Study – Heritage Room

Monday: 8:15 a.m. The Gathering – Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Study Group – Downstairs Study Room  
7:00 p.m. “Untangle Your Emotions” Study – Heritage Room

Tuesday: 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting – Heritage Room  
4:30 p.m. Life Quest – Kitchen/Fellowship Hall  
4:45 p.m. Thrive – Downstairs

Wednesday: 6:45 a.m. Men’s Morning Bible Study – Heritage Room  
3:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group – Fellowship Hall/Youth Room  
5:15 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal – Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group – Youth Room  
6:00 p.m. JAM Activities (preschool – grade 5) – Downstairs  
6:15 p.m. Got(d) Questions with Pastor Thom - Sanctuary  
6:15 p.m. “Don’t Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table” Study – Heritage Room  
7:30 p.m. Trustees Committee Meeting – Heritage Room

Thursday: 6:00 p.m. “The Chosen” – Season 2 Bible Study – Youth Room

Next Sunday: Holy Communion and High School Senior Recognition Sunday  
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
9:30 – 11:00 a.m. High School Seniors Reception – Fellowship Hall  
9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Sunday School (ages 2 – high school) - Downstairs  
9:45 – 10:45 a.m. “Crash Course on Evangelism” Mission Trip Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service  
6:30 p.m. Men’s Evening Bible Study – Heritage Room

### WHERE CAN YOU FIND US?

#### Radio:

KMSD 1510  
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

#### Television:

ITC Cable Channel 95  
Mondays at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Traditional)  
Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. (Blended)  
and Video on Demand  
Midcontinent Cable Channel 3  
Mondays at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. (Traditional)  
Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. (Blended)

**Phone:** 605-432-4766

**Website:** [www.milbankcentral.com](http://www.milbankcentral.com)

#### Social Media:

Facebook – Central Church  
Instagram – centralchurch201



## CENTRAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – APRIL 28, 2024

**MEMORIAL BOOK:** The memorial book is open to the glory of God and in loving memory of Arlys Helmbrecht and Emmet Stengel.

**BAPTISM:** The baptism at our 11:00 a.m. service today is for Dax Wyma Tongen. Dax was born on December 23, 2023, and is the son of Bryce Tongen and Ashly Eilers. Sponsors are Amy Eilers, Jodi Tongen, Alexandra Tongen, Leigha Johnson, Christian Fokken, Austin Moen, and Hunter Freeman. Additional family members are Todd Tongen, Donnie Eilers, Shantel Eilers, and Laura Eilers.

**THIS WEEK’S YOUNG ADULTS SPOTLIGHT:** Each week, we highlight young adults as they transition into their post high school education and careers. We can remember them with prayer, a note of encouragement, or even fresh cookies.

Ian Madsen: 404 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Milbank, SD 57252

Marcus Bohn: 509 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Brookings, SD 57006

**BIRTHDAYS:** Celebrating upcoming birthdays (May 2 - 8) are:

Thursday, May 2 – Gregg Dunnihoo, Greg Grabow, and Harlan Loeschke

Friday, May 3 – Darci Ganske, Jodi DeVaal, and Blake Schmieg

Sunday, May 5 – Tyler Grabow and Toby Schneck

Tuesday, May 7 – Mary Skoog

Wednesday, May 8 – Roger Hoff and Casen Rise

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Celebrating an anniversary are:

Thursday, May 2 – Greg and Andrea Bohn and Terry and Anita Aaker

Sunday, May 5 – Mark and Wendy DeFea

Tuesday, May 7 – Kerby and Jessica Weets

**LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL:** Everyone is invited to the Wednesday Night Meal on **Wednesday, May 1, at 5:15 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. **THIS WILL BE THE LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR.** We will then take a break for the summer! Grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, potato salad, Frito salad, chips, and ice cream with toppings will be served for a **FREE-WILL donation.**

**HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY: Sunday, May 5,** we will be honoring Central Church’s youth who are graduating with the Class of 2024 during both the **8:30 and 11:00 a.m.** Worship Services! Please also join us for a reception for these youth during the coffee fellowship time (**9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**) in the Fellowship Hall. The graduates will be there to visit, and refreshments will be served. This year’s seniors are: Isaac Cordell, Callie Fuller, Isaac Graham, Jackson Hausauer, Adalena Hoke, Caleb Rick, Matti Scott, Brooke Schwagel, and Nadia Thue. Come help us celebrate this milestone in the lives of our youth!