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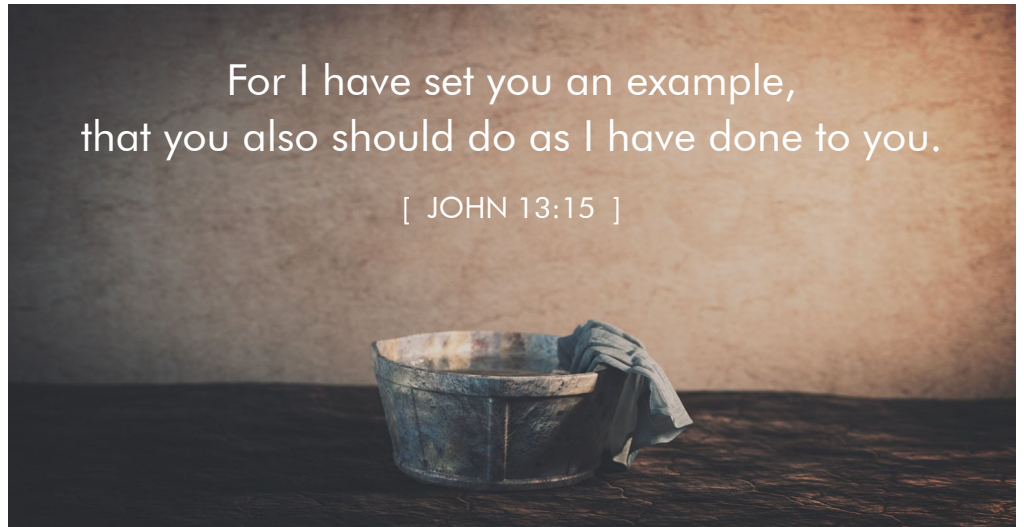
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For I have set you an example,
that you also should do as I have done to you.

[JOHN 13:15]



THE CALL TO SERVE

[BY REV. ASHLEY BAIR]

Before the feast of Passover, the last feast shared between Jesus and his friends, Jesus poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciple's feet (John 13). The disciples were unsure of why Jesus would do such a thing. Historically, dinner guests were invited into a home by a nameless servant who washed feet and hands before the meal. So, the disciples were confused. In fact, Peter even said to Jesus, "You will never wash my feet." Peter said this not as an insult or a demand, but rather as a question, embarrassed that Jesus would do something that was typically performed by a servant.

Jesus, however, continued and washed all of their feet, and said to

them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So, if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. (John 13:12 -17)"

Jesus' service to the disciples was intentionally shaped as an act of love meant as an example to be followed. He showed the disciples

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UPCOMING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Madeline Hart-Andersen will return to our pulpit and we will celebrate the sacrament of communion.

Madeline Hart-Andersen is a Candidate under care of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area. She graduated from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in May with her M.Div. and spent the summer doing Clinical Pastoral Education (Chaplain-Intern) at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis. She loves her dog Phin, the outdoors, knitting, and sewing, and is very glad to be back in Minnesota.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

IT'S FESTIVAL SUNDAY!

Every Sunday at Central we have a pattern of gathering together and then being sent out to serve God. This weekly pattern feels even more important and obvious on this day as Sunday School classes begins, and choir rehearsals have resumed, and families have started new patterns with the new school year. We hope you will join us for a day we hope feels a bit like a festival. Rev. Colby will preach on a passage and an image of God from the prophet Jeremiah (18:1-11). Of God as a potter, shaping and reshaping creation to try to create good and beauty out of a lump of clay. Rev. David Colby preaches.

Education for Adults 9:30 a.m.

Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Coffee & Fellowship 11:30 a.m.

The Central Choir returns from the summer break, and leads the congregation in singing our newly commissioned hymn "Forever Embracing" by our composer-in-residence Abbie Betinis. We will continue to sing this hymn each week in September.

The new hand bell choir will be debuting in worship as well, ringing *Spiegel im Spiegel* by Arvo Pärt with violinist Cara Wilson joining us.

After worship, join us in the dining room for the volunteer service fair, games and treats!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

On the third Sundays of each month, such as Sept 15, all are invited to stay after worship for a Third Sunday Lunch. In doing this, we are very much following in the ways of Jesus, who used meals as an opportunity not just for people to be fed, but to be nourished and included. But the meals shared by Jesus were not without controversy. Rev. Colby will preach on a story

from Luke 15 (15:1-10) that begins with complaints being lodged about the company with whom Jesus shares meals.

Rev. David Colby preaches and Central Choir sings.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Rev. Ashley Bair will preach on Luke 16:1-13. What does Jesus say about our relationship with money? In a society where money is considered both a blessing and a curse, yet necessary for survival, how are we being faithful stewards with our dollars?

The Central Choir sings, and we are joined by Mark Doerr who plays the *vielle à roue* (we know this as a Hurdy Gurdy in English). Following worship, our first rehearsal of the year for the Chamber Ensemble.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Jesus lived during a period of intense social stratification. And in a memorable teaching, Jesus told the story of a rich man and a poor man. In a surprising gospel twist, we never learn the name of the rich man, but instead come to see the world through poor Lazarus' eyes (Luke 16:19-31). Rev. Colby will preach on *The Great Chasm*.

Ars Nova Brass Quintet plays in worship along with Central Choir.

ALL ARE INVITED



FESTIVAL

SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 8

THE EXCHANGE - 9:15 A.M.

New this year, come early to gather, sing, pray, and connect in the Fireside Room each Sunday.

EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES - 9:30 A.M.

Sunday School returns and Adult Bible Study enters a new series called Bible 101 on how to read the Bible.

WORSHIP SERVICE - 10:30 A.M.

Rev. Colby preaches and new Bibles are handed out to Central's Kindergarten and 3rd grade children.

FESTIVAL CELEBRATION - 11:30 A.M.

Connect with others in our service fair, enjoy games and activities, ice cream sundaes & fun for all!

www.centralforgood.org/festival

MUSIC ENSEMBLE REHEARSALS BEGIN!

Learn more and join us! If you have interest or questions about the following opportunities, please contact Jennifer Anderson, Director of Music Ministry at jennifera@cpcstpaul.org.

CENTRAL CHOIR

Who: Adults

What: An SATB Choir that sings in worship nearly every week, September – May. While reading music isn't required, this choir moves quickly, learns a lot of repertoire, and throughout the year sings some challenging music (as well as more accessible music).

When: Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

We sing most Sundays, and usually gather at 9:30 a.m. for warm-ups and rehearsal.

STICKS AND STEEL 1

Who: Children grades 3 – 5

What: This is the entry-level group for our Percussion Ensemble. We will learn how to play various percussion instruments and hand chimes, and play in worship occasionally throughout the year.

When: We will have two dates in which we share in worship and additional dates preparing for them.

Sticks & Steel 1 - Rehearse Jan. 12 and 19 after church. Rehearse Jan. 26 before church, then play in worship.

Sticks & Steel 1 AND 2 - Rehearse May 31 and June 7 after church, June 14 before church, then play in worship.

STICKS AND STEEL 2

Who: Middle School and High School Youth

What: This is the advanced Youth Percussion Ensemble. We will play more difficult music, while exploring the unique sounds of the marimba, glockenspiel, chimes, bells, drums, and auxiliary percussion.

When: We will have three dates in which we share in worship and additional dates preparing for them.

Sticks and Steel 2 - Rehearse Nov. 3 and 10 after church, Nov. 17 before church, then play in that day's worship.

Sticks and Steel 2 - Rehearse Feb. 23 and March 1 after church, March 8 before church, then play in worship.

Sticks & Steel 1 AND 2 - Rehearse May 31 and June 7 after church, June 14 before church, then play in worship.

CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Who: Open to adult and youth (grade 8 and up) instrumentalists (traditional band and orchestra instruments) who have played their instrument for at least 3 years.

What: We play chamber music for

orchestral and band instruments.

When: We rehearse after worship for 30 minutes and play in worship about once per month. Our first rehearsal is Sept. 22 at 11:45 a.m.

In order to have music ready for you, please contact Jennifer Anderson several days in advance of when you plan to join us.

BELL ENSEMBLE

Who: Adults and high school youth who have music reading skills and can play independently. Not a group suited for beginners (though if there is enough interest, we may add a second group in the future!) This group will experiment with sounds and timbres and use repertoire that stretches the limits of what we think of as *bell choir music*. Come and experiment with us!

When: Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. starting September. (May be moving to 7:15 p.m. in November. Or first Sunday to ring in worship is September 8!

Because there is a lot of interest in this group, another more traditional bell choir may be added on Tuesday nights at 6:30 p.m. Stay tuned! If you are interested in either group, please speak with Jennifer Anderson.

VOCALPOINT

VocalPoint Sunday (for Central Choir and auditioned VocalPoint singers) is scheduled for October 13, with a program and lunch to follow. Come and learn about our 2020 beneficiary organization!

GET READY FOR CABARET!

[BY JENNIER ANDERSON]

Mark your calendars now for Cabaret: *The Sound of Music* after church on Sunday, October 27.

This fun, semi-staged musical production features our children, choir, and chamber "pit" orchestra! We need singers and stage help. If you are interested in either one, please speak with Jennifer Anderson soon!

For more information, visit www.centralforgood.org/cabaret.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Adults rehearse on Wednesday nights at 7:15 starting October 2.

Children grades 3 and up:

During the fall family retreat on Oct. 5. We'll also be making Marionette puppets for the show! Kids interested in a solo/duet can try-out for the part at the retreat. These are encouraging, low-stress try-outs! (If



your child is not attending the family retreat, but would like to be considered for a solo/duet, please speak with me as soon as possible so that we can make other plans. Thanks!)

Wednesday evenings Oct. 9 and 16 at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 7:15 p.m.

Dress Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. on Oct. 27th. Show is at noon that day!

Children grades 2 and under:

Rehearsals will take place on Sunday mornings during singing time (at 10:00 a.m.)

Dress Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. on Oct. 27th. Show is at noon that day!

WELCOME GUEST VIOLINIST CARA WILSON

Violinist Cara Wilson will be joining the hand bell choir in worship on September 8. Cara is a freelance violinist and teacher based in St Paul, MN. She is on faculty at St Joseph's School of Music where she teaches violin and ukulele to students of all ages and abilities. She is violinist for the horn trio *Melange a Trois*, and a multi-instrumentalist in the band *Four*

Hour Parking. She enjoys a varied playing schedule from accompanying area choirs, to exploring newly composed works, to backing up the likes of Michael Bubl . She holds a Bachelor of Music from St Olaf College and studied at the University of Minnesota with Sally O'Reilly. She lives in St Paul with her husband and three children.



DID YOU KNOW?



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

On Festival Sunday, Adult Bible Study will begin a three week series called Bible 101. It will be taught by Rev. David Colby and will explore how to read the Bible.

In the coming year, more educational opportunities and learning tracts for people of all ages will be added to the 9:30 a.m. hour on Sundays!

If you are interested in being a part of Bible study, feel free to come to the Friendship Room at 9:30 a.m. any Sunday. Currently led by Maureen Smith, it takes a deeper look at the scripture for each Sunday's sermon. If you want to learn more or have questions, contact Maureen at mcsmith@tc.umn.edu.



SEEKING NOMINATIONS

Central's Nominating Committee has begun its work to reflect upon the needs of the church and the gifts of our church members for leadership. They would love to hear ideas about people you believe would make great ruling elders and deacons. Self-nominations are not only allowed, they are absolutely encouraged.

Ruling elders should be persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit.

Elders, who upon election serve on the Session, share in discernment of God's Spirit and governance of God's people.

The ministry of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives,

brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this ministry.

Please pray for our work of discernment and send suggestions of people who should be considered for elders and deacons to Carl Willis at carlwillis@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
 2019 NOMINATING COMMITTEE
 Wendy Flinner, Mel Leach,
 Craig Muntifering, Stu Siebell,
 Carl Willis, Ashley Bair, Dave Colby



Opportunities to serve as worship leaders are available for all ages! If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Rev. David Colby at dcolby@cpstpaul.org.



After a special message for them in worship, children are invited up to the nursery for open play. The Children & Youth Ministry is currently seeking Sunday School Teachers for the coming program year. If you are interested in working with them, please contact Katie Morris at katiem@cpstpaul.org.

CHILDREN & YOUTH EDUCATION

CONFIRMATION CLASS

In the Presbyterian tradition, we practice infant baptism, meaning that families and faith communities make commitments to nurture the faith of infants. As those children grow, they have the opportunity to participate in confirmation, in which they learn more about the Presbyterian tradition and can make the decision to publicly profess their faith to become members of the church. Confirmands get to experience a reaffirmation of their baptism and the promises that their faith community made at their baptism.

At Central, we hold confirmation classes every few years based on our numbers. Many churches hold classes for late middle/early high schoolers, but the specific age is less important than the commitment of the group to meeting and learning together. In the 2019-2020 school year, confirmation at Central is open to 8th and 9th graders, as well as any older youth who have not had the opportunity to participate in a class. The class will meet regularly throughout the program year to get to know one another, ask tough questions about their faith, learn about the Christian tradition, and learn about the life of the church at Central.

The class will be led by the Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator, Katie Morris, along with Pastors Ashley and Dave, and other folks who participate in the life of the church at Central. The confirmation

process is a church-wide process, as part of the covenant we make at baptism, and we want to celebrate the challenging work the confirmands do in examining their faiths. If you have questions about confirmation, are interested in participating as a confirmand this year, or are interested in adult leadership, contact Katie Morris.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

This year, our Sunday mornings will begin together at 9:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room with The Exchange. This is a time to gather, sing, pray and connect with people of all ages.

From there, education will be offered from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. for the following ages:

NURSERY:

0-3 years, in the nursery (upstairs).

PREK - KINDERGARTEN:

In the preschool room (upstairs).

GRADES 1 - 3:

In the orange room (upstairs).

GRADES 4 - 5:

In the John Huss room (basement, past the music rooms).

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL:

In the John Huss room (basement, past the music rooms).

CONFIRMATION:

In the Christian Education office (upstairs).

MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

Please see page 4 to learn about opportunities for children and youth to be involved with music here at Central! There are opportunities to sing in Cabaret, to play in one of two Sticks and Steel groups, and for our older youth to play their instruments in the Chamber Ensemble.

If you have any questions, please speak with Jennifer Anderson, Director of Music Ministries or email her at jennifera@cpcstpaul.org.

CHILDCARE

At Central, we grow in faith and serve Christ in many age groups and interest groups, but every Sunday we worship together as God's gathered people. Because it is important to us that we all worship together, we provide a variety of children's worship materials in the back of the sanctuary for children to use during worship. We also have a moment during the service when children are invited forward to hear a special message.

We know that sometimes children are more comfortable in a different space, so childcare is available in the upstairs nursery during all regular worship services, and children can be signed in and out by a parent or guardian. If you have questions about childcare for a church event or meeting, contact Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator, Katie Morris at katiem@cpcstpaul.org.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

MONTHLY FAMILY EVENTS

Central's monthly family events were created as a space for affordable and fun fellowship for families with children of all ages. Many of the activities are local to the downtown neighborhood and offer a way to explore what surrounds the church. Some months, other church programs might fulfill the 'family event' space, like the family retreat in October. We always welcome any suggestions for activities that you might have!

SEPTEMBER FAMILY EVENT

On Sunday, September 15th, we'll walk to the Minnesota Museum of American Art after our third Sunday lunch at the church (around 1:00 p.m.) Admission is free, so come and stay as long as you'd like. The M showcases both local and national artists, as well as having a creativity space with plenty of materials for making art whenever you visit.

OCTOBER FAMILY EVENT

On October 4 - 6, we will hold our annual fall family retreat at Koinonia Retreat Center in South Haven. This

is a fun family camping event that provides space for making deeper connections: with each other, with the surrounding landscape, and with God. To learn more, see page 10.

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS WITH HOUSE OF HOPE

This year, we'll be collaborating with our neighbor church, House of Hope, for their monthly tween and middle school events! These are affordable monthly events just for 4th-8th graders focusing on fellowship, fun, service, and friendship.

We'll gather for dinner and a variety of social events and service projects throughout the school year on Friday evenings, usually from 6:00-8:00 p.m. These events are open to all 4th-8th graders in the House of Hope and Central communities. First up for September is bowling on September 20th! RSVP is required. If you would like to participate, contact Katie Morris for a registration form.

STAY INFORMED!

If you would like to learn more about what's happening in Children and Youth Ministries or events for families with young children, we encourage you to sign up for our weekly Children and Youth eConnect by contacting

Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator Katie Morris at katiem@cpcstpaul.org. You can also sign up on our website at www.centralforgood.org/ newsletter.



SEPTEMBER 8

Programming for Children and Youth Ministry returns this fall with kickoff on Festival Sunday! This day will include:

9:15 - 9:25 a.m.

Introduction of The Exchange

A time to gather, sing, pray, and connect in the Fireside Room.

9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Education for All Ages

Sunday school, adult bible study, confirmation class and choir rehearsal.

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Worship

Includes return of the Central Choir and a dedication of Bibles to kindergarten and 3rd-graders

11:30 - 1:00 a.m.

Festival Fun & Fellowship!

A service fair showcasing the work of Central along with time for fellowship, games, and treats!

FALL FAMILY RETREAT (OCTOBER 4-6)

WHAT IS IT?

Central's family retreat provides space for making deeper connections: with each other, with the surrounding landscape, and with God. We will have ample free time for families to relax together, share meals together, and some scheduled activities: including singing with Jennifer, a variety show, and s'mores on Saturday. Sunday morning our time will conclude with a worship service in the chapel.

Koinonia has many options for activities, including a lake with canoes, a labyrinth, walking trails, and a campfire.

DATES

October 4 - 6, 2019.

LODGING

Koinona Retreat Center
South Haven, MN 55382
www.koinoniareretreatcenter.com

We stay in the retreat house lodge and coordinate rooming based on the families attending. Some rooms share a bath, some have private, and we all share a common space.

MEALS

Meals are buffet-style with plenty of options in the dining room. Those able to arrive in time for dinner on Friday evening are invited to Barb Westman's home just down the shoreline from Koinonia. The cost for that dinner is \$10 per adult, kids are free.

COST

Housing for two nights, three meals on Saturday and two on Sunday is \$115 per adult and \$60 per child (ages 5 and up). Children under 5 are free. Scholarships are available for those in need financial help to be able to attend. (For scholarship info, contact Katie Morris at katiem@cpkstpaul.org to learn more and to make arrangements.)

REGISTRATION

Registration is due by September 15 with fees due by arrival at Koinonia on October 4th. Simply complete the following form and return to the office.



2019 FAMILY RETREAT REGISTRATION

To register, fill out and return this page to the office or worship offertory plate.

RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 15 (REGISTRATION FEES DUE OCTOBER 4)

Parent(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Child: _____

Child: _____

Child: _____

Child: _____

Are you also attending Friday night dinner?

YES NO

Food allergies/dietary requests:

THE CALL TO SERVE [CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1]

that service is not meant for some, but for all. The ways in which we serve each other, are the ways in which we serve Christ. Jesus calls us to serve one another as he served his disciples at his last meal, by humbling ourselves and giving in love and gratitude. Service is a way to honor our community and to restore dignity in our lives and world.

We are called to act in ways that extend hospitality and kindness, and to invite others in so that the love we share for one another might extend out to the world. Today as you reflect on this beloved story of Jesus' humble service, imagine Jesus bringing the basin to your own feet.

What are the ways you can serve your community? Be challenged to bring the basin to your neighbors feet, that you might invite others into a community of mutual sharing and into participation in the mission to extend God's love as an example to be followed.

Over the coming year, you will hear more about the call to serve and the many opportunities to do so at Central and within our community. As a part of Festival Sunday we will be holding our very first service fair which will highlight the many volunteer opportunities that exist at Central and the committees who guide them. We will also be conducting a survey in the coming weeks to explore your own areas of interest, unique skills you possess, and possible obstacles to service you face so that we may find the best fit for all.

If at anytime you have questions about any of the service opportunities you see, please feel free to speak with Anna Sanchez, our Church Administrator at office@cpcstpaul.org or call her at (651) 224-4728 ext. 100. To see opportunities to serve at Central at anytime, please visit our website at www.centralforgood.org/volunteer.



Another fun outing for Children & Youth families - this time to Como Park for mini golf!



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MEET THE CHAMBER ENSEMBLE!

Last spring, Central premiered a new chamber ensemble group expanding our music ensembles to include instrumentalists. As we see and enjoy their music contributions in worship more and more, we thought it would be nice to get to know more about them!

ABBIE BETINIS Baritone Horn

How long have you played your instrument? **On and off since senior year of high school.**

Did you play in band/orchestra in High School? **Yes.**

How many instruments do you play, including this one? **4 (and you'll have to ask Abbie what they are!)**

Words that you would use to describe your instrument: **Big, loud, shiny, and beautiful.**

Favorite part about being in an ensemble: **Getting to hear the final product when it all comes together! And laughing when we mess up. And doing it anyway until it gets better.**

MARK FLINNER Cello

How long have you played your instrument? **Since 5th grade.**

Did you play in band/orchestra in High School? **Yes.**

How many instruments do you play, including this one? **1 - Piano**

Words that you would use to describe your instrument: **An extension of my soul.**

Favorite part about being in an ensemble: **Sharing artistic intimacy through coordinated musical expression.**

WENDY FLINNER Organ

How long have you played your instrument? **50 years.**

Did you play in band/orchestra in High School? **Yes.**

How many instruments do you play, including this one? **2 - piano and recorder.**

Words that you would use to describe your instrument: **Majestic, mysterious, physical.**

Favorite part about being in an ensemble? **Camaraderie, friendships and beautiful music!**

LUCY HIESTAND Percussion

How long have you played your instrument? **Which one!? 😊 Since before Garner was born.**

Did you play in band/orchestra in High School? **Band!!!!** **Marching and symphonic winds as flute, then percussion.**

How many instruments do you play, including this one? **Non-mallet orchestral percussion, drumset, hand drums, flute, handbells/chimes, and saxophone (poorly).**

Words that you would use to describe your instrument: **Rhythmic texture (percussion).**

Favorite part about being in an ensemble: **Appreciating the gifts of other musicians; blending to a unified goal of being part of a musical experience greater than our solo efforts. I must listen louder than I play!**

APRIL PEARSON
Trumpet

How long have you played your

instrument? **30 years.**

Did you play in band/orchestra in High School? **Band in high school and college (U of MN marching band).**

How many instruments do you play, including this one? **None well enough to play outside my house...**

Words that you would use to describe your instrument: **Attention-getting.**

Favorite part about being in an ensemble: **I like playing in an ensemble because I actually play my instrument. Without that, I might go weeks or months before I take the time to play.**

JOHN RUDBERG
Trumpet

How long have you played your

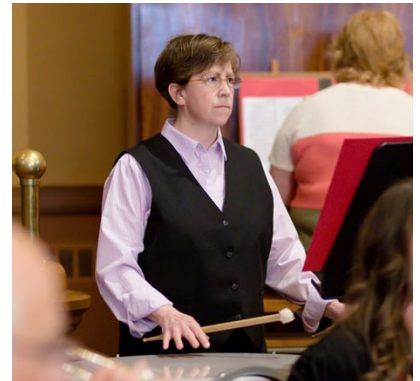
instrument? **I started the trumpet when I was six because my arms were too short to play the trombone. I did not play for many years while working and other responsibilities.**

Did you play in band/orchestra in High School? **Yes, I played in two high school bands and four different bands outside of high school.**

How many instruments do you play, including this one? **3 - Piano, trumpet, and kazoo.**

Words that you would use to describe your instrument: **Challenging after having not played for so many years.**

Favorite part about being in an ensemble: **Learning from so many people and experiences. What fun it is to be able to play an instrument again.**



WOMEN OF CENTRAL NEWS

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING

Mark your Calendar!

DETAINEES, REFUGEES and IMMIGRATION: Serving Our Brothers and Sisters in a Broken World

Saturday, October 12th

At the Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women of our Presbytery, women from congregations across the Presbytery gather to learn about important and timely topics, and to share fellowship and worship with one another.

This fall's gathering should not be missed.

Here are the details:

Speaker:

Mary Hogan, Community Relations Officer, U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

Date:

Saturday, October 12
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location:

First Presbyterian Church
101 6th Avenue NW
Kasson, MN

The agenda begins with a gathering time, followed by the speaker, lunch, a short business meeting and a shared worship service. It is possible to attend part of the event, if that is what can work for your calendar.

Please early register for the event by contacting Sue Hoffman at syhoffman123@comcast.net. We will plan a carpool from Central to Kasson. We will receive registration forms for the event in early September and will post on the bulletin board at Central, but will follow up with you if you early register.

NETWORKING GROUP

This informal group is for all women. We talk, share stories and food. No formal agenda, just good fellowship and fun. This month we are going to Dark Horse on Thursday, September 12th.

Please RSVP if you can attend. You can do so on Central's website at www.centralforgood.org/women, Central's Facebook page where

events are posted, or by contacting coordinator Sue Hoffman at syhoffman123@comcast.net. You can meet at church at 5:15 p.m. to walk or car pool to the restaurant, or meet us directly at the restaurant at 5:30 p.m.

Upcoming events:



Wed., Sept 12
Dark Horse
250 East 7th Street,
St. Paul, MN



Thurs, Oct 10
Pajarito
605 7th Street West
St. Paul, MN



Tues, Nov. 12
Birch's Lowertown
289 5th St East
St Paul, MN

Come join the fun!



Women's Networking Group gathered at Parlour in Saint Paul for the August event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee of Session will meet on Monday, September 9th at 10:30 a.m. in the 3rd floor meeting lounge.

DORCAS CIRCLE

Dorcas Circle will meet Thursday, September 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Friendship Room. Bring your own lunch. Coffee and dessert will be served. We start a new series of study materials. Hope to see you then.

BOOK GROUP

Book group will meet Tuesdays, September 10 and 24 at 10:30 a.m. in the Friendship Room. Come with suggestions for future reads.

OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER

It is that time again when we invite you to join us for our next volunteer event serving lunch to those in need

at Mary Hall on Saturday, September 14 from 11:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Mary Hall is part of Catholic Charities and is located at 438 Dorothy Day Place, St. Paul, MN 55102. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old and should wear appropriate closed-toe footwear. We need 8-10 volunteers this day.

Sign up online to volunteer at www.centralforgood.org/volunteer. If you have questions please email directly Sharon Zopfi-Jordan at szj@comcast.net.

4TH SUNDAY KNITTING GROUP

Join us on September 22nd after worship! We can teach you how to knit and make small prayer squares! We meet in the Oval Room after gathering in the Friendship Room for a quick cup of coffee. If you have questions please email or call Maggie Gordon at margaretagordon@gmail.com or call 651-470-8636.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Marjorie Elliott..... 9/1
 Pat Snitker..... 9/4
 Trygve Pearce..... 9/5
 Linda Peterson..... 9/7
 Terry Henry..... 9/12
 Gifty Amarteifio..... 9/14
 David Winkworth..... 9/14
 Simon Jones..... 9/15
 Melinda Suzuki..... 9/15
 Karen Hanscom..... 9/18
 Elizabeth Suhfor..... 9/20
 Craig Foss..... 9/21

Sean Kelly-Kennedy..... 9/23
 Todd Mikish..... 9/24
 Jane Gulsvig..... 9/27
 Phyllis Brashler..... 9/29
 Mark Flinner..... 9/29

If we missed your name, please send us a note to office@cpkstpaul.org so that we can correct our records.

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*Join us Sunday, September 8 after worship
for a service fair which will promote many
diverse opportunities to volunteer at
Central and in our community. (Of course,
there will be games and treats, too!)
So, please join us!*