

# CENTRAL CONNECTION

## Upcoming Events

January 8-  
7pm - Ladies' Bible Study  
@ Parsonage

January 9  
Whirlwind Clergy Lunch in  
WF

January 11  
7pm - Immerse Study @  
Parsonage

January 14  
10am - Sunday school  
-Immerse Study  
11am - Worship

## UPCOMING

January 17 - Ecumenical  
Youth Group starts up at  
FUMC

**Don't forget to check out  
our website or Facebook  
page to find worship  
services, newsletters and  
more!**



This year is starting off with a bang. Things are in full swing and moving quickly. We have a number of opportunities to learn, grow and serve starting up in the next two weeks and I hope you will take advantage of them.

**IMMERSE Study** - This is a Bible study that will take us through the entire Bible this year. The Immerse Bible is written without verse and chapter numbers or headings so it reads like a novel. It's in the New Living Translation, so it is more "everyday language" than say the King James Version. Each day's reading is 5-7 pages long. Groups will meet Sunday morning and Thursday nights to discuss the week's reading.

**First Responders' Breakfast** - This Saturday we will cook breakfast and welcome our area first responders and their families. Come and be part of this ministry to those who serve selflessly to keep us safe! Prep starts at 7am; event starts at 8am.

**Ecumenical Youth Group** - January 17th is the start date for youth activities. This semester Wednesday night activities will be held at FUMC to coordinate with children's activities. Look for sign ups to sponsor meals, activities and help by being a presence on Wednesday evenings coming soon!

Pray for these opportunities and for other ministries that are getting started at this point in the year.

Pastor Lory

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Our Nation and World, Tammy Brockman, Nancy Atkison, Madison Wardell, Charlotte Reagan, Brylie, Bob Miller, CASA Kids, Tony Barker, Vivian Contareas, Sharon Brown, Dieter Stratemann, Shirley Miller, Jerry Don Maness, Ken Backus, Reese Handley, Christy Hoff, Chad Brown, Joe Kalal, Morgan Heck, Patty Dunn, Charlotte Reed, Carolyn Tapley, Pam Kessler, Paula Whitfield, Steve McCoulaugh, Isabell Family, Johnny Martin, Amy Lovett, Denise Chamberlain, Lynn Hanson, Molly Major, Jack and Shirley Roberts, Ben Hill, Margaret Centofanti, Carsen Darnell, Nicole Rahmer, Dean Prine, Connie O'Neill, Chris Tettleton, Brenda Sutton, David Howard, Abel Jesus Hernandez. Kal Luke, Barbara Saunders, Nicole Saunders, Sandy Major, Patrick Major, Crystal Shelton

Family of: Jack Uselton, Weldon Parr, Josh Holcomb, Lamar Baer

**Worship This Week:**

Elders: Lierly  
Deacons: Saunders  
Communion: Brown/Gaydon  
Sermon Text: Mark 1:4-11  
Sun School: Immerse Wk 2

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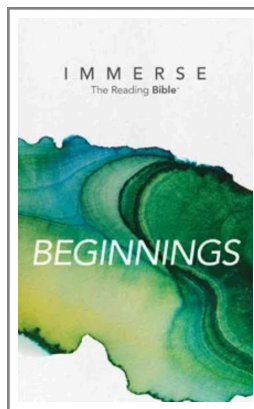


We start set up and cooking about 7am and welcome our local first responders and their families for breakfast at 8am.

**New Bible Study Opportunity:**

Sunday Morning at 10am  
(church)

Thursday Night at 7pm  
(Parsonage)



Both sessions will be the same each week, so pick which time works best for you. If you need a copy of the Immerse Bible, let me know. Audio and other resources can be found at:  
<https://www.immersebible.com/beginnings/>

**Sanctuary HVAC Update**

The 30+ year old HVAC unit in the sanctuary has gotten to the point that replacement is the only viable option. We should be back in the sanctuary with a NEW working HVAC system in the next two weeks. If you would like to contribute above and beyond to help cover some of the expenses we will have with this replacement (we're still waiting to hear from insurance on how much they will cover, but we will have some expenses out of pocket), it would be much appreciated!