

CENTRAL CONNECTION

Upcoming Events

February 26
7pm - Ladies' Bible Study

February 28
6pm - Youth Group

February 29
7pm - Immerse Study @
Parsonage

March 1
9am - Ladies Coffee

March 3
10am - Sunday school
-Immerse Study
11am - Worship

UPCOMING

March 13 -
7pm Board Meeting

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



I don't slow down very well...until life (and my body) forces me to. That's why sabbaticals are such a wonderful and SCARY gift. Wonderful because it is time set aside to intentionally rest and renew, to relax and reconnect with self and God. Scary because what the heck do I do for three months if I'm not writing sermons and leading worship and teaching Bible studies?!?!

That means I'm planning now and doing some things to prepare myself. One of those things is spending time on the porch every day reading. It may be 15 minutes or it may be two hours. But the idea is to be still, so something that is not "work" and just simply be present in the moment.

It has taken some practice. I have to have my drinks set up (tea or Diet Dr Pepper AND water), hat to keep my hair in check and the sun out of my eyes, sunglasses or readers depending on whether I'm wearing my contacts, sunscreen....all the things. Then, I can settle in for a bit.

What is it about slowing down that is so hard for us? Why is it so hard to just be present in the world? I wish I had a good answer.

I have a lengthy book list (40ish) of both spiritual/work things and mostly novels to read during my three months of renewal. I have a list of movies to watch. But I tend to stay with the same genres and authors. If you have great reads or great flicks you think I should check out, let me know. I'm always up for suggestions!

Pastor Lory

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Nation & World, Tammy Brockman, Nancy Atkison, Madison Wardell, Charlotte Reagan, Brylie, Bob Miller, CASA Kids, Tony Barker, Vivian Contareas, Sharon Brown, Dieter Stratemann, Shirley Miller, Ken Backus, Reese Handley, Christy Hoff, Chad Brown, Joe Kalal, Morgan Heck, Charlotte Reed, Carolyn Tapley, Pam Kessler, Paula Whitfield, Steve McCoulaugh, Johnny Martin, Denise Chamberlain, Lynn Hanson, Molly Major, Jack & Shirley Roberts, Ben Hill, Margaret Centofanti, Nicole Rahmer, Dean Prine, Connie O'Neill, Chris Tettleton, Brenda Sutton, David Howard, Kal Luke, Barbara Saunders, Nicole Saunders, Sandy Major, Patrick Major, Crystal Shelton, Yvonne Mesler, Raenell Nunneley, LaQuita Hewitt, Scott Baker, Steve, Bruce Major, Hubbell Kabisch, Christy Mesler, Jennifer Hallack, Bryan Booth

Family of: Shirley Keck, Fred Castle, Carolyn Crenshaw

Worship This Week:

Elders: Walker
Deacons: Fitts, Prine
Communion: Kabisch
Sermon Text: John 2:13-22
Sun School: Immerse Wk 1

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Current Sign Up Sheets

1. **Lawn Care** - a few months are still open
2. **Wednesday Youth Meals** - prepare a meal for 20 students at the ecumenical youth program hosted at FUMC. Serve the meal at 6-6:30pm and clean up the serving area after.
3. **Wednesday Youth Helper** - One adult each week to help Pastor Lory with the older kids (JH/HS) during the teaching time at ecumenical youth hosted at FUMC. 6-7:30pm



**All ladies are
welcome to join us!**

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS

Our Central devotional booklets are available on the table in the sanctuary and the foyer. Pick up a copy and use them as a guide for your reflections during Lent. Thank you to all who contributed by writing a short