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**Intro to Scriptures Flash Drive**  
Hello all,

***This is Heather in the Mission Center office. I am trying to track down the Flash Drives for the Temple School Class Introduction to Scriptures. If you have one you are no longer using, could you please get it back to the MC Office? We have people waiting for these in order to set up more classes. If you have one and are using it, please contact me at: heather@cofchristmi.org or the office at 517-541-2575.***

Thanks, Heather

Please mail to:  
223 S. Washington St.  
Charlotte MI 48813

## Michigan Mission Center

### MISSION CENTER ACTIVITIES

To schedule a mission center activity, contact Dianna Vanderkarr at [dianna@cofchristmi.org](mailto:dianna@cofchristmi.org)

### MISSION CENTER INFORMATION

For more detailed information regarding Mission Center news and activities, please go to the website:

[www.cofchristmi.org](http://www.cofchristmi.org)

Due to space restrictions, we cannot include all necessary information in this bulletin.

## Michigan Mission Center information

Website: [www.cofchristmi.org](http://www.cofchristmi.org)

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## Community of Christ

### Michigan Mission Center

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS for the week of September 30, 2016

Newly added items are listed in **bold italics**. This information is emailed weekly to all pastors, congregation communication liaisons and anyone who chooses to subscribe. If you have questions, call the Mission Center office at 888-853-2339.

#### MICHIGAN MISSION CENTER NEWS

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##### **Mission Center Fall Conference Preparation & Dialogue:**

Ask questions and engage in dialogue about the proposed mission center budget, officer appointments, and resolutions from congregations.

Join us from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, October 8 at Sanford Campground.

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##### **Journey House Senior High Weekend**

Interested in living in East Lansing while attending school? Looking for a fun weekend away? If so, we welcome you at Journey House Campus Ministries to see what it's like to be a college student, to live in East Lansing, and get involved in a campus ministry program.

Come join us as we explore MSU and Journey House, play games, and share experiences October 21-23. Please email [johousecmc@gmail.com](mailto:johousecmc@gmail.com) for the event release form and to secure your spot during Senior High Weekend. Feel free to call us at (517) 337-1845 with any questions, comments, or concerns.

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, donating supplies, or providing a meal during the Senior High Weekend please contact resident manager and campus minister, Nicole Keverne at the phone or email listed above.

For more information and permission slips go to:  
[cofchristmi.org/?event=journey-house-senior-high-weekend&event\\_date=2016-10-21](http://cofchristmi.org/?event=journey-house-senior-high-weekend&event_date=2016-10-21)

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##### **August 31, 2016 Campground Sales Update**

Q: What is the latest sales update on Camp Manitou?

A: First, the company listing Camp Manitou has added an additional brokerage firm from Chicago to try to generate interest from a broader pool of potential buyers. The summer has brought some renewed interest in Camp Manitou as several parties have expressed some interest in the property. As of this writing, a local church contacted us to get contact information for our realtor. So far, we have not had any offers presented.

Mission Center leadership made inquiry about reducing the listing price. Our Realtor advised that price does not seem to be a barrier at this point; how-

ever, it would be prudent to consider the market impact of a relatively small reduction that would take the listing price just below the \$800,000 threshold. Hence, in late August, the price for Camp Manitou was revised to \$795,000. Hopefully, this action will be an incentive to those considering Camp Manitou.

Q: What is the latest sales update on The Woodlands?

A: Two of the parties that have expressed interest in the Woodlands remain interested; however, they are not ready to make an offer. For anyone to come up with nearly \$1.5-million is a daunting task. If approvals need to be received from a large group, they would encounter some of the delays that we would have to address. It is positive that interest remains from those parties. Our realtor reported one additional contact and another broker has shown the property to a party who had made an offer on another parcel in the area, but was outbid; so, he now wanted to look at The Woodlands.

When Mission Center leadership made inquiry about reducing the listing price, our Realtor advised that price does not seem to be a barrier at this point. Since The Woodlands appears to be operating without any significant deficits, interest remains from potential buyers, and price is not seen as a barrier, the decision was made to leave the listing price for The Woodlands at \$1,495,000. As we continually monitor interest and activity of potential buyers, the sales team will continue to monitor pricing as it may impact our listing.

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#### **Introduction to Scripture Class - Boyne City**

The Temple School course "Introduction to Scripture" (TS-SS400), will be held at the Boyne City congregation at the following dates/times.

Tuesdays, Sept. 27 & Tuesdays Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 6:30-8:30 pm

Please contact Eleanor West at: [ellielu57@gmail.com](mailto:ellielu57@gmail.com) to register and with any questions.

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#### **2017 Preliminary MC Budget Proposal & Narrative**

Mission Center Council members received packets with 2017 Preliminary Budget Information on Saturday, July 23. Pastors and CFOs received this information by e-mail on Monday, July 25. The preliminary budget proposal, budget narrative, and additional financial reports and information can be found on the Financial Reports page online.

Congregation commitments for support of 2017 budgets (mission center operating budget, campground operating budgets, Journey House Campus Ministry Center, and other funds) should be sent to Jack Tigner by September 15, 2016.

Budget Information: <http://cofchristmi.org/our-mission/mission-funding/financial-reports/>

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#### **Introduction to Priesthood Ministry - Kalamazoo**

The Temple School course "Introduction to Priesthood Ministry", will be held at the Kalamazoo congregation at the following dates/times.

Tuesdays in October: 18 and 25 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Tuesdays in November: 1, 8, and 15 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Please notify Ellie Heacock at ([elehea@gmail.com](mailto:elehea@gmail.com)) ASAP to enroll in the class.

Material costs are: \$29.95 plus shipping for the spiral bound book – or – \$12.95 for the .PDF version of the book, that individuals can order and download from Herald House at the following URL: [www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp](http://www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp)

It is not only one of the preparation courses for new priesthood, but is also a

course for all disciples to take.

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#### **Ministry of the Disciple - Galien**

Ministry of the Disciple will be held at the Galien congregation on the following dates and times:

Friday, October 14, 7-9 pm \* Saturday, October 15, 9am-5pm

Friday, October 21, 7-9 pm \* Saturday, October 22, 9am-5pm

Please contact Sherry Jagger at [sjagger@hotmail.com](mailto:sjagger@hotmail.com) or 219-326-7894 to let her know if you're planning to attend she will pick up the books at World conference to save on shipping. Otherwise you'll be responsible for getting your own.

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#### **Superannuation Services at Bristolwood and St. Johns:**

- October 9th 2016, we will be honoring the special ministry that Ray and Arlene have shared for over 35 years in the Community of Christ. A special service of celebration will be held at 11:00am at the Tawas City Congregation with a potluck to follow. Guest ministry will be given by Mark and Andrea Johnson (Son in Law and Daughter).

Please mark your calendars to attend and support them on this new journey ahead!

- St. Johns—Appreciation Service for Virginia Wickwire

St. Johns Congregation is going to be having an Appreciation Service on October 30, for Virginia. We want to honor her almost 20 years as Pastor. We will be celebrating her service during the 11:00 hour, followed by a potluck dinner.

RSVP: Jack or Leslie Benac at [benacj@yahoo.com](mailto:benacj@yahoo.com) or [lbenac@yahoo.com](mailto:lbenac@yahoo.com)

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#### **CofChrist Lessons Will Continue**

**Community of Christ lessons for children, youth, and adults will continue with Year A beginning November 27, 2016. The first 14 lessons will be available for download by the end of October. Additional lessons will be posted quarterly.**

**When accessing the lessons, users will find a brief form to provide useful information, and the opportunity for generosity-based giving directly to Worldwide Mission Tithes. A donation of \$20 USD per quarter, or \$80 USD per year, for each age is suggested.**

**Once you access the lessons, you can print the pdf files directly, or download the lessons and save to your personal computer to print as needed. The lessons for all ages follow the same Gospel Lectionary text from Worship Resources and Sermon & Class Helps, inviting further family and small-group conversation and study.**

**Your generosity is an important investment in lifelong disciple formation, and helps preserve and expand teaching and learning tools for the worldwide church.**

[www.cofchrist.org/lessons-and-ideas](http://www.cofchrist.org/lessons-and-ideas)

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#### **Great Game Night Saturday**

**This Saturday, October 1, 6:30 – 9:30: Food and games of all sizes and shapes. This is a Journey House fund raiser to be held at the Capital Community of Christ, 1514 W. Miller Rd., Lansing, MI. For Spartan fans, we will have the MSU game on a big screen. Come and bring your friends for an evening of fun, food, and fantastic people!**