



## Easter Celebration

Sunrise Service

(Leaving church—6:30 a.m.)

Celebrate the Resurrection

(10:15 a.m.)

Join the special celebration of baptisms, dedications and special music this Easter Sunday.

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Your Gifts to  
Easter Special Offering  
Change Lives

Easter Special Offering:  
to strengthen congregational life for mission

 Disciples Mission Fund  
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

### Special Easter Offering This Sunday

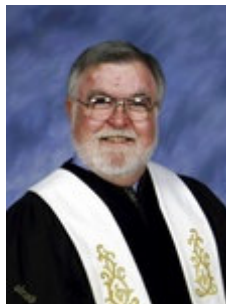
This Sunday, Central will be taking its Easter Special Offering to help continue the effort of strengthening congregational life for mission around the world. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to the Disciple Special Offering.

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## According to John . . . .

Easter is here! The air is filled with anticipation, excitement and joy.

Plan to attend the **Prayer Vigil** on Saturday any time from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. in the Small Chapel by the offices. Saturday there will be an **Easter Egg Hunt** at the Chambers home at 10:00 a.m. (3818 S. Garland). The Youth will gather at 8:30 a.m. at the church, travel by van to the Chambers and hide the eggs. At 11:30 a.m. I will meet at the church (my office) for 30 minutes with **those being baptized**. The **Saturday Evening Service**



in the Chapel at 5:30 will have a resurrection theme. On Easter Sunday we will meet at the church at 6:30 a.m. and travel by van and caravan to the Clarks' (1706 N. Wheatridge) for an **Easter Sunrise Service**. The Youth attending, all the CYF Sunday School Class and all others who desire, will then go to **IHOP for breakfast**. Our grand **Celebration of Resurrection will occur at 10:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary** with baptisms, baby dedications and special music. Wow! What a wonderful time.

*The church office will be open on Good Friday in preparation for all the Easter activities but will be closed on Holy Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.*

### Sab·bat·i·cal / [suh-bat-i-kuhl]

—adjective

1. of or pertaining or appropriate to the Sabbath.
2. (*lowercase*) of or pertaining to a sabbatical year.
3. (*lowercase*) bringing a period of rest.

—noun

1. (*lowercase*) SABBATICAL YEAR.
2. (*lowercase*) any extended period of leave from one's customary work, esp. for rest, to acquire new skills or training, etc.  
sabbatical. Dictionary.com. *Dictionary.com Unabridged (v 1.1)*. Random House, Inc. <http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/sabbatical> (accessed: April 04, 2007).

My sabbatical begins on Monday, April 9, and concludes on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. During that time I will seek rest, pursue certain hobbies, read, worship with other churches and travel in Europe.

Following the suggestion of the Lilly Foundation, I will be doing those things that “make my heart sing”. In July, I will return to regular duties, rested, renewed and full of energy.

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**SUNDAY'S STATISTICS**

**April 1, 2007**

Sanctuary Worship.....355  
Saturday Evening Worship.....13

**VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, April 8, Brian Meyer**

**REPORTED ILL**

**Bass:** Bessie Polzer, Helen Kendall  
**Dismissed:** Wilita Larrison, Bobbye Buck, Gloria Zieske, Jim Wright

**Sunday School Class Schedule  
To Serve WWNF**

April 11—Genesis Class  
April 18—Bible Study Class  
April 25—Sooner Class

**There will be no 8:00 a.m. worship service  
this Sunday, April 8.  
The Church Office will be closed, Monday,  
April 9.**

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# Church Calendar

**Sunday, April 8**

No Chapel Worship  
7:00—Sunrise Service @ Jerry Clark's Home  
9:00—Church School  
10:15—Sanctuary Worship  
2:30—CCC Worship Service on Pegasys

**Monday, April 9**

Church Office Closed  
No Noon Prayer Service  
7:00—Property Department Meeting

**Tuesday, April 10**

11:45—Brown Bag Bible Study  
4:30—Kids Central Board Meeting  
7:00—Agape Meeting  
7:00—Quilt Central

**Wednesday, April 11**

10:00—CWF Group Meetings  
1:30—CWF Group Meetings  
4:30—CCC Worship Service on Pegasys  
4:30—JYF/Youth Choir  
5:00—Children's Handbells  
5:15—Caregivers Too  
5:15—WWNF Meal  
6:00—WWNF Fellowship  
6:30—WWNF Classes  
6:30—JYF/CCF/Youth Meet  
6:30—"The Shop" Meeting  
6:30—Chancel Choir Practice  
7:30—Chancel Handbell Practice

**Saturday, April 14**

5:30—Saturday Evening Worship Service

**SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2007**

**Sunrise Service.....7:00 a.m.**  
**NO Chapel Worship**  
**Church School.....9:00 a.m.**  
**Sanctuary Worship.....10:15 a.m.**  
**Sermon....."The Music of Resurrection".....Rev. John McLemore**  
**Scripture.....John 20:1-18**  
**Special Music.....Kristal Bells & Children's Choir**  
**Anthem....."Joy in the Morning".....Chancel Choir**  
**Elders: 10:15—Jerry Blankenship, Mickie Giberson**

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### RECEIVED IN THE MAIL

Dear Parent,

As most of you are aware, Joye Parks was the toddler nursery attendant at Central Christian Church for many years. She attended the early worship service and then cared for our children while we attended the 10:15 worship service.

A memorial fund has been established in Joye's honor following her death last week. After discussion with Joye's family, it has been suggested that a renovation of the toddler room be completed in Joye's memory. This room has needed attention for some time, and this is the perfect opportunity to both assist our church and honor our dear "Miss Joye".

If you would like to contribute, please mark your envelope "Miss Joye Memorial" and leave your contribution in the church office or place it in the offering. Let's do something special to honor this dear lady that helped raise Central's kids.

Kristy Petersen

### DONATIONS NEEDED

Donations are being accepted for the Vietnam Mission Trip. They are in need of vegetable seed packets and also sewing items. Items such as needles, snaps, buttons, and thread would be very much appreciated.

If you would like to make the journey on this mission trip please call Bret Whinery at 237-1635 for more information.

### NEEDED

A clothing rack to hang donated clothing for the Foster Kids "Back-to-School Party".

### IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following individuals are either undergoing cancer/leukemia treatments or have been diagnosed with cancer Rev. John McLemore, Clifford Lewis, Emma Jean Floyd, Betty Cook, Becky Cox, Gene Olbert, Cody Miller, Tim Hopkins, Carson Bandy, Joan Winterringer, Della Huckleberry, Barbara Hunter, Terry Moulton, Marilyn King, Elbert Wheeler, Norma McIntyre, Karen Holloway, Brenda Brown, Mary Simpson and Ray Townley.....Imogene Price recovering from aorta valve replacement and heart bypass surgery.....Mac McWilliams, Randy McWilliams' father, in very ill health.....Sharron Miller, Carolyn McLemore's sister.....Vena Poore has been diagnosed with kidney cancer.....Randy Summers, Mary Beach's son-in-law, recovering from heart surgery.....Gene Brintnall recovering from hip replacement surgery.....Jim Goodness awaiting hernia surgery next week....

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Visitor Reception has been moved to the Loggia immediately following the worship service. Anyone wanting to help out, please call the church office.

### BIBLE STUDY TO BE OFFERED

Are you interested in a comprehensive Bible study? We are looking at starting a new and exciting Bible study that will run in stages of 6 weeks at a time. If you are interested, please call the church office and let us know! You can also tell us what day and time works best for you. We are thinking about Sunday late afternoon, so join us.

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**WWNF**  
**Vietnam Mission Trip**  
**Fundraiser**  
**Next Wednesday**

Join us for dinner next Wednesday, April 11 beginning at 5:15 p.m. for a meal of tacos and taco salad. Centralites will be heading to Vietnam this summer and will be raising funds to make the trip. Please come have a great meal and support Central's missions.



**SPRING BLOOD DRIVE**

A very important part of life is the ability to give something that people need daily—blood. Central will be having its Spring Blood Drive Thursday, April 19 from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. It takes under an hour to give blood and afterward you can enjoy fellowship and a sandwich and dessert. If you have not been contacted and would like to schedule an appointment please call the church office.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Dear Church Friends,

Thank you so much for the baby frame and rose. What an awesome day for my family to dedicate Ella and all of us join the church. What a relief to know my kids will have the opportunity to grow in faith as we did in a great church. Thank you again for everything.

Love and blessings,  
The Shaws



***HAPPY EASTER!!!***  
***HE IS THE REASON***  
***FOR THE SEASON!!!***

**MELISSA DELL**  
**RUNNING FOR PERU**

Central Christian Church member, Melissa Dell, will be running a 56 mile race in June to raise funds for two projects in Peru. The first project will provide funds for the three schools to buy materials (books, dolls, etc) that will celebrate and preserve the region's indigenous cultural heritage. The second project will reinstate a series of workshops sponsored by EMCOP, a women's micro-finance organization, that train Uros women in indigenous crafts. This will help them to preserve their cultural heritage while earning the money necessary to feed and protect their children. The Uros (which means "worm" in the Inca's language) have been the poorest and most discriminated indigenous group in Peru since Inca times, and EMCOP works in particular to empower them.

Melissa is an Economics graduate student at Oxford University (UK), focusing on the long-run impact of Spanish colonialism on economy and governance in Andean Peru. Her research, in particular, points to inequality in access to education and discrimination in the provision of essential state services as key factors in promoting the persistence of poverty.

Check and cash donations (as a lump sum or amount per mile) may be made to Central Christian Church. 100% of funds will go towards the two projects above, and donations can be earmarked for one particular project, if desired.

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### **We Need Your Help**

The CACS committee of Central Christian Church and DHS are co-sponsoring a "Back-to-School Party" for foster children in late July or early August. We are doing this because of the excellent response to our Foster Kids Christmas party - from the church, the foster children and their parents. At this "Back-to-School Party" we plan to give each foster child a new set of school clothes. Although this is a big project, we have a big God helping us and we have shown again and again our church has a big heart.

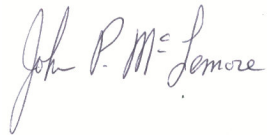
So we are starting early asking people to donate new clothes of any size (preferably with its tags on it), that would be appropriate for children to wear to grade school, junior high or high school. Drop your clothes off at the church office.

*(Continued from According to John.....)*

Don Johnson will be doing all of his regular duties, plus filling in for most of mine. Church leaders are stepping up to assist. During this time the ministry of the laity will be very important. Carolyn will continue to work for part of the time and then will use vacation and take an unpaid leave of absence while we travel abroad together. Special guests will preach from time to time. Our new Youth Minister will also (pending final Board approval) be on site by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please pray for me and for our congregation during this time. May we all be renewed by this experience.

Grace and peace,



Relay for Life Fundraiser

Friday, April 20

Central Christian Church

6:00—8:00 p.m.

BBQ Dinner, Silent Auction

Family Entertainment

Tickets \$8.00

See Nancy Phillips or go to Dexeus Oncology

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## Sunday School Class Challenge!

The World Outreach committee has learned that Church World Service is in desperate need of Baby Kits and School Kits. In response to this need, the World Outreach committee is issuing a challenge to all the adult and youth Sunday School classes to put together as many kits as you can between now and April 22nd. Each kit must be complete in order to be "counted." The class with the most finished kits turned in on April 22nd will be named the winner of the challenge, and will be treated to a special breakfast, served in their very own Sunday School classroom by the members of the World Outreach committee on April 29th. If you are not already a member of one of our Sunday School classes, please join us! Or you may bring donated items to the church office.

### A Baby Kit must have:

- 6 cloth diapers 2 shirts
  - 2 washcloths 2 gowns or sleepers
  - 2 diaper pins 1 sweater or sweatshirt
  - 2 receiving blankets—(one can be a knitted blanket)
- \*\*\*Each kit must also include \$2.00 for processing and shipping.

### A School Kit must have:

- 1 pair blunt scissors
  - 1 pencil sharpener
  - 1 large eraser
  - 1 box of 24 crayons
  - One 30 centimeter (12") ruler
  - 6 new pencils with erasers
  - 12 sheets colored construction paper
  - 1 notebook or pad of ruled paper, 8 1/2" x 11", 140 - 200 sheets of paper (no filler paper)
- \*\*\*Each kit must also include \$2.00 for processing and shipping.

**There will be no Noon Prayer Service,  
Monday, April 9.**

In case of an emergency please call Rev. Joynson any time at the office at 233-1214. If you are unable to reach him at the office, his cell phone number is (580)402-2612, or you can reach him by calling his home 237-4779.



Our congregation is continuing to pray for other churches in our area. This week we have been asked to pray for **Taloga First Christian Church**. Please keep them in your prayers this week.



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## Youth News

We have a new Youth Minister (pending final approval of the Board). He will be here May 1<sup>st</sup>. WOW! More details will follow.

Rev. McLemore is going on sabbatical, so pay close attention to the following Schedule:

### **Saturday--April 8**

Meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. We will go to the Chambers to hide Easter eggs.

### **Easter—April 9**

Meet at the church at 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at the Clarks. We will go to IHOP afterward. NO EVENING YOUTH.

### **Wednesday, April 11**

6:30 p.m. Fun Night in the Youth Room. Bret Whinery and others will sponsor.

### **Sunday, April 15**

5:00 p.m. Work projects at the church. (Move dirt??) Pizza. Gary Hula and Bret Whinery are sponsors.

### **Wednesday, April 18**

6:30 p.m. Fun Night in the Youth Room. Jimmy and Jana Davis are sponsors.

### **Sunday, April 22**

Go Bowling. Sarah Hobbs and others will sponsor.

### **Wednesday, April 25**

Fun Night in the Youth Room.

### **Sunday, April 29**

Ruth and Jacqueline show pictures and talk about IAS. Leslie Ballew and Lori Hunter are sponsors.

Watch for more details. We have the opportunity for a major service project that may alter some of these plans.

PARENTING TIP – Try to keep a careful balance on correction and listening during intense family moments. Try to find out what your child is saying internally so you can help revise that impression if necessary. Always pray for your child.

## **KIDS CORNER**

### **Acolytes – April 8**

Britton Yunker, Connor Angleton  
(Substitute: Katherine Jones)

### **Kids Time – April 8**

**There will be no Kids Time this Sunday.**

### **Rotation Teachers – April 8**

There will be no regular Sunday School for *grades 1-6*. We will have our Easter party in the Multipurpose Room at 9:00 a.m.

MEMORY VERSE CONTEST: The 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> graders are ahead by one right now. Who is going to “win” our contest? Good for everyone of you for memorizing this verse.

CONFESSIONS OF FAITH – Baptism Camp on Saturday was fun for everyone with 8 attending. (Sorry you were sick, Connor.) But everyone (except Chase who was out of town) was there on Sunday to make his or her confession of faith. They include: Connor Angleton, Sam Parsons, Sarah Johnson, Makayla Hinderliter, Elliott Holden, Britton Yunker, Kaylee Petersen, and Brent Tilley. They will all be baptized on Easter Sunday. (Also, Elliott’s mother Carolyn made her confession of faith and will be baptized on Easter Sunday, too!) God bless you for hearing God’s call to becoming members of Central Christian Church. It’s going to be a wonderful time seeing you grow in your Christian faith!

WOW!!!!!!! What a joyous time it was on Palm Sunday with all our confessions of faith and with the celebration of the end of our Preparing the Way campaign. You all did such a good job bringing in the palms! I don’t think I’ve ever seen so many kids waving palms so high! You did a great job singing and bringing in the balloons at the end of the service. We are so lucky

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