



The Varied Ministries of Central Christian

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| Adult Education Programs | Funeral Dinners | Pastoral Support for NW Churches |
| 4RKids | GCIC Parties (for | Pegasys Worship |
| Africa Project -Congo | developmentally disabled) | Peru Mission |
| Africa Project -Zambia | Guild | Phillips University Events |
| Baptism Camp | Halloween Howl | Quilt Central |
| Bell Choirs | Hats and gloves for Kids | Rock-a-thon |
| Blood Drives | Health kits | Saturday Service |
| Boy Scouts —Troup 2 | Help w/errands | Scout Sunday |
| Building Improvements | Helping Families at Christmas | Shoe Project |
| Church Camps & Conferences | Homebound Communion | Small Groups |
| Care Callers | Hope Outreach | Student Kits |
| Caregivers | Horn of Plenty | Sunday School for all ages |
| Charitable Market | Hospital Callers | Support for Tsultrim |
| of Blessings | International Affairs Seminar | T.O.P.S. (hosting) |
| Children's Choirs | Interracial Women's Club | The SHOP group |
| Children's Education Programs | Kids Central | Tri-State (hosting) |
| Children's Sabbath | Krystal Bells | Tuesday Bible Study |
| Chancel Choir | Lay Preacher Training | Use of Building |
| Civitan Dances | Lifelong Learning | Vacation Bible School |
| Corvette Club (hosting) | Meadows Point Meal Delivery | Van pickups |
| Crisis Center Aid | Men's Golf Outings | Vietnam Mission |
| CWF Cookbook | Mixed Company | Weddings |
| Deliver Meals on Wheels | Monday Prayer Service | World Outreach Offerings |
| Disciples 101 | Music Program | Worship Opportunities |
| Disciples Men's Gatherings | Nativity Scene | Wonderful Wednesday |
| Disciples Women (CWF) | New Orleans Mission Trips | Night Fellowship |
| Easter Sunrise Services | New Year's in Rio | Youth Choir |
| Emmaus (hosting) | Nursing Home Ministry | Youth Education Programs |
| Evangelism Project—Pig Roast | Outreach Offerings | Youth Sunday |
| Evangelism Project -Pancake | | |
| Supper | | |
| First Friends | | |
| Food for Kids backpacks | | |

Is Your Passion Listed ?????
In Sunday's sermon we will talk about it.

According to John.....

A Stewardship Meditation

We live in a world that teaches, even demands "Get all you can!" How foreign this is to the method Jesus explained for abundant living. He said, "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back." (Luke 6:38 NRSV).

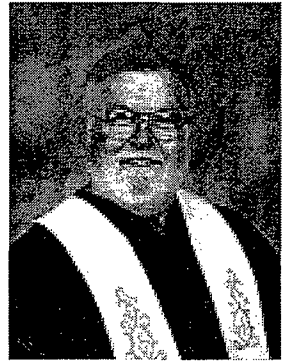
When we examine this promise, notice that Jesus did not identify what we are to give. He simply says, "it." Jesus said this because it doesn't matter whether we give time, counsel, encouragement, money, loyalty, or love, the promise is the same. When we give, God multiplies our gift so that it comes back to us in a greater portion. "Good measure, pressed down, shaken together" refers both to the amount and the quality of it. There is no useless filler in God's return for our generosity and thoughtfulness toward others. "Running over"—we will always receive more than we give and more than we expect.

While God assumes the responsibility of rewarding us for following God's principle of giving, we choose the quality and the amount. "For the measure you give will be the measure you get back " Again, the "measure" refers to whatever you are giving.

The world's system is "Get all you can." God's plan is much more profitable: "Give all you can." With the world's approach you have no promise of succeeding. With God's approach you have the irrevocable, unfailing promise of an abundant return.

Let us pray, *Dear Generous God. Help us to examine our priorities, particularly as they relate to the resources you have given to us. We seek to be faithful stewards and loving disciples. May our giving reflect our love and may our love reflect our giving. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

Grace and peace,



***Consecration Sunday
for our 2008 Estimates of
Giving will be March 2nd***

In case of an emergency please call Rev. McLemore any time at the office at 233-1214. If you are unable to reach him at the office, his cell phone number is (580)402-2522, or you can reach him by calling his home 233-4214.

SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

February 17, 2008

Chapel Service.....	22
Sanctuary Worship.....	159
Saturday Evening Worship.....	5

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

February 24, Bret Whinery
 March 2, Mack Allison
 March 9, Brian Meyer

Current Lectionary

February 24, 2008

Third Sunday in Lent

Readings:

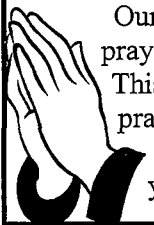
Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

Color: Violet



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

Class To Serve WWNF

Feb 27- Sooners Class

Classes, would you please jot down the week you serve and place in Sally's box in the office?
 Thanks!

WWNF MENU

WEDNESDAY, February 27

Spaghetti, salad, bread, and dessert

Meadows Point Delivery

Sooners Class

February 26-29

Diaconate Schedule

February 24—Team 2

March 2—Team 2

March 9—Team 3

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SUNDAY, February 24, 2008

Chapel Worship.....	8:00 a.m.
Church School.....	9:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship.....	10:15 a.m.
Sermon..... "The Generosity of Your Sharing".....	Rev. John McLemore
Scripture.....	2 Corinthians 9:1-15
Special Music.....	Chancel Choir
Special Music.....	Matthew Johnson

Elders: 8:00- Bea Simpson, 10:15- Sherry Shaw, Karen Foster

Diaconate Teams

Team 2

Lana Ellis
Trigg Snyder
Sue Dell
Lorene Harnish
Steve Castle
Jimmy Davis
Bill Brant
Fred Overstreet
LaDonna Groves
Roger Groves
Beth Tefft
Roy Smith
Kathy Eck
Jane Adams
Carolyn Kurz
Dee Snyder

Team 3

Heath Wallace
Melissa Hula
Martha O'Banion
Bob Parks
Rob Schlecht
Mike O'Banion
Kacy Wallace
Tom Hryhorchuk
John Peterson
Laurie Bushman
Wilson Buvinger
Mary Suzan Chambers
LaVena Hardin
Van Schuermann
Natalie Schuermann

Easter Lilies



Now is the time to order your Easter Lilies! Order slips will be in the bulletin on Feb. 24, Mar. 2 & Mar. 9. The Lilies will only be in the sanctuary ON EASTER and then can be taken home or donated to our "shut ins". The cost is \$15. Please note whether you plan to take your lily home or leave it for the shut ins.

Can You Fill a Need?

Garfield County Interlocal Cooperative is in need. If you can donate any of the items listed, please take it to the church office. Items needed are:

- No. 2 Pencils
- Headphones (does not have to be expensive ones)
- Legos – Large or small, with or without people
- Printer Cartridges - HP 20 and/or 21
- Computer software games (Compatible with Windows 98 or XP computers)
- 1 Small Table (3' x 4' or 4' x 5')

EASTER HELP NEEDED



The children's department will need empty Easter eggs (preferably the larger size) for the Easter Egg hunt this year. Please bring them to Carolyn's office. Also, we will need candy for the eggs. Please bring bags of individually-wrapped candy to Carolyn's office. Donations will be accepted until March 12th. Thanks for all your support of this fun event we have each year for our children!

Centour Luncheon This Sunday

There will be a Centour Luncheon following the 10:15 church service on Feb. 24. The menu is: Cranberry chicken, wild rice, raspberry-apple sauce jello salad, hot rolls and lemon cake.

Peggy Goodrich will have a short program about the Taste of Home magazine and cooking school.

Cost is still \$4.00 for an excellent meal. Please plan to attend.

Lifelong Learning Institute

- For adults 55 and over...
- Educational classes in a intellectual and social setting
- Tuesdays and Thursdays starting Feb 19.

Come meet some new friends and have fun while you learn. Relax, no stress, homework or tests! The best way to keep your mind working is to stimulate and use it.

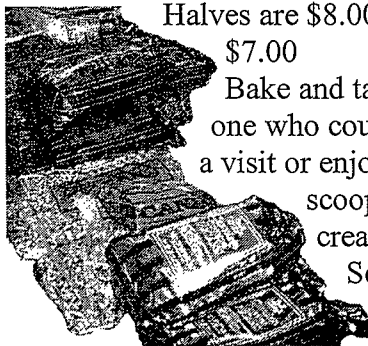
Pecans Are Still Available!

Pecans are available in the church office

Halves are \$8.00 Pieces are \$7.00

Bake and take to someone who could use a visit or enjoy them on a scoop of ice cream.

See Shirley with your check.



Sunday, February 24

- 8:00—Chapel Worship
- 9:00—Church School
- 10:15—Sanctuary Worship
- 11:30—Centours Luncheon
- 2:30—CCC Worship Service on Pegasy
- 4:00—Chi Rho
- 5:00—Snack Supper
- 5:30—CYF

Monday, February 25

- 12:00—Noon Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, February 26

- Life Long Learning
- 12:00—Noon Brown Bag Bible Study
- 7:00—Quilter's Guild

Wednesday, February 27

- 5:15—Meal
- 6:00—Chapel Service
- 6:00—JYF Choir (grades 3 – 6)
- 6:30—JYF Bells (grades 3 – 6)
- 6:30—Adult Classes
- 6:30—Youth Group (grades 7 – 12)
- 6:30—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00—Christian Children's Fellowship
- 7:00—Junior Youth Fellowship (grades 3 – 6)
- 7:30—Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 28

- 7:00am—Lenten Devotions/Breakfast
- Life Long Learning

Saturday, March 1

- 5:30—Saturday Evening Worship Service

Thank You

Thanks to those who helped celebrate our 65th Anniversary Feb. 3rd, with wishes, cards and attending our reception. Marion & Delcea Batterman.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

(compiled 2/20/2008)

Please remember the following people as they deal with chronic illness: Christine Brakebill, Brenda Brown, Ed Brown, Brenda Chappell, Bernice Crandall, Kim Green, Bradley Gilbert, Cindy Gilbreath, Paula Hay, Joan Hull, Tammy Johnson, Clifford Lewis, Ashlyn Maphet (granddaughter of Ron & Pat Maphet), Shannon Mason, Rev. John McLemore, Jeralee McNeal, Jaymie Morely, Gene Olbert, Betty Olmstead, David Ray (grandson of Duane and Olive Traylor), Arvella Riesen (friend of Lana Ellis), Lynn Roberts, Emily Rhodes, Jessica Steffen (granddaughter of Denny & Peg Krick), Madilyn Vose, Elbert Wheeler, Joan Winterringier .

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Janet Cox, home recovering from surgery
Thom Bushman's cousin, Gail, passed away. Her services will be Saturday in Phoenix.
Thom Bushman's father, Bill, will be having stent surgery.
John Hartz, Gene Heitfeld's uncle, who is seriously ill
The family of Alice Hicks. Her services will be Saturday.
Ben Lentz is being deployed to Iraq in April
Pat Maphet, as she prepares to care for Ron at home
Jack Massey, (Gretchen Parsons Massey's husband) preparing for surgery on February 26th
Cody Miller (Carolyn McLemore's uncle) recently diagnosed with lung cancer
Betty Moore, recovering from surgery & Jack Moore, recovering from a stay at the V.A.
Fred Overstreet, recovering from shoulder surgery
Alex Peckham, Sam & Sandra Justice's 2 1/2 year old grandson, in a body cast
Katie Perkins (granddaughter of Ginger Hicks, great-granddaughter of Helen Chishum)
Duane Simpson, undergoing cancer treatments
Judie Stocks, recovering at home after a stay in the hospital
Vern Thornburgh, recovering at home from a fall
The family of Gloria Zieske. Her services will be Saturday.

Saint Mary's

Ron Maphet 586

Arlene Henneke (Terry's mother) 524

Velma Poore 324

Genie Brintnall ICU 353

Judie Heller ICU 354

Bass

Chuck Bowlan 226

Skilled Nursing

Maxine Bassett Golden Oaks

It's a Girl!

Taylor Addison Dowers

Born February 5th

Parents are Erron & Tina
Dowers of The Colony, TX
Grandparents
are Monty &
Karen Moore



It's a Girl!

Edna Hopping
is the proud grandmother to
Jocelyn Taylor Matousek
Born February 6th
5 lb 10 oz 19 inches
Parents are Dr. James &
Sarah Matousek

Invitation to the Old Testament

We are beginning an exciting 8 to 10 week video-based overview of the Old Testament. It is a new series from the well-known Disciple Bible studies. This study approaches the Hebrew Scriptures by inviting participants to hear about God and God's calling of the people of Israel through the many voices of the biblical text – narrative, poem, history and prophetic utterance, all of which arose out of a particular historical, social and cultural setting. Relevant archeological findings will enliven and inform us in this study. This study will help understand the story of God's covenantal relationship with Israel. And in turn, it will better equip you for your work of ministry.

During this study:

- The Bible will be the primary text
- There will be daily scripture reading on the part of the participant
- There will be weekly meetings based on small group discussion (not lectures)
- There is a video component making available the insights of biblical scholars

Each class will last 60 minutes. The class will meet on Tuesdays at noon and if warranted, we will meet at another day and time when people working during the day could attend. This curriculum could also be used in a home-based small group setting.

A no-obligation orientation meeting will be held Tuesday, February, 26th at 12 noon. If you are interested but cannot attend this meeting, call the church office and we will arrange another orientation meeting time.

Note of Sympathy

Rev. Margaret Wickstrom died early Friday morning, February 15. She and her husband Wick served Disciples churches across Oklahoma and Margaret served as regional moderator. She was Lewis Corporon's sister and was in Central Christian Church on a number of occasions.

Memorial services will be held at 1:30 pm on Friday, March 14 at Southern Hills Christian Church, Edmond.

Messages of sympathy may be sent to Margaret's daughter Peggy at 12601 N. Pennsylvania #319, Oklahoma City, OK 73120.

Volunteers Needed!

Central Christian Church is always in need of volunteers to support the mission and ministry of this wonderful community of faith. Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

Caregivers (calling on the homebound), Hospital Callers (making calls in the hospitals), Nursing Home Worship Helpers, Van Drivers, People to transport members to Doctors appointments, Office help (answering the phone when the secretaries have other involvements, helping with mailings, tracking attendance, etc.), Care Callers (making daily calls to shut-ins) and so many others.

If you would like to be put on the Volunteers List for any of these ministries, please contact Shirley Hall at 233-1214.

KIDS CORNER

ACOLYTES- Feb. 24
Makayla Hinderliter, Caitlyn Castle
(Substitute: Casey Easter)

NEW MEMORY VERSE – Our new memory verse is about Paul on the road to Damascus.
“But Barnabas declared to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord Jesus who spoke to him and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus.” Acts 9:27

UPCOMING DATES

- THIS IS A CHANGE – *Baptism camp has been changed to 2/29-3/1 instead of the March date. Info to come soon. Don't forget to call me and let me know that you want to be baptized and are going to Baptism Camp. We need to talk!*
- YET ANOTHER CHANGE – The 3/1 trip to the Firefighters' Museum will be re-scheduled because of the change in baptism camp.
- *We will be going to Burgundy Place again on March 2nd. Meet at the church at 2:15. We'll be back by 3:30. Let's see if we can get 16 kids this time!!!! That would be awesome!*

TEACHER – Feb. 24
Carolyn McLemore

KIDS TIME STAFF FEB. 24
Sue, Stephanie, Kaylee, Sarah, Conner
(Substitute –Aria)

Coffee Stains

Thank you to all who helped with the Rock a Thon. The youth managed to raise, with your support, more than \$700. Great job everybody. If you would like to buy a Rock a Thon t-shirt you may purchase one for \$10. This will help us make just a little more money to send to Week of Compassion. We are looking for Sunday school teachers for both Chi Rho and CYF. Anyone interested in volunteering please don't hesitate to call.
Peace, JW.

GODSPELL Cast:

Jesus Mark Johnson
John/Judas Matthew Johnson

Austin Hula
Aria Justice
Michael Johnson
Rachel Meyer
Brenna Bushman
Katie Bushman
Katherine Jones
Ivey Dyson
Macy Hula

Instrumentalists: Jameson Davis,
Jance Davis, Zach Jones