



Kids Central



Central Christian Church has been touching the lives of young families in Enid through Kids Central for over nine years. A few months ago I (John McLemore) challenged the congregation to embrace and prioritize our ministry to children and youth, saying, “These are the areas where we can have the greatest impact as a faith community. The ministries we provide for children and youth will provide an immeasurable influence on this and future generations”. Jim Cox, Kids Central Board member and Elder of our congregation, challenged our Board last November to consider Kids Central as an official ministry of our church. He asked the Board to find ways of supporting Kids Central with volunteers and dollars.

Since that time volunteers, under the direction of Jeanette and Gene Heitfeld, have painted the hall in the education wing. Volunteers, under the direction of Cheryl Swanson, have painted two beautiful murals that depict children with Jesus. The entire congregation and Kids Central are the beneficiaries of these actions. In our recently passed budget for 2008, Kids Central is a line item with \$6,000. These are wonderful beginning steps. We need to do a lot more.

Under the direction of Pat Lentz new programs have been established. For the fall of 2008, Kids Central will be offering a full-day Pre-Kindergarten (4 year old) program. The change to this program was prompted by many things, the most significant one being that Kids Central was able to hire a preschool teacher with a degree and experience — Ms. Kambri. The Pre-Kindergarten program will be limited to 15 children. Ms. Kambri is structuring a program that will meet the developmental needs of four and five year olds in many areas, including reading and math readiness activities. The program will run from 8:30 to 3:00 Monday through Friday. Children will still receive breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack each day as part of the daily curriculum. This is an expansion of our current program offerings.



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Kids Central is governed by its' own Board. The President is Fred Overstreet. Secretary/Fundraising Chair is Kandi Nelson. Treasurer is Laura Lang. Kids Central Board Members who are also Central Christian members: Fred Overstreet, Brian Meyer, Laura Lang, Bret Whinery, James Cox, Jeanette Heitfeld, Kandi Nelson, Carolyn McLemore (ex-officio), John McLemore (ex-officio). The other Board member is Lesli Busch, a parent.

There are numerous challenges in operating a child care facility. The staff and board are continually seeking to meet those challenges. Kids Central does have an outstanding loan to the congregation and is making regular payments.

I fully support Kids Central and see it as a viable and necessary ministry of our congregation. If you would like additional information contact me at 233-1214 or Pat Lent at 242-5177.

According to John. . .

If you watch much television (broadcast, cable or satellite) you are aware that the country is converting to High Definition TV in a few months. That is all well and good. Frankly, Carolyn and I will continue to use our 15 year old RCA TV attached to cable until it quits. But many people are converting now to the new flat screen high definition televisions. Perhaps you are, or will soon be, one of them.



This is a good opportunity for the church. It will be a long time before we go HD, if ever. We are, however, using multimedia more and more each month, in small groups, Sunday School classes and with youth and children.

Here is an offer. If you are upgrading to HDTV and/or a High Definition DVD player and have a good TV with RCA jacks that you will no longer be using, then donate it to the church. If you have a DVD player or a combination DVD/VHS player that you will no longer be using, then donate it as well. We will pick up the equipment and we will give you a letter for a charitable donation (similar to what Hope Outreach or the Salvation Army does).

The programs we use are all DVD or video tape based. We don't need HD capability, so this is a good opportunity for you to recycle good, working equipment, potentially receive a tax credit, and help the church.

Call the church office at 233-1214 and we will arrange the "pickup".

Grace and peace,

P.S. The TV's need to have RCA input/output jacks to benefit the church. If you are unsure of what you have, give us a call and we will check out your equipment to see if it is something we can use.

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

June 22, 2008

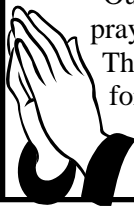
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| Chapel Service..... | 38 |
| Sanctuary Worship..... | 226 |
| Saturday Evening Worship..... | 10 |

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

June 29, Brian Meyer

July 6, Heath Wallace

July 13, Bret Whinery



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

Congratulations to **Melanie Novak!!**

She has been accepted into the Oklahoma State University College of Veterinary Medicine. She begins in August.

Diaconate Schedule

June 29—Team 2

July 6—Team 2

July 13—Team 3

Current Lectionary

June 29, 2008

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Readings:

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalms 13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

Color: Green

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SUNDAY, June 29, 2008

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| Chapel Worship..... | 8:00 a.m. |
| Sermon....."Five Finger Exercise"..... | Rev. John McLemore |
| Church School..... | 9:00 a.m. |
| Sanctuary Worship..... | 10:15 a.m. |
| Special Music....."Battle Hymn of the Republic"..... | Chancel Choir |

Elders: 8:00— Burl Bartlett 10:15— Brian Meyer, Don Angle

Worship Leader 10:15— Peg Krick

MEMORY JOGGER . . .

Just a reminder – as we all head off to Church Camp, Peru, California, Children’s group outings etc., be sure to wear your Central Christian Church T-shirt!



July 6

DEACONS

John Peterson
Lorene Harnish
Fred Overstreet
Paul Wagner
Jimmy Davis
Roger Groves
Steve Chambers
Kristie Petersen
Sue Dell

ELDERS

Joyce Greenhaw
Karen Foster
Fig Newton
James Cox
David Eck
Willo Clark
Thom Bushman
Peg Krick

Elders and Deacons: If you find a substitute please notify the office of the change .



Happy 90th Birthday!!

Calvin Mettee
6-30-2008

Sunday, June 29

8:00—Chapel Worship
9:00—Church School
10:15—Sanctuary Worship

Monday, June 30

12:00—Noon Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, July 1

12:00—**NO** Noon Bible Study
3:15—Emmaus Women’s Reunion Group
7:00—Caregivers Western Sizzlin’

Wednesday, July 2

9:00—TOPS
12:00—CWF Luncheon
1:00—Emmaus Men’s Reunion Group
6:30—**NO** Youth Group
6:30—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30—Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, July 3

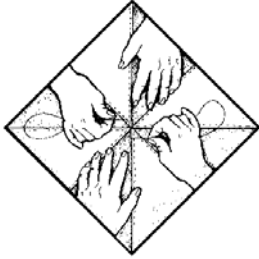
3:30—Enid Senior Care

Saturday, July 5

9:00—Heating up our Heart Prayer Walk
5:30—Saturday Evening Worship Service

Volunteers Needed

At times our church members have a need for transportation to medical appointments in Enid. If you would be willing to help with this ministry, please contact Mary Beach at 234-5767



Quilt Central Silent Auction

On Sunday, June 29, Quilt Central will continue the display of their Silent Auction Quilt for 2008 and share a Moment for Mission at both morning worship services. We have chosen a Patriotic theme this year and hope you will find it a “must have” purchase. The auction will conclude at noon that day. We plan to also have a few patriotic items for sale. Please drop by and see if you are inspired by the skills of our ladies. As always, any funds generated by our events go to support our mission of making quilts for the children served by Youth and Family Services. With you as our partners we can help a child who is lonely and afraid, feel the love of Christ through the hands of his servants on earth. Quilt Central is able to complete its work only through the generosity of friends like you.

AREA DISCIPLES MEN’S *STEAK DINNER*

WHEN: THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2008

6:30 p.m. SHARP

WHERE: FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 102 S. 7TH ST. KINGFISHER, OK

COST: \$7/PERSON

ENTERTAINMENT: “STRANGE AND WONDERFUL” musical talent.

REQUIREMENTS: Reservations are needed by Monday noon July 7th may be made with Shirley or Clara. Dress code is casual and bright disposition mandatory.



Beach Party is Coming!

The 2008 VBS Beach Party will be happenin’ **July 7-11** from 9:00 a.m. to noon here at Central Christian Church! It will be a blast!!! Kids (3 yrs thru 5th grade) will visit an exciting beach where they will learn the basics of surfing, ride the wave of God’s love, and go home with a new “Beach Be-Attitude.” Be obedient, be kind, be forgiving, be bold and believe are the essential “Beach Be-Attitudes” that, through the Surfin’ Scripture teachings, will be the basis for your kids VBS beach out. Be sure to look for the display on Sunday to sign up to make donations for VBS – everything from sponsoring one child to construction paper.

Registration forms will be at the welcome center. **PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDARS SO YOUR KIDS AND GRANDKIDS DON’T MISS OUT, DUDES!!!!** (That’s surfer talk for y’all!) This is coming to you from your cool surfin’ gals, Becky Meyer and Lori Hunter.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Compiled 6/24/2008)

All Caps reflects additions or changes

Please remember the following people as they deal with chronic illness: Carolyn Beck(friend of Judi Jorden), Bernice Crandall, Casey Cribley (submitted by Debbie Miranov), Bradley Gilbert (friend of Emmaus group), Wilma Goff (Sandra Justice's aunt), Paula Hay (daughter of Paul & JoAnn Hopkins), Marty Hoad, Joan Hull (co-worker of Tom Berlie), Ashlyn Maphet, (granddaughter of Ron & Pat Maphet), Ron Maphet, Shannon Mason (nephew of Kay Allison), Scott Perkins (son-in-law of Max and Ginger Hicks), Emily Rhodes (daughter-in-law of Beryl Bigger), Jessica Steffen (granddaughter of Denny & Peg Krick), Elbert Wheeler.

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Sam Parsons (son of Gretchen Parsons Massey)

Court Loomis who is facing cancer surgery Friday June 27th. (son of Bud and Madge Loomis)

Alma Davis is having health problems. (mother of Jimmy Davis)

HELEN WILSON died last Sunday (sister of Joe Frei)

DON WENTWORTH who is in the hospital due to a blood clot in his leg.

HALEY BAKER is having 4 major facial surgeries June 30th at Bass (14 yr old granddaughter of the late Ralph and Lula Baker)

Saint Mary's

Tom Berlie 575

Don Wentworth 400

Bass

Haley Baker

OU

Sandra Law

(Vera Frenches daughter)

Prayers for those in the armed services: Iraq daytime temp = 140 degrees

Ben Lentz in Iraq (son of Tom and Pat Lentz)

Caleb Holden (son of Robert and Carolyn Holden)

Corey Krick in Iraq (grandson of Denny and Peg Krick)

Brandon Randles in Iraq (son of Kids Central employee Kelly Straw)

Kevin Vendetti in Iraq (nephew of Kids Central employee Kelly Straw)

Andrew Wiles in Italy (son of Roger and Catherine Wiles)

Paul K. Wiles in Tennessee (son of Roger and Catherine Wiles)

“Confronting the Controversies: Biblical perspectives on tough issues.”

The Boomer Sunday School class will begin this new video-based study. We will discuss both sides of the following complex and controversial issues through the lens of the Bible. Each side of the issue will receive equal time and respect because there are no simple answers and Christians live on both sides of them.

TOPICS: *The Separation of Church and State, Creation and Evolution in the Public Schools, The Death Penalty, Euthanasia, Prayer in Public Schools, Abortion, and Homosexuality.*

Dates: June 29th— Introduction to the Series, (Breakfast will be provided)

July 6th—Separation of Church and State.

Please come and join in the discussion!

A Note From Our Regional Pastor

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

First Christian Church, Altus, was apparently struck by lightning and has burned to the ground. Pastor Jim Brown and his wife, Sharon, were on the scene shortly after the firefighters arrived and report that the church is a total loss – only a couple of brick walls remain standing. Both the Episcopal Church and the Church of Christ have invited the congregation of First Christian to use their facilities. The Oklahoma Regional Church Disaster Response Team has made an initial gift of \$1,000 in response and Week of Compassion has been informed of this disaster. Please keep Jim and Sharon Brown, the leadership at First, Altus, and the whole congregation in your prayers.

On a happier note I have received a report listing the “Top 100” Disciples congregations giving to our **Disciples Mission Fund** in 2007. It is extremely gratifying to know that nine Oklahoma churches were named in the list —**including your congregation!!!!**

Your church’s contributions to Disciples Mission Fund helps build the foundation on which Disciples can share the good news of Jesus Christ in Oklahoma and throughout the world. This common fund allows the Disciples to pool their resources to accomplish ministries greater than could be done by congregations working on their own. Disciples Mission Fund provides the means for us to engage in God-given ministries at home and world-wide. Your faithful support helps to assure that we live our vision “To be a faithful, growing church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice.” Please convey to your members my deepest appreciation for the continuing commitment to the important ministries being done throughout the whole church.

In Christ,

Rev. Thomas R. Jewell, Regional Pastor

“Heating Up Our Hearts”

Prayer Walk

Saturday, June 28th, 9am-Noon



Please join us Saturday morning to walk through the church facility praying for each of the offices, classrooms, and meeting areas.

Maps and sample prayers will be available at Ted’s place in the Loggia. Move at your own pace walking through the building praying for the activities of our church.

KIDS CORNER

GET READY FOR A BEACH PARTY!!!!!!!!!! - This year, VBS will be July 7 – 11 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Our theme this year is Beach Party and we are going to have a blast!!!!!!!!!! Get ready to have a surfin' good time and get absorbed by the light of Jesus. We may even get a tan from it!!!! J Directors are Becky Meyer and Lori Hunter with assistance from Carolyn and loads and scads of other people. Maybe we'll have sand cookies or surfboard sandwiches for snacks! Maybe not, but you'll have to come and find out! Get your registration form at the welcome center.

ACOLYTES– June 29
Harley Yniguez, Matthew Easter
(Substitute: Michelle Wagar)

TEACHERS – June 29
Carolyn McLemore

KIDS TIME STAFF
June 29
Johanna, Macy,
Kinsey

CALENDAR

- 6/28 – Saturday – 2:00 – swimming – Max and Mary Johnson's – 2722 Sunnybrook Circle - bring a swim suit and towel and a snack to share – I will provide drinks.
- 7/6--Sunday– 2:15 p.m.–Meet at church to go to Burgunday Place. We'll go to Braum's as usual and will be back to be picked up by 3:15 to 3:20.
- 7/12 – Jenks Aquarium – Saturday - leave at 10:00, back by 5:00; cost is \$13.95 adults (13+), military \$11.95, child (3-12) \$9.95.
- 7/17 – Movie (Jonah) – Thursday - Free – meet at mall at 11:45 to get good seats. Bring money for snacks if you want them.
- 7/31 – Movie (Shrek III) – Thursday - Free – meet at mall at 11:45 to get good seats. Bring money for snacks if you want them.
- 8/2 – Splash Zone – Saturday – 6:00 meet there - \$6.00 to swim or \$3.00 for spectator only.

DON'T FORGET TO STOP BY THE VBS DISPLAY IN THE LOGGIA AND PICK UP A FEW ITEMS TO DONATE FOR THE VBS. DONATE ANYTHING FROM "SPONSORING A CHILD- \$5.00" TO A PACKAGE OF SHARPIES. ANY WAY YOU CAN HELP WILL BE GREAT. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!!!!

Coffee Stains