
Church Visitor



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Wonderful Wednesday Night Fellowship Resumes Wednesday, August 20th

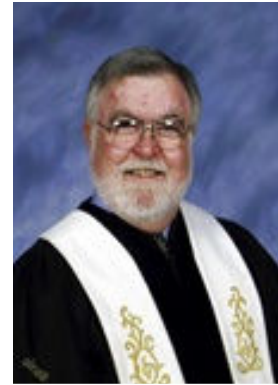
Following the normal summer break, WWNF resumes next Wednesday. It will be the usual schedule with the meal at 5:15 p.m., chapel worship at 6:00 p.m. and adult classes and chancel choir at 6:30 p.m. Children's and youth activities resume their schedule from last spring. Pick up a special brochure this Sunday which will itemize the complete schedule. The adult classes are from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. They are as follows:

20-Aug	Film Study-- Gospel of John	Learn & sing Praise Songs	
27-Aug	Film Study-- Gospel of John	Learn & sing Praise Songs	
3-Sep	Film Study-- Gospel of John	Learn & sing Praise Songs	
10-Sep	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Disc 201 -- How to do Bible Study
17-Sep	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Disc 201 -- How to do Bible Study
24-Sep	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Disc 201 -- How to do Bible Study
1-Oct	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Disc 201 -- How to do Bible Study
8-Oct	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Disc 201 -- How to do Bible Study
15-Oct	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Disc 201 -- How to do Bible Study
22-Oct	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Class offered by Special Gifts Trustees
29-Oct	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Class offered by Special Gifts Trustees
5-Nov	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Class offered by Special Gifts Trustees
12-Nov	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Class offered by Special Gifts Trustees
19-Nov	"The Shack" Discussion	Spanish Class	Class offered by Special Gifts Trustees

Plan to attend. Bring your friends! All are welcome!

According to John. . .

Well, the summer is almost over. School starts this week. Vacations are over. Football is just around the corner. We are certainly settling into our fall routine. **Wonderful Wednesday Night Fellowship** begins on Wednesday, August 20th. You can see the listing of classes for adults on the front page. There will be a brochure available Sunday listing all the WWNF activities and schedule. On Sunday, August 24th we will have our annual **Fall Kick-off Luncheon** immediately after the 10:15 a.m. service of worship. Attendance in worship is picking up. The Spirit is continuing God's call to faithfulness.

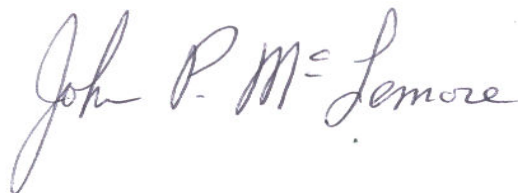


Our **100 Days of Prayer: Heating Up Our Hearts** is in its last weeks and I believe that these prayers have and continue to undergird our mission and ministry. We will do something after the conclusion of the 100 days to celebrate the success of this program.

Speaking of prayer, the Monday Noon Prayer Service is continuing as a wonderful ministry of the congregation. All are welcome to attend. The requests written on prayer cards during Sunday worship are part of the prayers offered each Monday. The staff reviews all the joys and concerns each Tuesday during Staff Meeting and prayers are offered. Now we are expanding our prayer ministry. A new email address has been established: prayers@centralenid.org. If you have need for special prayers you are invited to use this as an additional means of communicating prayer requests. On the Wednesday evenings when we have WWNF the Elders will gather in the small Prayer Chapel by the offices from 5:00 to 5:15 p.m. for prayer. They will be provided with a list of prayer needs including those submitted via email.

Sunday I am continuing the sermon series on the "Actions of a Faithful Church". Thus far I have preached on "Inviting", "Welcoming" and "Nurturing". This Sunday my sermon title is simply "To Worship". Come worship with us. Invite a friend and welcome those you meet.

Grace and peace,



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

August 10, 2008

Chapel Service.....	44
Sanctuary Worship.....	289
Saturday Evening Worship.....	22

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

August 17, Bret Whinery

August 24, David Dell

August 31, Mack Allison

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

January—June, 2008

YTD Actual YTD Budget

Income		
Pledges	236,906	256,000
Identified.....	33,443	39,563
Worship Offer.....	2,519	2,500
S.S. Offering	831	500
Other.....	17,782	2,938
TOTAL	291,481	301,900
Expenses		
Operations	291,786	301,900
YTD	(305)	

Meadows Point Delivery

Sooners

August 26-29

Diaconate Schedule

August 17—Team 2

August 24—Team 3

August 31—Team 3

Current Lectionary

August 17, 2008

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings:

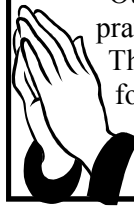
Genesis 45:1-15

Psalms 133

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

Color: Green



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

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~ SUNDAY ~ August 17, 2008 ~

Chapel Worship.....	8:00 a.m.
Sermon.....	"To Worship".....Rev. John McLemore
Scripture	Ephesians 4:11-13
Church School.....	9:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship.....	10:15 a.m.
Special Music.....	Chancel Choir
Elders: 8:00— Fig Newton, 10:15—Offering—James Cox, Communion—Becky Meyer	

Classes To Serve WWNF

August 20– Sooners Class

August 27-Crusaders Class

September 3– Genesis Class

September 10– Adult Bible Study

The Boomer Class will be discussing controversial issues/the death penalty. Two attorneys will discuss the issues from a legal perspective and we will be discussing it from a Biblical Perspective.

100 Days of Prayer Campaign

Please continue to bathe our church in prayer for the remainder of the 100 days. Ideas for this week are:

1. Pray for energetic and committed Sunday School teachers.
2. Pray for us to help others find a place to connect within our church (choir, CWF, small groups, etc.)
3. Pray that our members will be dedicated to personal spiritual growth in Bible study and prayer.
4. Pray for WWNF. May it be an opportunity for individuals to get “plugged in.” Pray for leaders to step forward to teach classes that we might offer new and exciting Bible study opportunities.
5. Pray that the leaders of our church can help us keep our attention and passion invested in Christ.

Sunday, August 17

8:00—Chapel Worship-Congregational Mtg
 9:00—Church School
 10:15—Sanctuary Worship-Congregational Mtg
 2:30—Burgundy Service
 4:00—Chi Rho
 5:30—CYF

Monday, August 18

12:00—Noon Prayer Meeting
 6:00—Quilter’s Guild
 6:30— Personnel Meeting

Tuesday, August 19

8:00—Single Women’s Breakfast
 12:00—Noon Bible Study
 6:30—World Outreach Committee Mtg
 6:30—Regional Camp Focus Group

Wednesday, August 20

WWNF Begins!

12:00—Single Men’s Luncheon
 5:15—WWNF Dinner
 6:00—Chapel
 6:30—Adult Classes
 6:30—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 6:30—Youth Group
 7:30—Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal
 7:30—Cabinet Mtg

Thursday, August 21

10:30—LifeLong Learning Brunch
 3:30—Enid Senior Care
 4:00—Cancer Support Group

Saturday, August 23

8:00—Emmaus Team Mtg
 5:30—Saturday Evening Worship Service

Sunday, August 24

8:00—Chapel Worship
 9:00—Church School
 10:15—Sanctuary Worship
 11:30—Fall Kick-off Luncheon
 4:00—Chi Rho
 5:30—CYF

Announcing a New Enid Cancer Support Group

Looking for a way to connect with others on the cancer journey? Join us for our first cancer support meeting!

**Thursday, August 21st
4pm-5pm**

Central Christian Church Parlor

Our first meeting includes a presentation on Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma by Mona Gilliam, an advanced practice nurse from Genentech BioOncology and formerly with MD Anderson. We'll also discuss plans for upcoming monthly support meetings.

Anyone facing cancer, whether you are being treated, are a family member or caregiver, is welcome to join us as we come together to talk, to pray, to educate and most of all to celebrate life!

For more information and to register, contact Rev. Don Johnson in the church

On Sale Now! Central Christian Church T-Shirts!

We have had several requests for more Church T-shirts.

Orders will be taken on the following Sundays: Aug. 10, 24, 31. You may also turn in your order form, along with payment, to the Church office any time before Sunday, August 31.

The pricing is slightly more than last year. Youth sizes: \$10.00, Adult sizes thru XL: \$11.00, Adult 2XL: \$13.00, Adult 3XL: \$14.00. Call Lois Tilley – 242-1809 with questions.



Thank You

**Dear Central Christian
friends of Phillips,**

Thank you so much for the use of your lovely facility for our PUAFAs reunion weekend. It was a wonderful gathering place, not only for us but for the community.

Martha Hatt, outgoing Secretary

Dear Friends at Central,

We appreciate so much receiving the Visitor each week. We noticed you have been sending cell phones for use in the military. We have these and are sending them your way. Miss you all.

Bob and Terri Clark



It's A Girl!!!

*Tristan Lane Little
8lbs, 4 oz, 19" long,*

*Was born in Carrollton,
TX on July 29th
to proud parents: Lane & Andrea,
big brothers Tuin & Kade, and
Grandparents Rick and Yvonne Little.*

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Updated 12 Aug 08

All Caps reflects additions or changes

Please remember the following people as they deal with chronic illness:

Theo Anderson, Carolyn Beck (friend of Judi Jordan), Tom Berlie, Mel Bloss, Casey Cribley (submitted by Debbie Miranov), Paula Hay (daughter of Paul & JoAnn Hopkins), Judi Heller, Sandra Law (Vera French's daughter), Ashlyn Maphet (granddaughter of Ron & Pat Maphet), Ron Maphet, Dorothy Martin, Shannon Mason (nephew of Kay Allison), Mary Ann Oblander (David Dell's sister), Ryan O'Banion (Mike & Martha O'Banion's son), Scott Perkins (son-in-law of Max and Ginger Hicks), Robert Qualls, Emily Rhodes (daughter-in-law of Beryl Bigger), Jessica Steffen (granddaughter of Denny & Peg Krick), Avis Ward (Beth Tefft's friend), Elbert Wheeler, Shari Zarayasi (former member living in Denver), and June Smith (Shari Zarayasi's mother- June and Shari are relatives of Curt Horrall and Jeanne Luther).

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Court Loomis is continuing to heal at home. (Son of Bud and Madge Loomis)

Jeremy Wynne Shellady is in rehab from brain surgery. Brain tumor determined to be benign. (Josephine Carthel's grandson/Betty Shellady's nephew)

Ann Fowler & daughter are both struggling with cancer.

PAUL DENNY is recovering from cataract surgery, and his mother who fell and broke her hip.

TAYLOR BECTON (John and Carolyn's nephew).

JERRY REINEHART is having medical problems.

PHILLIS MAY'S son in Florida is having medical problems.

SONYA TAFOLLA is facing back surgery.

Saint Mary's

Ruth Mahaffey, 312

Dean Schultutz, 404

Duane Simpson, ICU 455

Betty Smith, 527

Evelyn Frech, 577

Mary Simpson, 579

Lorraine Irvin, 591

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

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)

Joey Snapp in Iraq. (nephew of Fig Newton)

Regional Mission Trip to Dominican Republic

In April, the Oklahoma Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) sent ten people from six churches to the city of Boca Chica in the Dominican Republic to establish a long-term relationship with the mission organization, Caminante, which is partially supported by Global Ministries and Church World Services.

Boca Chica is a tourist destination with a white sand beach and turquoise waters, as beautiful as any beach in the Caribbean. But because of the shut down of a large sugar cane factory that employed 10,000 people, the unemployment rate in this town is 40%. With unemployment rates this high, come social problems we can't imagine.

We saw how Caminante helps children and young adults to break the bonds of poverty through education. Boys, 6 and 7 years old, drop out of school to work on the beach as "shoeshine boys" and do other work to help put food on their family's table. In two facilities, Caminante provides tutoring to these grade school dropouts so they can re-enter public school. Caminante also provides excellent vocational education to recent high school graduates in computer skills, baking, sewing, construction skills and jewelry making which allow these graduates to land high paying jobs.

As a result of this trip, the Oklahoma Region is sponsoring the construction and operation of a third one-room school in a "barrio" that will enable 60 children, ages 6 to 12, who have dropped out of school, to successfully re-enter public school. We plan to underwrite a college-educated teacher's salary, educational supplies and building costs for 15 months for this school.

Over the next months, you will hear stories and see pictures of this mission trip. Stories of gritty poverty beyond anything we can imagine in the United States, but also stories of hard work, hospitality and hope. Our Oklahoma mission will make a difference in the lives of children in the city of Boca Chica and in the lives of us in Oklahoma

We are to planning two mission trips back to Boca Chica and the Caminante mission in 2009. If you would like to participate in this mission – through your prayers or going on a mission trip – call the church office.

Two churches from Enid were represented on this trip: Harriet Dupus from Christian Church of the Covenant and Don and Tary Davis Johnson from Central Christian Church. Other churches represented were Crown Heights Christian Church and Western Oaks Christian Church both in Oklahoma City, Southern Hills Christian Church in Edmond and First Christian Church in Broken Arrow.

A lot of church members who are singing 'Standing on the Promises' are just sitting on the premises.

The Central Christian Legacy Endowment Funds:

Youth and Children Fund

Christian Education Fund

Mission Outreach Fund

Property and Maintenance Fund

"Turn the energies of your life
into ministry"

For questions, contact Thom Bushman

KIDS KORNER

CALENDAR INFORMATION

8/24 – Fall Kickoff and Teacher Appreciation Sunday

Please keep Makayla Hinderliter in your prayers. She has been in the hospital with asthma but is at home now. Pray that she continues to get well.

Promotion Sunday

Promotion Sunday went really well last Sunday. We had a lot of kids here but missed those of you who were out of town or sick. Congratulations to all of you for all the hard work you've done in the last year to grow as Christians. You're just WONDERFUL!!!!!!!!!!!!

NEEDS FOR TSULTRIM

We are gathering things for Tsultrim and need to get everything here so I can get them sent by Sept. 10th. It's getting on towards cold weather and school has started so we'll need to get his things to him as soon as possible. First, we need \$\$\$\$\$\$ donations to buy shoes and a good, heavy winter coat for him. If you have a really heavy winter coat to donate that would fit someone size 14-16 that would be great. Also, we need: #2 pencils, erasers, notebook paper (not colored), gently-used backpack, socks (size to fit a boys 13 shoe), underwear (boys size large), markers, sharpies, heavy gloves, heavy stocking cap or hat with "ears", soccer ball, "regular" balls, jeans (boys 14-16), sweats (14-16), sweatshirts, long-sleeved shirts, heavy winter scarves, pictures of yourselves with your names and ages on the back. There are two boxes outside my office to put the items in. We need \$\$\$\$\$\$ to help pay for the cost of shipping things to him. It costs over \$150.00 shipping. Be sure to give the money directly to Carolyn so it can be turned in properly and taken out of the correct fund.

ACOLYTE– Aug 17

Sarah Johnson

(Substitute: Connor Angleton)

KIDS TIME STAFF – Aug 17

Sue, Stephanie, Rachel, Katherine,
Johanna

ROTATION TEACHERS – Aug 17

Carolyn – All grades

Coffee Stains

For those of you that were not in the Sanctuary Sunday, I have exciting news, I am going to Seminary!!! As so many have before me, so I go, to learn to be a better servant of God and to learn how to teach others about Jesus. It is my intention to go only one day a week and continue my full time status here at Central. So don't worry, you are **NOT** getting rid of me...

This Sunday in Sunday school we will be studying 1 Thessalonians and celebrating the work of Beth and Terry Henneke. We will have doughnuts and coffee to commemorate and thank them. We really appreciate their help in teaching Sunday school and look forward to their return in a few more months. Beth and Terry, thank you so much.

God bless you all. See you Sunday!

Peace, JW.