
Church Visitor



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Church Board Embraces Kids Central

A special called meeting of the Church Board occurred last Wednesday, October 22nd. The sole topic discussed was Kids Central, our weekday childcare program. Our director, Pat Lentz, resigned. With the resignation, came a number of questions about the future viability of this program. One question that has continually been asked is, "Does Central Christian Church consider Kids Central as an outreach ministry of the church?"



The Kids Central board has been meeting with parents and teachers. The parental response was very compelling as parents explained why they choose Kids Central and how Kids Central has impacted the lives of their children. All of this information was shared with the Church Board.

After a number of questions, a lengthy discussion, and a failed motion, the following occurred (from the minutes of the meeting):

Kristy Petersen: "I move that the Board of Central Christian Church provide the teachers, staff and parents of Kids Central with a vote of confidence and our assurance that we consider Kids Central to be a mission of this church. We will incorporate a plan of support for Kids Central in a timely fashion and are committed to doing what is necessary to keep the facility operational and successful."

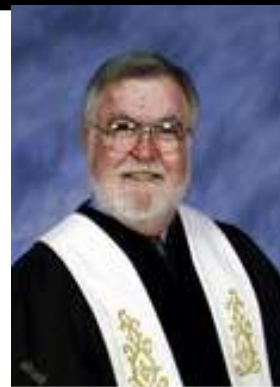
Motion seconded by Madge Loomis. Motion passed.
(without objection)

Now we are in the process of seeing how we will organize ourselves to accomplish this mandate. In the final analysis, Kids Central is being embraced as a full ministry of Central Christian Church. Thanks be to God!



...According to John

Welcome to our newest member, Cyndi Carlson. Cyndi joined our church last Sunday during the 10:15 a.m. service. She has been regularly attending the Boomer Class and has participated in various Bible studies. WELCOME Cyndi.



Last Sunday we hosted a luncheon for new and prospective members after church. It was well attended. Special thanks to our hosts and hostesses who prepared covered dishes and desserts. A number of people have commented on the success of the event and I was very pleased by the response.

The next two Sundays, November 2nd and 9th, I will be teaching a Disciples 101 class again. It will be in the multi-purpose room on the east side of the second floor in the education wing. This class is for new members, prospective members and anyone who wants to learn more about the Christian church (Disciples of Christ) and Central Christian Church. Class begins at 9:00 a.m. (during the Sunday school hour). If you have a friend or relative that is looking for a church home, then bring them to the class. We will have a lot of fun. Certainly, all are welcome.

I am very excited and pleased by the board action regarding Kids Central (see front page article). Frankly, I was one who thought the time had come to close the child care, but a number of things occurred that changed my mind, not the least of which was a Kids Central Board meeting where 21 families were represented talking about the impact this ministry has had on the lives of their children. My eyes were opened. This is a vital ministry that we are providing and now it is fully embraced by the church. Thanks be to God.

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

October 26, 2008

Chapel Service.....	38
Sanctuary Worship.....	272
Saturday Evening Worship.....	11

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

November 2, Brian Meyer
November 9, Bret Whinery
November 16, Mack Allison

Classes To Serve WWNF

November 5– Genesis Class
November 12– Adult Bible Study
November 19– Sooners Class
November 26– Crusaders Class

WWNF MENU

October 29

Ham & Beans, cornbread and dessert

Diaconate Schedule

November 2—Team 2
November 9—Team 2
November 16—Team 3

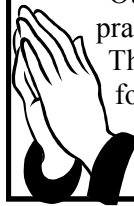
Current Lectionary

Sunday, November 02, 2008
Twenty fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings:

Joshua 3:7-17
Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Matthew 23:1-12

Color: Green



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

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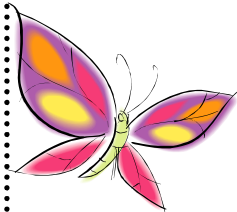
~ SUNDAY ~ November 2, 2008 ~

Chapel Worship	8:00 a.m.
Sermon	"Bless Be the Lord: Prelude" Rev. John McLemore
Scripture	I Samuel 1, 2
Church School9:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship10:15 a.m.
Special MusicChancel Choir
Special MusicJYF Bell Choir

Elders: 8:00– Burl Bartlett

10:15– Offering— Dorothy Bracher, Communion—Karen Foster

World Community Day
God's Wisdom Sets Us Free
Church Women United



Friday, November 7
Central Christian
Church
Registration 6pm
Meal 6:30pm
Cost is \$6

For reservations contact Peggy
at 234-2944 by Friday, Oct 31.

Church Work Day

On Saturday, November 1, there will be a church work day. We hope to have both church members and parents whose children attend Kids Central attend. The work day will last from 9 am to approximately 12 noon. Tools will be provided. We have work for all ages. Child care will be provided and there will be hamburgers served to all participants at noon.

We will work on the following projects:

- Finish preparing the outdoor playground for delivery of woodchips
 - Paint one set of stairs in the Education Wing
 - Trim trees
 - Spray weeds
 - Clean gardens
 - Pick up trash
- Hope to see you Saturday morning.

Sunday, November 2

Daylight Savings!!!
8:00—Chapel Worship
9:00—Sunday School
9:00—Disciples 101
10:15—Sanctuary Worship
4:30—Chi Rho
5:00—Snack Supper
5:30—CYF



Monday, November 3

12:00—Noon Prayer Service
6:00—Women's Guild Dinner

Tuesday, November 4

Election Day
10:00—LifeLong Learning
12:00—Noon Bible Study
5:00—Caregivers at Western Sizzlin'

Wednesday, November 5

See WWNF Schedule on next page

9:30—CWF Lesson Leaders
10:30—CWF Executive Board
12:00—CWF Luncheon
5:15—Dinner
6:30—Youth Group
6:30—Chancel Choir
7:30— Adult Handbell Choir

Thursday, November 6

10:00—LifeLong Learning
3:30—Enid Senior Care

Friday, November 7

7:00— CWF World Community Day Dinner

Saturday, November 8

5:30—Saturday Evening Worship Service

Sunday, November 9

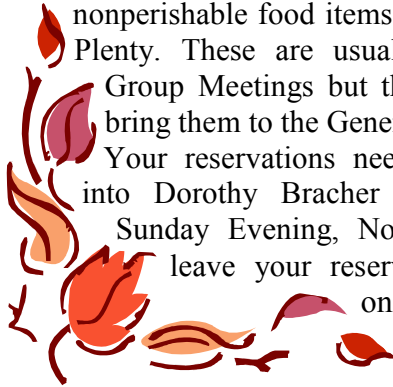
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5:30—CYF
6:00—Elder's Meeting

CWF News

The CWF General Luncheon will be November 5th at noon. It's a Thanksgiving Surprise, guaranteed to get you into the holiday and Thanksgiving Spirit.

Please bring 1 or 2 items of any type of nonperishable food items for the Horn of Plenty. These are usually collected at Group Meetings but this once, please bring them to the General Meeting.

Your reservations need to be turned into Dorothy Bracher (237-4120) by Sunday Evening, Nov 2. You may leave your reservation numbers on her answering machine.



Disciples 101

Class Meets Sunday in the Multi Purpose Room At 9:00am!

Sooner Class Party

Thursday Nov 6th at 5:30pm

Fellowship Hall
Dinner and Games

\$2 per person, call Irene Green at 234-2730 to make your reservations.

Thank You, Jones Family

The kids and the Education Committee want to say thank you to Katherine, Zach and Janet Jones for all the hard work they put in on Saturday getting our art room "up to snuff". We couldn't do it without them, they really rolled up their sleeves and went to work. God bless you for your volunteer work for our church and children!!!!

WWNF Schedule

5:00pm—Elder Prayer time in the Prayer Chapel
5:15pm—Meal
5:30pm—Youth Choir
6:00pm—Chapel
6:00pm—JYF choir (grades 3 – 6)
—CCF free play time (ages 3 – 2nd grade)
6:30pm—JYF bells (grades 3 – 6)
—Chancel Choir
—Adult Classes
—CCF Creative Crafts with Sally (grades K—2nd grade)
7:00pm—CCF Story time and activities (ages 3 – 2nd grade)
—JYF (grades 3 – 6)
7:30pm—Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Weekly Giving Report

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	O/U BUDGET	Y/TO/D GIVING	Y/T DATE BUDGET	SHORTAGE
5-Oct	\$19,975.20	\$12,327.58	\$7,647.62	\$449,183.91	\$463,768.17	(\$14,584.26)
12-Oct	\$10,330.01	\$12,327.58	(\$1,997.57)	\$459,513.92	\$476,095.75	(\$16,581.83)
19-Oct	\$13,466.15	\$12,327.58	\$1,138.57	\$472,980.57	\$488,423.33	(\$15,443.26)
26-Oct	\$9,924.01	\$12,327.58	(\$2,403.57)	\$482,904.08	\$493,103.29	(\$10,199.27)
TOTAL	\$53,695.37	\$49,310.32	\$4,385.05	\$482,904.08	\$493,103.29	(\$15,443.26)

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Updated 29 Oct 2008

All Caps reflects additions or changes

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

Taylor Beckton (John and Carolyn's nephew), Mel Bloss, Casey Cribley (submitted by Debbie Miranov), Devon Gorre's grandfather, Eric Koegel (son of Connie Koegel/brother of Cindy Worthington), Paula Hay (daughter of Paul & JoAnn Hopkins), Judi Heller, George & Wilma McCormick, John McLemore, L.V. Powell, Elbert Wheeler.

Please lift up the following in your prayers:

Jerry Reinhart is facing additional medical treatment.

Marilyn Sommer will begin chemotherapy to battle Breast Cancer (Virginia Spencer's daughter).

Donna Wade are fighting illness.

Bill Littrell, of Cleo Springs, is recovering from a motorcycle accident (friend of Bill Shaw).

James & Kelsey Lantz and family need your prayers for an unexpected illness.

Anna Coffman is coping with health issues.

Megan Pearsall, 25 year old, is home recovering from her "stroke like" event (friend of the Gibersons).

Carolyn Spradlin is suffering through medical issues (mother of Sally Wheeler).

THELMA DODD is experiencing health problems.

St. Mary's

Mary Simpson, 586

Prayers for those in the armed services:

Caleb Holden (son of Robert and Carolyn Holden)

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)

Phillip Schwitz in Iraq (Judi Heller's cousin)

Ryan Maphet (grandson of Ron & Pat Maphet/nephew of Van & Natalie Schuermann)

A Note of Thanks

Thanks to all who assisted with the CACS/Civitan Halloween Dance. The music was wonderful (special thanks to James Phillips). Also, many thanks to Sally Wheeler, our official dance photographer!

To all who donated pop, cookies or helped with the dance and clean-up afterward - You are appreciated!

Email your prayer requests to Prayers@centralenid.org



November 2

DEACONS

Kara Hryhorchuk
 Stephanie Yunker
 Chuck Waldrip
 Jay Lohmeyer
 Janet Lohmeyer
 Natalie Schuermann
 Van Schuermann
 Kristy Petersen

ELDERS

Jim Cox
 Thom Bushman
 Dorothy Bracher
 Willo Clark
 Barbara Baker
 Phil Adams
 Mickie Giberson
 Madge Loomis

**Save the Date!
 December 20 & 21**

Mixed Company present's their
 Christmas Program.

**Diaconate Team 2
 Serves Nov 2 & Nov 9**

If you are not on Team 2, please check the sign up list
 to see if you may be needed to fill in.

Roy Smith
 Sue Dell
 Lorene Harnish
 Jimmie Davis
 Bill Brant
 Fred Overstreet
 Roger Groves
 Kathy Eck
 LaDonna Groves
 Beth Teft
 Jana Davis
 Randy McWilliams
 Rhonda Robinett
 Dee Smith
 Mark Johnson
 Jance Davis
 Zack Jones

Boomer Sunday School Class News

On Sunday, November 2, the Boomer Sunday school class will begin a series of lessons on the Psalms. Each class will include two videos. The first video will show stunning pictures, accompanied by music, and dramatically illustrating specific psalms. The second video will feature discussion by Bible scholars. There will be opportunities for class discussion as we examine the Psalms as prayers, poetry, and profound expression of faith. In response to the struggles of everyday life, the writers of the Psalms praise God's faithfulness and lament God's perceived absences. They give thanks for God's goodness and complain that God neglects them. In faithful hope, they cast their cares on God and confess terrible dread and worry about their future. In so doing, the writers of the Psalms have left behind texts of grace and glory often unmatched in sacred and secular literature.

Visitors are always welcome to this exciting Bible study series.

KIDS KORNER

If you see someone who hasn't been coming to Sunday School, bells, choir, CCF or JYF, ask them to come back to join us. We miss kids when they aren't here!!!!!!!

Kids, have you been practicing your "green" ideas? Be sure to turn off the lights when you leave a room, not just

because your parents always tell you to, but because it saves energy and is good for the Earth God gave us. Do you remember some of our other ideas? Be sure to share them with your families so they can do it too!!!!

New Memory Verse: Our new memory verse for our "Love Your Enemies" rotation is **"But I say to you that listen: love your enemies, do good to those that hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you."** Luke 6:27 Let's see if we can get 100% of you to learn it. Break it down into small parts and learn the parts separately and then you can remember the entire thing!!!!!!!

We will be going to Burgundy Place on November 16th. We'll leave the church at 2:15 in the van and be back by 3:30 to be picked up. We'll go to Braum's, as usual. Be sure to be there.

ACOLYTE-- November 2

Sarah Johnson

(substitute -Connor Angleton)

KIDS TIME STAFF – November 2

Melissa, Amanda, Molly,

Connor, Kayci, Rachel

ROTATION TEACHERS – November 2

Becky Meyer, 1st/2nd (music);

Laurie Bushman, 3rd/4th (games);

Lois Tilley, 5th/6th, (storytelling)



Coffee Stains

Things are looking great for our Junior High Halloween Dance on Friday. Be aware that Friday night, the only the North doors of the Loggia will be unlocked. We want to make sure we know who is here and control the flow of traffic.

November is quickly approaching and soon the leaves on the trees are going to fall. Don't forget to come to Sunday school this Sunday an hour later, because it is daylight savings time. So "fall back" on Saturday night and enjoy that extra hour of sleep.



Peace, J dubs