

The Central Visitor



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Changing Lives, Delivering Hope*

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SUNDAY, July 28, 2019
WORSHIP AT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP AT 9:00 a.m.
Fear Not
Text: Isaiah 41:10-20
Zach Martin



Employment Opportunity: Nursery Attendant

Central Christian Church is a friendly and growing church! We’re seeking a part-time Nursery Care Attendant.

Nursery ages are newborn through 5 years old.


15-20 hours per month

Sunday morning service from 8:45 am-12 noon & attendance at special services

Send resume and cover letter to:
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Chalice Class

The 2019 General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA took place in Des Moines, IA, July 20 -24. The theme of the assembly was “Abide in Me” (John 15:1-5). We will take a look at some happenings and discussions from the assembly.



DPS Providing Before/After School Program—Workers Needed!

Innovation Learning is an extended learning provider, offering before and after school programs that help children develop 21st Century skills in a safe, fun, and structured setting, right at your school! For more information on how your child can be part of the Innovation Learning program at your school, contact us at 1-866-239-3661, or register at www.innovationlearning.com. Site Coordinator and Teacher positions are available now, paying \$16-\$21/hr. College degree and 1 year of experience working with children preferred, however, a college degree is not required if candidates have 3 years of experience working with children. If you know of anyone interested, please have them email their resume to Christina Owens at COwens@innovationlearning.com

Food Collection

The food collection for August 4th will be cereal. The shopping cart is located in the Connection Café for your convenience.



Counting On You
Sunday, July 21, 2019
Worship Attendance 226
Sunday School & Small Groups.....69



Enhance Your Vision

The theme for the August 14th 3D's meal (formerly known as Elderberries) is a Cookout on the Grill. Program begins at **11:30 AM** in the Great Hall. We will be celebrating Vernon Wimberly's visit from Florida (he was a custodian for years). We will eat at **12:00 PM**. RSVP by Friday August 9th by calling the church office. Menu: Cheesy Hot Dogs, Pasta Salad, Chips and Salsa, Ice cream bars, and cookies.



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Lost and Found Items

Did you lose something? We may have found it! Lost and Found is located in the church office. Please contact us to see if we might have your lost item.

Thank You Central Christian Church

I want to thank you for the wonderful opportunity you gave me to attend two music and worship conferences this summer. These events are always inspiring and rejuvenating, good for the head, heart, and soul.

The first was the 58th annual conference of the Association of Disciples Musicians. This national organization is supported by Disciples Home Missions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and meets annually to share in worship, sing in a chorus, play the organ and other instruments, and learn from workshop presentations. All sessions are led by prominent clinicians from around the country, including members of ADM.

Highlights of this conference were the worship leading of Linda McKiernan-Allen, serving the West Street Christian Church in Tipton, IN, and the preaching and teaching of Ron Allen, retired from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, IN. The theme they worked with was framed as "Blessing, Glory, Honor, and Power" and used selected passages from the book of Revelation. Each worship service was a powerful combination of music, hymns, readings, and visual aids that centered on the passage for the day. Each service culminated in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. I went away from the worship time with new insights and a sense of togetherness with the other 90 participants.

Another highlight was singing in the ADM Chorus under the direction of Mack Wilberg, the musical director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. He brought with him several arrangements of hymns that he wrote (you will hear them in worship in the future). We rehearsed for an hour and a half each day in preparation for the final worship service. That service also included the gifts of the Handbell choir led by Joel Raney from Hope Publishing.

There were many other great things that happened during this conference, including sharing some of the time with David Williams and Dee Dee Gain, who were also in attendance. The conference was well planned and carried out.

The second conference was a similar event planned for the Fellowship of American Baptist Musicians. This group meets annually at Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI. The president for the past two years was Mike Waltenberger of First Baptist Church here in Decatur.

Again, the conference was set up to include worship times, rehearsal, and workshop opportunities. The preacher and teacher was Dr. Lee Spitzer, the General Secretary of the American Baptist Churches, USA. The theme for the week was "Let the Whole World Praise", and ironically, one of the scriptures was from Revelation, duplicating the ADM worship. In one service, Dr. Spitzer shared his journey from a childhood living in a non-practicing Jewish family on Long Island to serving as the General Secretary of the Baptist Church. Quite inspirational.

The choir was directed by Gene Peterson, who has a great deal of choral music experience in church and university settings. The music was well chosen and carefully rehearsed so that the final concert was a wonderful experience for singer and listener both.

I was also invited to prepare a workshop to share the formation and activities of Heart and Soul, a choir for people with special needs. This was a good opportunity to reflect on how that whole endeavor got started, how it has

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grown, and what we might do in the future. It reminded me of what a positive impact the singers of Heart and Soul make on their audience. It reassured me that they are a blessing to each other and to those who listen.

Thank you again for two wonderful weeks. I hope can make good use of the material I collected and the insights I gleaned from these events.

Blessings,
Don Martin

Coming in August... "Welcome 101"



Have you been attending Central Christian for a while and are interested in learning more about us? Would you like to hear about ways you can plug in and connect to what's happening here? Would you like a tour of our building and a chance to discover the wonderful ministries happening here? If so, then we'd love to have you join us at "WELCOME 101." This is a 90 minute info-gathering hosted by our ministerial staff here at Central. Be on the lookout for dates and times offered in August!

Save the Date: Financial Peace University is coming

Another 10-week Financial Peace University class is coming this Fall at Central! It will be held on Mondays from 6 – 8 p.m. beginning on September 9 and concluding November 4. You can register online (www.cccdisciples.org) or call the church office (428-4336). Cost of the class is \$109 per person (or couple).



Stay Connected this Summer!

With the coming of summer vacation, we understand that many will be traveling at different times over the next several months. Wherever your travels may take you, we pray for your safekeeping. We also hope you will remember to stay connected with us, both when you are in Decatur and when "on the road." You can do that by:

- Coming to worship when you are in town. We'd love to see you and hear about your adventures
- Watching our traditional service via the "Live Streaming" feature on our website. [Click here.](#)
- Following our Facebook pages daily!
- On our church's main page ([click here](#)), we will provide regular updates of what's happening at Central.
- On our contemporary page ([click here](#)), we will also be posting video highlights of each week's service.

Wherever your travels take you, we want you to feel connected to your church family at Central!

2019 Autumn Sunday School: Dig Into Epic Teachings of the Bible

Digging Into Epic Teachings of the Bible explores the enduring lessons of the Old and New Testaments. We'll dig into Scripture such as the Fruit of the Spirit, Armor of God, and Psalm 23.

Do you like to help children learn, grow, and get excited about God's love? Do you like games, crafts, and snacks? WE NEED YOU! Autumn Sunday School is gearing up to begin and we need Kindergarten through 5th grade class leaders. Our leaders serve Two Sundays a month. 8:45 through 10:15 am. Lessons, hand-outs, crafts, games, and snacks are provided.



Sunday (28)

- 8:00-Traditional Worship Service
- 9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall
- 9:00-Fellowship Coffee
- 9:00-Youth Sunday School Classes
- 9:15-Adult Sunday School Classes
- 10:30-Traditional Worship Service
- 12:00-Praise Team Rehearsal, Great Hall

Monday (29)

- 4:00-Intentional Worship Meeting, GH
- 5:00-Veterans, Disciples Room

Tuesday (30)

- 7:00-Journeymen, Connection Café
- 9:00-Christcare Stitchers, 207

Wednesday (31)

- 3:00-Board of Trustees, Conf. Room

Thursday (August 1)

- 10:00-Al-Anon, 240
- 6:30-Decatur Needle Arts, 207
- 7:00-Chancel Choir

Friday (2)

Saturday (3)

Sunday (4)

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On this day in Christian history....

Born: July 24, 1725

John Newton

English Clergyman, hymn writer.

Music: Amazing Grace (1779)

Died: July 24, 1921

Cyrus Ingerson Scofield

American Bible Teacher.

Editor of the Scofield Reference Bible (1909) and founder of the Central American Mission (1890).

Sunday School Classes	Floor	Room
Koinonia	2	212
Ecclesia	2R	240
Chalice	2	207
6th grade - 12th grade	2R	280
Kindergarten - 5th grade	2R	230
Nursery (Birth - 5 years old)	1R	150

Serving Schedule—Sunday, July 28, 2019

Elders:

8:00 & 10:30 - Dick Cain & Gail Prince
 9:00—Brett Swallow

Deacons:

8:00 - Team 3 - Sid & Krista Rohrscheib, Jane Davis, Mike Munos, Bob Muschal, Pat Penhallegon, Bobby Munos, Becky Johnston, Carolyn McCall

9:00—Cindy Grabowski

10:30 - Team 4 - Jeannie Backes, Matthew Swarthout, Jon French, David Martin, Mike & Gretchen Kirby, Mark Beal, Doug Soebbing, Roger Rutherford, Ron & Gwen Miller, Seth Martin, Pam Ferguson, Brittney Moran, Pam Larrick, Shelby Baum

Ushers:

8:00 -Team 3 - Dennis Downey, Capt., Jim & Pamela Bednar

10:30 - Team 8 - Pamela Ferguson, Capt., Doug Soebbing

Greeters:

8:00 - Gregg & Linda Foltz

9:00—Fulk family

10:30 - Ron & Mary Jane Oliver

Acolytes:

10:30 - Peyton Swarthout & Amila Bradfield

P.A. Operator:

8:00 - Jim Bednar

10:30—Mike Kirby

Preparation of Communion:

Sid & Krista Rohrscheib, Emily Rohrscheib, Jane Latshaw

Ride Share Drivers:

8:00 & 9:00 Services & Sunday School - Andy Fulk 763-6624

Sunday School and 10:30 service - Brett Swallow 433-7488

Liturgist:

8:00 & 10:30—Diane Ritter

9:00—Theresa Fulk

Hospitality:

9:00—Fulk family

Tech:

9:00—Jodie Walwer & Mike Tanzyus

Main Entrance Door Hosts:

July 29 N/A

July 30 8:30-12:00—Sandy Garver

July 31 8:30-12:00—Mary Jane Oliver

August 1 8:30-12:00—Karen Penn

August 2 N/A

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 Tina Miller.....Associate Minister of CE & Family Life
 David Martin.....Youth Director
 Cordelia “Dee Dee” GainOrganist
 David Williams.....Organist
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 Yvonne Boyd.....Administrative Assistant
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 Cheryl Williams.....Nursery Attendant
 Hannah BrimmerNursery Attendant
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 Angela Moore.....Teacher Assistant
 Paula Partain.....Teacher Assistant
 Lisa Coates.....Preschool Teacher
 Kay Villarreal.....Preschool Teacher
 Sharon Renfro.....Preschool Teacher
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