

The Central Visitor

*A weekly visitor to your home bringing
you news from Central Christian Church
Our mission ... Sharing Christ,
Changing Lives, Delivering Hope*

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Way to go, Toby!

We are so proud of Toby Jones, one of Central's awesome Caretakers and a recipient of one of the 2020 scholarships from Central Christian Church. Toby graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Human Services in Youth and Family Services and Administration. Congratulations, Toby! Next, Toby will be pursuing her Masters Degree in this same field. Thank you, Central, for your faithfulness in helping to make this happen.

Vision Round Tables

We have now held 2 Vision Round Table meetings at Central to discuss our vision for the future. Vision Team leader Gregg Foltz wants to make sure that everyone who wished to attend a Round Table has the opportunity to do so. We don't currently have any more Round Tables scheduled, but if there is enough interest, we may hold another. Please contact Gregg Foltz (g55foltz@gmail.com) or central@cccdisciples.org for the church office to let us know if you are interested in participating.



Food Donations for Northeast Community Fund

Let's fill up the shopping cart again! We will collect food on the first Sunday of each month. As when we did this before the pandemic, cereal is always in demand. Also pasta & pork & beans are needed.. Bring your donations for May 2 to the shopping cart in the cafe. Thanks for your Christian generosity!



SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN-PERSON
(SANCTUARY) AND LIVE STREAMED
ON WWW.CCCDISCIPLES.ORG
AT 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
IN-PERSON (GREAT HALL)
AND ON FACEBOOK LIVE
AT 9:15 a.m.

***Prophets: Listening for the
Voice of God***

Text: I Samuel 3:1-11
Michael E. Karunas



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Available Online and at the Welcome Center

Higher education is important and valuable. It opens possibilities and helps students discover and foster unique gifts and talents and demonstrates a person's willingness to make an investment in his/her own future!

Central Christian Church supports those pursuing higher education and we understand the challenges of meeting its cost. Scholarships are open to all high school graduates as well as anyone who is currently attending a college, university, technical school, or vocational school, or who is planning to attend one during the 2021-2022 academic year.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DATES:

Available: now!

Return Deadline: May 1, 2021 @

3:00 pm

www.cccdisciples.org



VBS Overview Meeting

Great Hall

Monday, April 19

at 5:30 pm

All Volunteers Welcome!

VBS Registration

VBS registration opens this Friday, April 16th. On that day, you'll be able to find the registration on our website, www.cccdisciples.org.

Minister's Article

People with a Purpose

We've spent the last 6 weeks thinking about our mission as a congregation. In our WWW. sermon series (Who we are, What we do, Why we do it), we spent one Sunday each on the six words of our mission motto ("Share Christ. Change Lives. Deliver Hope."). As we move toward Pentecost (May 23), we want to build on "Mission" and think about "Purpose." For us to fulfill our mission as the people of God, what kind of people will we need in the church; what kind of people will we need to become, individually?

This is the question we will seek to answer in our new series called "**People with a Purpose**." In order for us to fulfill our mission, we need to bring out the Prophet, Poet, Priest, Penguin, and Panda in each of us (individually) and among us (as a congregation).

April 18

Prophet: *Listening for the voice of God*

I Samuel 3:1-11

April 25

Poet: *Imagining God's desired World*

I Corinthians 13:1-2

May 2

Priest: *Faith in Action*

Matthew 21:28-32

May 9

Penguin: *Committed, Daring, and Communal*

Mark 6:7-13,
Corinthians 15:50-58

May 16

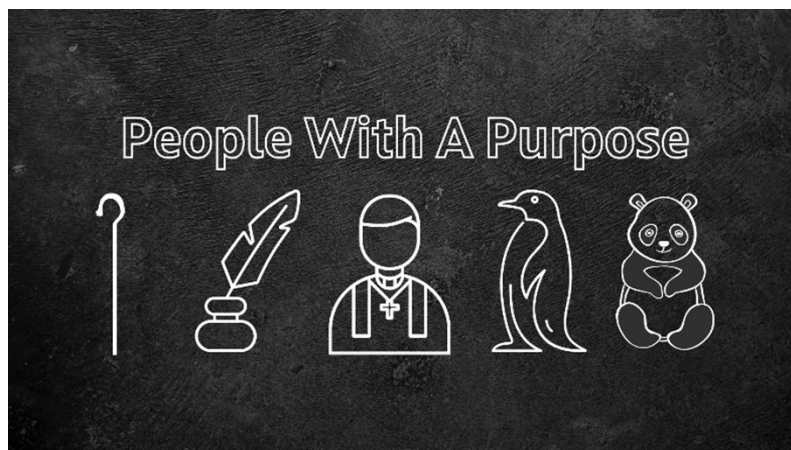
Panda: *Leaving a lasting Impact*

Matthew 7:24-27

May 23

Pentecost: *Making it all possible*

Acts 2:1-11



- Blessings, Michael

Summer Planning – Your Help is Needed!

As the Easter season comes upon us, the days become longer and the temperatures slowly rise, we are already beginning our summer planning for worship at Central. And you can help us out. Please answer these four (4) simple questions with a much or little detail as you wish and email me your responses! Or just answer the one(s) you want to. We will use your responses in our planning! Blessings...

- 1) What are your favorite things to do in the summer? Favorite summer activities?
- 2) What is your favorite summer vacation spot?
- 3) What is a scripture that always gives you HOPE?
- 4) What is your favorite Psalm?



Nursery Reminder

We want to serve you and your children well here at Central Christian Church!
Please adhere to the updated nursery procedures. Thank you.



Please follow these guidelines to ensure safety and wellness.

- Children must be checked in at West Entrance.
- Adhere to correct sign-in & sign-out procedures.
- Masks required by all persons two years old & older.
- Only one parent admitted into nursery for drop off & pick up.
- No siblings admitted who are not of nursery age.
- No personal toys, book, puzzles, or snacks.
- Only pre-packaged, nursery-provided snacks and drinks.
- Baby bottles with liquid are permitted for infants.

Thank you for cooperating.

We hope to serve you while remaining safe and healthy.

OPEN NURSERY CARE STAFF POSITION

Are you happy, energetic, and patient? Do you have good communication skills? If so, I have the perfect opportunity for you! We are looking for individuals who want to engage with infants and toddlers as part of our nursery care staff. The position includes minimal hours (five to twelve hours per month): perfect for college students. Please pass this along to anyone who might be a good fit for the position. Send 'resume' to: Tina Miller (tmiller@cccdisciples.org) Thanks in advance!



Sunday (18)

Faith Quest Baptisms

- 8:00-Traditional Worship, Sanctuary & Live Stream
- 9:15-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall & Facebook Live
- 10:30-Traditional Worship, Sanctuary & Live Stream
- 4:00-Youth Group

Monday (19)

- 5:30-VBS Overview, Great Hall

Tuesday (20)

- 7:00-Journeymen, Connection Café
- 9:00-Christcare Stitchers, 207
- 5:00-Trustees, Disciples Room

Wednesday (21)

- 10:30-Ministers' Meeting
- 5:30-Church Council Business Meeting

Thursday (22)

- 10:00-Alanon, Disciples Room
- 4:00-Journeymen 2, Connection Café
- 5:15-Brass Choir, Disciples Room
- 5:30-Koinonia, Connection Café

Friday (23)

Saturday (24)

- 9:00-Millikin Univ. Clean Up Day

Sunday (25)

- 8:00-Traditional Worship, Sanctuary & Live Stream
- 9:15-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall & Facebook Live
- 10:30-Traditional Worship, Sanctuary & Live Stream
- 4:00-Youth Group



Happy Birthday!! (4/18—4/24)!

Ed Adams, Paula Hovey,
Maxine Koenig, Madison Larrick,
Kim Maple, Marilyn Mertz,
Alex Otis, Don Swallow,
Rev. Amy Zietlow

Counting On You

Sunday, April 11, 2021

Total worshipping online = 279

Total worshipping in-person = 170



Sunday, April 18th, 2021

7:45-9:30 teams

Front table: Donna Dash, Carolyn Sunderlik

Ushers: Karma Lynn Carpenter, David Martin

9:30-11:30 teams

Front table: Paul Gorden, Brett Swallow

Ushers: David Martin, Doug Soebbing

Elders: Kevin Miller, David York

PA: 8:00 Pat Penhallegon

10:30 Mike Kirby

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Andrew Evans.....Caretaker
Toby Jones.....Caretaker



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Monday through Friday

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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