



Central Christian Church



**(Disciples of Christ)
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Recovery Central !!!

In one of the most exciting decisions in recent history, the Church Board approved a pilot project to launch a recovery ministry here at Central Christian Church. It officially began on January 1, 2018.

This is a modest but meaningful effort to be a visible advocate for Recovery in Daviess County and to coordinate with other nearby efforts to better serve our community.

Recovery efforts are primarily focused on those who are seeking help to manage their lives through and after active addiction or abuse of alcohol, drugs and other behaviors that are compulsive and destructive. We hope to identify existing recovery groups and identify additional support groups that may be needed.

We have hired Rev. Dan Sherar to provide a few hours each week in order to establish us as a support center or resource center for people interested in recovery in the area. His goals are simple but significant:

- to accumulate information that can help people in recovery find financial, medical and spiritual support
- to help people locate various recovery meetings
- to build a coalition among local churches and community organizations to better serve the recovery population
- to promote the importance of providing support to recovering persons, and
- to create greater visibility for the work of Central Christian Church in this matter.

Suppose a family member is concerned about the apparent behavior of a loved one and needs more information and resources. We hope that they will call our Recovery Central and we can provide some personal attention and printed resources to help them get started.

Suppose a recovering person is trying to rebuild her life and just doesn't know where to begin. We hope to provide information on the various community organizations that might be able to help with clothes, food, and possibly rent or utilities. Our funding does not include those kind of resources at present, but we hope to be a clearly visible ministry that can help someone find what they need.

Ideally, there will come a day in the near future when two members of the community are having a conversation about someone they are worried about – and they will think of Recovery Central as a good place to begin. Can you hear their conversation: “There is this thing they are doing at Central Christian Church that can help!”

Email us at:
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John

VISIT OUR WEB SITE

<http://www.centralchristiandoc.org>

Thank you so much to Sally Christie who works on the web site, she does a great job. Please check our WEB page.

Sally and Alan Christie are also playing a big role in recording the messages each Sunday and in providing leadership for the media ministry. They help design the weekly service as it appears on the screen each Sunday and then help present the results during the service.

Because of their efforts, Reverend Dunn's messages are now on the web page, just click on the YouTube link to see a recent message.



On December 20, 2017 Federal Order of Eagles Auxiliary #414 Presented a grant check for \$1500 for Backpack Food for Kids Program. CCC wants to thank the FOE for this generous grant.

Pictured above: Pam & Larry Lagle, Brenda Nesler (President of FOE Auxiliary 414) , Debbie Breeden

January Calendar of Events

CWF MEETING

Tuesday January 2nd @7pm

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday January 9th @7:30pm

CCC WORK DAY

*Saturday January 13th @8:00am
Meet in the Friendship Room for coffee,
donuts and fellowship.*

*Focus Groups will announce when they
will meet.*

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JUBILEE CHRISTMAS

Jubilee Christmas on Monday December 11, 2017 went very well. CCC wants to thank everyone who helped by volunteering to host, wrap, work in kitchen and so many other needs. The event was a success and CCC wants to thank Sally Christie for doing a great job coordinating the event.

Central is a Site Church and other Churches partner with us to make event even better.

CCC also wants to thank everyone who took a bulb off the tree to buy gifts or donate funds for the needy children.

BACKPACK FOOD FOR KIDS

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH wants to thank the businesses and individuals who donated in response to the letters sent out and donations so far this year through the efforts of the Backpack Committee. Thank you for all your hard work for this great ministry.

- Grant from REMC
- National Circle Daughters of Isabella
- United Way of Daviess County
- Old National Bank
- Twentieth Century Chevy, Inc
- Alan Bubalo
- Donaldson & Sellers
- Washington Chrysler Center
- Jones & Sons
- Boyd Grain
- Omer Chiropractic Lifestyle Center
- Daviess Community Foundation Grant \$8368
- Federal Order of Eagles #414
- Grant from FOE Auxiliary #414 \$1500

Backpack Food for Kids Program has funds to make it to the end of the school year thanks to all above and CCC members.

THANK YOU

CCC Family;

From our family to our extended family. Thank you so much for the flowers and donations. Also for the food and prayers. Your support and prayers helped carry us through the most difficult time of our lives.

Love-Mattes & Stuckey Families

During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us.

Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

Thank you; Larry, Rachel, Rebecca Mattes, Sarah Stuckey and all the Kids.

CCC wants to thank Jasper Engines & Transmissions . Each year they send CCC a check for Helping Hands. (From Letter)

Dear Pastor;

With all the hustle and bustle of the season, we do not want to lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas, the Birth of Christ Our Savior.

Jasper's 2100+ Associates would like to Thank You and Your Members for their work. Enclosed is \$150 as a token of our appreciation. We request this money be used for something other than a budgetary item, possibly something educational, helping a family by buying food or clothing, or helping someone in need.

THANK YOU

Thank you for the Christmas money gift. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and kindness. I enjoy helping with the music at Central Christian Church. Best Wishes in 2018! God Bless

Sincerely, Kim Hickman



Central Christian Church is building!!

We are building on our spirit of welcome and acceptance. We are building on the grace of God that has called us into ministry together. We are building on the love that brings healing and hope to us and the whole world.

In its November 2017 Meeting, our Church Board accepted as its Mission statement the powerful phrase:

We Welcome All – and All Means ALL

This is meant to be more than the typical “Everyone Welcome” signs that you see outside most churches. This is the first step toward a more focused effort to try and show God’s radical hospitality to neighbors, friends and strangers alike. It’s a statement that promises that we will be trying to love our neighbors as ourselves – and to put the first last and the last first.

We will be building on the love we have known and shown our entire congregational life. Thank you in advance for your prayers, advice and encouragement as we try to build a congregation that puts the needs of others above our own. Can you imagine a church that has the same spirit as Jesus embodied? Let’s see what it can look like!

Welcome

Scripture Readings:

Looking for inspiration?

Week of January 7

Psalm 31:1—8
SU Job 1:1a; 2:1-13
M Job 3:1—26
TU Job 5:1—27
W Job 7:1—21
TH Job 19:13—29
F Job 23:1—17
SA Job 29:1—15

Week of January 14

Psalm 32
SU Mark 1:35—39
M Mark 1:40—45
TU Mark 2:1—12
W Mark 2:13—17
TH Mark 2:18—22
F Mark 2:23—28
SA Mark 3:1—6

Week of January 21

Psalm 47
SU Job 38:1—23
M Job 40:6—14
TU Job 42:1-6, 10-11, 17
W Proverbs 1:20—33
TH Proverbs 2:1—15
F Proverbs 3:1—12
SA Proverbs 3:21—35

Week of January 28

Psalm 147:1—11
SU Mark 3:7—12
M Mark 3:13—19a
TU Mark 3:19b—30
W Mark 3:31—35
TH Mark 4:1—9
F Mark 4:10—20
SA Mark 4:21—25

Our Stewardship Answers God’s Call to our Mission

2017 Budget Requirement Averages \$1306 Weekly

Tithes & Offerings

November 12 - \$1140	December 10 - \$1525
November 19 - \$1341	December 17 - \$1451
November 26 - \$936	December 24 - \$829
December 3 - \$1240	December 31 - \$1767

We celebrate every dollar as a witness to the love and grace of God at work among us.

We also received generous contributions in recent weeks for special ministries like:

Our Backpack Ministry, the Powerhouse Meals, Week of Compassion in response to recent hurricanes, and the children’s “Milk Bottle” gifts that help families in the Congo.

Financial Highlights

Your generous giving continues to keep up with our budget needs—and our spending remains frugal and appropriate to our situation.

Your faithful giving and God’s extraordinary grace allows us to make a positive impact on the world. Not only can we rest assured that normal expenses are managed well, but we can look at opportunities to make an even bigger impact on our world.

On Sunday, November 5 we saw yet another sign of the faithfulness and generosity among us—when so many of you responded to our Children’s Moment and the children’s invitation for you to help with our ministry to the Congo. Your \$51.10 will be a blessing to the Congo but it also speaks loudly to our own children who saw your faithfulness at work right before their eyes.

Thank you for that great sign of life among us!

JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS

15- Judy Singleton
18 –Dan Sherar
19- April Breeden
28- Renee Doscher
29- Lisa Bland
31 – Benjamin Tucker Woods

ANNIVERSARIES

1 – Jim and Carolyn Mangin
9 – Josh and Katie Snow
11 - Lon & Ranita McMurtrey
19 - Richard & Wilma Osha

If we don't have your birthday or anniversary listed (or if its incorrect) please call or email the church office.

Scheduled to Serve in

Elders: Debbie Breeden & Larry Mattes

Deacons: Lisa Bland, Anthony Doscher,
Jake Fox, Zane Archer

Communion Prep: The Mattes Family

Greeters:

January 7: Terry & Stella Keifer

January 14: Dennis & Jackie Breeden

January 21: The Mattes Family

January 28: Anthony & Renee Doscher



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