



the Clarion



of Central Christian Church (DOC)

October 2013

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Rebecca's Revelation >>>

"Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price..."

(Isaiah 55:1)

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ. If you have never had the opportunity to see the 1987 film *Babbette's Feast* I strongly urge you to do so (or perhaps it could be a Sunday school event...) Even with sub-titles it is easy to follow and a great story.

Babbette Hersant comes to a small, remote village along the coast in 19th century Denmark. A refugee from counter-revolutionary Paris, she knocks on the door of two elderly sisters with a letter of recommendation from a mutual acquaintance. Babbette becomes housekeeper and cook for the two, serving modestly and gradually easing their lives and the lives of others in the village for the next fourteen years.

One day Babbette hears that she has won a lottery. Instead of using the money to return to her former life in Paris, she spends the entire 10,000 francs on a meal for the sisters and the small congregation founded by their pastor father on the occasion of what would have been the minister's 100th birthday. More than a meal, this event is an outpouring of the French woman's appreciation. An act of self-sacrifice, she tells no one she is spending her entire winnings on the feast.

As strange, never-before-seen ingredients begin to arrive and Babbette starts preparations for the dinner, the sisters worry the meal will become a sin of sensual luxury. The sisters and their guests agree to eat the food, but to forego speaking or displaying the slightest bit of pleasure in it!

With the surprise arrival of one of the sister's long-ago suitors (who knows that Babbette was once one of the most famous chefs in Paris) and Babbette's own extravagant gifts made manifest in the incredible and delicious dishes she has created, the distrust and superstitions of the gathered 12 begin to break down. Old wrongs are forgotten, ancient loves are rediscovered, and a beautiful spirit settles over everyone in the house. Those gathered are transformed physically and spiritually.

When it is revealed that Babbette has spent all the money she has won on this dinner, one of the sisters says, "Now you will be poor the rest of your life;" to which the French woman replies, "An artist is never poor."

What an amazing example of generosity, extravagance, creativity, and love! This movie evokes the kinds of emotions I feel as I watch CCC prepare and host bereavement dinners for grieving loved ones and friends, as the congregation works together to give our larger community experiences like our Jonah Fish Fry and Music and Chocolate, and as we come to the communion table every week to remember our Lord's death, celebrate his resurrection, and give thanks to God for the many ways Christ's spirit comes to us still.

World Communion Sunday is October 6. See you then...and why not invite someone you know who may be hungry and thirsty for God's love and grace?

"God calls Central Christian Church to be a welcoming and open faith community where Christian love, action, and discipleship unite."

Vision Statement of Central Christian Church (DOC), Terre Haute, IN

Rev. Rebecca



This Month's Servants >>>

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the office. Thank You.

Elders Serving

- Oct 6 - Betsy Hine, Sherrie Mansfield
- Oct 13 - Erica West, Kathy Ocampo
- Oct 20 - None Noted
- Oct 27- Erica West

Deacons

- Oct 6 - None Noted
- Oct 13 - None Noted
- Oct 20 - None Noted
- Oct 27- None Noted

**Schedules
are posted
Please
remember
to sign-up.**

Counters

- Oct 6 - Richard Hunt, Kathy Ocampo, Mary Jo Brown
- Oct 13 - David Rose, Nikki Brueggeman
- Oct 20 - Carroll Vasbinder, Twyla Edinburgh
- Oct 27- Melanie Hurst, Kathy Ocampo

Greeter for October

Melanie Hurst & Twyla Edinburgh

Prayer cards for October

None Noted

Attendance pads for October

Melanie Hurst & Twyla Edinburgh

Average Attendance -Last four Sundays (Previous four Sundays): 68 (51)

Budget (Previous four Sundays)

Amount Needed to Meet Budget:

\$14,547.00

Total Monthly Offering: \$ 10,719.15
(12,202.62)

Unified Budget: \$ 9,514.40 (11,337.22)



prayer list >>>

A new Prayer List is started on a quarterly basis. You may submit names for the Prayer List by filling out a Prayer Request form located in the Pew Pads and placing it in an offering plate.

- Nannette Kaiser
- Molly Kaiser
- Walter Moore
- The Krockenberger Family
- Denise Wilson
- Family of Esther Friend
- Family of Tom Davis
- Vernice Rogers
- Julianne Huey
- Helen McGee
- David Ewoldsen & his son
Jonathan
- Kenny McClain & Family
- Johnny Manning
- Victor & Carol Mullen
- Mary Beth Mullen's son
- Stacey Whitley & Family

All teachers, students, administrators and support staff.

- Diane Manning
- Marcie Dierdorf & Family
- Cindy Wondra
- Melissa Bertalan
- Danny Stultz
- Leslee Ann Maynard
- Ramon DeLa Cruz
- Harold Blackwood
- John Mealey
- Donna Curley
- Grady & Marissa Hill
- Jackie Reed
- Jordan & Devin Klaeger
- Family & Friends of
Hannah Crist
- Father Bernard Head

The Clarion...

is published the last Wednesday of the month unless the last Wednesday of the month is also the last day of the month, in which case, publication will occur the Wednesday prior. *The deadline is always the Wednesday before publication at 10AM.*

Deadline for the bulletin is Tuesday mornings at 10AM.

Our Church Family

Please report items for Our Church Family to the church office. In addition to the prayer list on page 2, please remember the following in your prayers.

With deep sadness we grieve the loss of **Hannah Crist** who died on September 13, 2013. We pray for **Frank and Sharon Crist, Adam, Kristie, and Sophie Crist**, and all of Hannah's family and friends. We will remember this beautiful young lady who was full of life and very talented every time we see the angel lights dancing on the ceiling during communion.

Shirley Britton as she continues to regain her strength and prepares to go home from Meadows Manor North.

Diana Chavis as she deals with the after-effects of a long bout with pneumonia.

Joan Dart as she deals with ongoing pain and complications from arthritis and other medical concerns.

Paul and Phyllis Myers as Phyllis deals with concerns about mobility.

Twyla Edinburgh and Melanie Hurst as they move into their new home and hope to sell their former home QUICKLY.

Sandy Lang as she waits to hear about housing after

an apartment fire this past summer.

Jerry and Dianne Mansfield

Dori Marshall as she tackles New Testament Greek this semester at Christian Theological Seminary and as she continues her new ministry with Church of the Savior in Indianapolis.

Zachariah Mathew and **Ancy's** new nephew, **Johann**, who was born at 5 pounds with an infection.

David Rose's brother, **Mark Rose**, as he deals with the after-effects of a grand mal seizure and works with his doctor on the best dosage of medication needed.

Tom Russell and Holly Rudolph as Tom recovers from quadruple by-pass surgery he had on September 6.

Andrew Waugh, son of Kristie Allen and Mechell Waugh, will be seeing a specialist at Riley Children's Hospital on September 30 in preparation for an upcoming surgery.

A number of Central's members and friends have returned to school this fall.

Please keep **Nick Aballi, Karie Tharp, and Sarah Wilson** in your prayers, as well as our other college students.

With great joy we welcomed **Mary "Ginger" Monette** and **Austin Morley** as our newest members on Sunday, September 22, 2013!

Congratulations to **Anna Grady** and **James Davison** who will be married on May 24, 2014 in Chicago!

Congratulations to **Jo Anne Seybold** at the birth of her granddaughter, Clara Rebecca Richardson on August 27, 2013. Clara weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 21 inches long. Mom, Sarah, and Dad, Dustin, are also doing very well.



Health, Religion, and Spirituality >>>

The Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Health, Religion, and Spirituality. November 7-9th, 2013 at the Landsbaum Center for Health Education, Terre Haute IN

The Annual Interdisciplinary Conference examines the effects of religious and spiritual practices and beliefs on individual and collective well-being. The theme for this year's conference:

Why Study Spirituality?

Featured speakers: Saul Boyarsky, M.D., J.D., Robert Emmons, Ph.D., Rev. Katherine James Klemstine, D. Min., Ralph Piedmont, Ph.D.

Call (812) 237-2464 for more information or to register.

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Please Remember...

Due to Patient Privacy Laws, hospitals are no longer able to contact congregations or pastors if a church member is admitted for treatment. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please call the church office or Rev. Rebecca.

Celebrating with God on All Saints & Consecration Sunday >>>

On Sunday, November 3, we will observe two special celebrations in the life of the church. First, we will give thanks and honor the memory of loved ones who have died - especially those who have passed to us a wonderful legacy of faith and life lessons. The memory book lists those who have passed. If you have lost loved ones in the past year, please update prior to All Saints Day Nov 3. The book will be put out on Oct 6. As we prepare for communion, the names of loved ones will be read aloud as we come forward and light candles.



Second, we will give thanks for the ministry and mission we have already accomplished in 2013 and bring our financial pledges to God for 2014. The word "consecrate" means to set aside as holy, to devote something for sacred use. On this Sunday we will consecrate the pledges we make in Christ's name and rejoice that God invites us – us! – to do ministry in the world.

BOUNCE BACK INTO CKC! >>>

Our first meeting this year will be at the Bouncin' Barn on Sunday, October 13. We will meet there at 1:00pm. The cost is \$7.50 per child. You might want to send money for a drink or snack. All bouncers are required to wear socks. There is a nice waiting area and no charge for adults who stay with the children. We will plan to end about 3:00pm, but children who have adults with them are welcome to stay as long as they wish. Hope to see everyone there!

Our next meeting will be on November 10 at the church. We will meet from noon to 1:30 pm.

Theresa Vaughn
812-229-8089

World Communion Sunday >>>

Sunday (October 6, 2013)

World Communion Sunday offers congregations an opportunity to experience Holy Communion with the global community of faith. The first Sunday of October has become a time when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the Head of the Church. On that day, we remember that we are part of the *whole* body of believers.

This year Central Christian will focus on the Congo. In May 2008, a delegation of nine Indiana Disciples, including Indiana Regional Minister Rick Spleth and General Minister and President Sharon

Watkins, traveled to the Democratic Republic of Congo. On this trip, a mission partnership between the Christian Church in

Indiana, the Mbandaka District of the Community of Disciples of Christ in Congo (CDCC) and Global Ministries was born.

Speaker for the day will be Toni Colbert

and she will give the sermon as well as speak to the Adult Sunday School class. Ms. Valentine Mulyumba will be doing the Children's Moment and she will be teaching the children a song in her native language. Several Congolese students from ISU will also be participating in the service.



Youth Group Needs Help >>>

The youth group has been offered some furniture and household items by someone who is moving, and they would LOVE to be able to store those items until their youth garage sale in the spring. This would be really helpful for funding their work trip to New Orleans next summer. If there is anyone who has room to store furniture and household items please contact Shelly Manning (466-9466) or Phil Ewoldsen 466-6898.

THANK YOU,
The Youth Group



The 10th Annual Evening of Music and Chocolate

featuring

*Dr. Jimmy Finnie with the ISU Steel
Band and Percussion Ensemble*

Saturday, November 9, 2013

*Central Christian Church (DOC) 4950 East Wabash, Terre Haute, IN
47803*

*Advance tickets are \$15.00, at the door \$18.00
Admission includes a drink and one full dessert serving*

*To reserve your place, please call (812) 877-9959 or (812) 234-3690
or see any member of the Central Christian choir.*

*Desserts generously donated by area businesses.
Proceeds go to the music ministry of Central Christian Church and
United Campus Ministries.*

Substitutes Needed >>>

The Christian Education Committee is looking for people who would be interested in substitute teaching in our children and youth classes. If you are interested please contact Phil Ewoldsen (466-6898)

Jonah Fish Fry a Great Success!!! >>>

Our 22nd annual Jonah Fish Fry was a success with a total of \$1,595 being raised for the church after the expense for our ad/coupon in the Tribune-Star (which resulted in 39 people bringing in coupons to purchase meals) and 10% being donated to United Campus Ministries.

Your Koinonia ministry team would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone. Whether you purchased and donated canned goods or other supplies or made monetary donations to help defray the cost of these items, created and printed tickets, helped set up tables and chairs, worked during the day and/or evening of the fish fry, donated dessert/s, sold

a big advantage in sales with their sweet faces asking people if they would like to buy a dessert. We also extend a big thank you to our Communications ministry team for the wonderful flyer they prepared and posting info on our web site about the fish fry along with a coupon, of which 3 were turned in that evening. We have a wonderful website and by advertising it as part of our fish fry publicity it gave the public an opportunity to view our website. Who knows? We may have more visitors at Central because they were impressed by our facility and our members/friends working that night or because of our terrific web site that details everything Central has to offer.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

advance tickets, promoted the event with public service announcements and newspaper articles, updated our web site with info on the fish fry, hung up flyers to advertise the event, put up the fish fry sign, volunteered to play the piano to provide wonderful dinner music, stayed and helped clean up the kitchen, put away the tables/chairs, vacuumed, hauled away the trash, prayed for the success of the event, or etc. etc. etc. *we thank you so very much.*

There are too many people to mention everyone's name for fear of leaving someone out but we want to extend a very special thank you to Shirley Britton, who has been dealing with health issues, but still wanted to come and play for the fish fry as she has done so many years in the past. We also had some new first time volunteers this year with our elementary youth who helped sell desserts all evening. The sale of the desserts brought in over \$190 of the total profit and these bright youngsters added

The value of the canned goods, paper products, etc. you donated was valued at \$600+ dollars and your generous contributions certainly increased the profit to the church from this important annual fundraiser.

The fish fry couldn't happen every year without the combined efforts of all the generous people here at Central. We are blessed to have a congregation that always pitches in and helps. The funds raised from this important event help fund the budgetary needs for the Koinonia Ministry team with its responsibility for the evangelistic, membership and fellowship activities here at Central. It is also a wonderful way for us to provide a financial contribution to United Campus Ministry.

Thanks again,

Your Koinonia Ministry Team

In response to significant flooding that took place in Alaska in May, FEMA is coordinating the logistics to support mission teams aiding in the recovery. Many communities were affected when a late spring thaw led to a 30-mile ice jam on the Yukon River and a similar event on the Koyukuk River. Because of the Disciples' growing presence in responding to large domestic disasters and our response in Eagle, Ak., four years ago, Disciples Volunteering was contacted to assist with the recovery. Disciples are responding in two separate communities, Galena and Hughes. Three of Disciples Volunteering's Long Term Volunteers recently spent two weeks in Galena repairing and rebuilding homes that were damaged in the flooding. They worked in teams with ecumenical partners to get the work done.

Because of our willingness to put that small team together, the FEMA Voluntary Agency Liaison coordinating faith-based team responses was back in touch to see if we could help in Hughes. Galena was among the most heavily damaged, which is why it received early attention and has been the focus of a broad ecumenical



response. The major damage in Hughes is limited to about a half-dozen homes, so it was FEMA's desire to utilize one team for the recovery. In addition, responding in Hughes required an even more specific skill set: a person was needed who could first travel to Hughes, a Native American community, to assess the homes in need of repair, and then lead a crew to complete the work.

In this remarkable partnership, FEMA is procuring tools, coordinating material deliveries, and providing invitational travel (arranging for commercial flights through Fairbanks and for charter plane travel in and out of Hughes and Galena). In Galena, a housing camp was established that can accommodate up to 60 people at a time and meals are being provided by the community. In Hughes, the conditions are rougher; but a small community hall was designated for folks to sleep in and, while the team is cooking its own meals, food was purchased and transported to Hughes by the State of Alaska.

A THANK YOU from Frank & Sharon>>>

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of you here at Central Christian for the outpouring of love, prayers and support you gave us as we dealt with the loss of our beautiful precious granddaughter Hannah. We were so touched and have felt wrapped in the love of your prayers and concern for our family. You are a congregation of the most caring people we could ever hope to know.

We are so blessed to be members of such a wonderful close and caring congregation. We want to thank Rev. Rebecca for being there for us through all of this difficult time and for the beautiful words she spoke as she began the opening

portion of the funeral. It was obvious to everyone present how much Hannah had meant to her and our church. Thanks to all of you for the wonderful dinner back at Central afterwards, the flowers, planters and donations to Central and the Salvation Army in Hannah's memory. We know many of you had to take time off from work and everyone just went above and beyond in reaching out to help us during this tragic loss.

Thanks for everything.

In Christian love,
Frank & Sharon Crist

ACTIVE ADULTS DINNER >>>

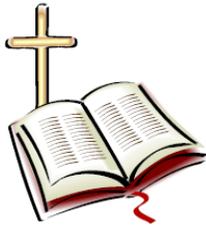
The October event for the Active Adult group will be going out to dinner at Pappy's Barbeque at 111 E. National Ave. in Brazil at 6:30 p.m. on Friday Oct. 18th. Everyone enjoyed their meal there last spring and several people mentioned they would like to go back again.

Any interested persons are invited to join us for these fun monthly dinners/events. It provides a great opportunity for everyone to visit and get to know each other better.

Please sign up at the information center by Sunday Oct. 13th if you can join us on for this fun evening so we'll know how many to confirm for our reservation.

Thanks,

Your Koinonia Ministry Team



Daily Lectionary

October 2013

*These lectionary readings are from A Daily Lectionary: Scripture Readings for Every Day Based on the New Common Lectionary. Please share this resource with members of your church. *The readings listed for Sundays are from the UCC Desk Calendar and are not part of the daily lectionary cycle.*

Day	Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Epistle
Tue.	Oct. 1	Joel 1:15-2:11	Luke 14:1-11	Romans 2:17-24
Wed.	Oct. 2	Joel 2:12-19	Luke 14:12-24	Romans 2:25-26
Thu.	Oct. 3	Joel 2:21-27	Luke 14:25-35	Romans 2:27-3:18
Fri.	Oct. 4	Joel 2:28-3:8	Luke 15:1-10	Romans 3:19-31
Sat.	Oct. 5	Joel 3:9-17	Luke 15:11-32	Romans 4:1-12
*Sun.	Oct. 6	Lamentations 1:1-6	Luke 17:5-10	2 Timothy 1:1-14
Mon.	Oct. 7	Micah 1:1-9	Luke 16:1-9	Romans 4:13-18
Tue.	Oct. 8	Micah 2:1-13	Luke 16:10-18	Romans 4:19-25
Wed.	Oct. 9	Micah 3:1-8	Luke 16:19-31	Romans 5:1-5
Thu.	Oct. 10	Micah 3:9-4:5	Luke 17:1-10	Romans 5:6-11
Fri.	Oct. 11	Micah 5:1-4, 10-15	Luke 17:11-19	Romans 5:12-21
Sat.	Oct. 12	Micah 6:1-8	Luke 17:20-37	Romans 6:1-11
*Sun.	Oct. 13	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	Luke 17:11-19	2 Timothy 2:8-15
Mon.	Oct. 14	Micah 7:1-7	Luke 18:1-8	Romans 6:12-19
Tue.	Oct. 15	Micah 7:8-20	Luke 18:9-14	Romans 6:20-23
Wed.	Oct. 16	Habakkuk 1:1-17	Luke 18:13-30	Romans 7:1-6
Thu.	Oct. 17	Habakkuk 2:1-11	Luke 18:31-43	Romans 7:7-12
Fri.	Oct. 18	Habakkuk 2:12-20	Luke 19:1-10	Romans 7:13-20
Sat.	Oct. 19	Habakkuk 3:1-10 (11-19)	Luke 19:11-27	Romans 7:21-25
*Sun.	Oct. 20	Jeremiah 31:27-34	Luke 18:1-8	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Mon.	Oct. 21	Proverbs 6:1-19	Luke 19:28-40	Romans 8:1-8
Tue.	Oct. 22	Proverbs 7:1-27	Luke 19:41-48	Romans 8:9-17
Wed.	Oct. 23	Proverbs 9:1-12	Luke 20:1-8	Romans 8:18-25
Thu.	Oct. 24	Proverbs 10: 1-12	Luke 20:9-18	Romans 8:26-30
Fri.	Oct. 25	Zephaniah 1:1-9	Luke 20:19-26	Romans 8:31-39
Sat.	Oct. 26	Zephaniah 1:10-18	Luke 20:27-40	Romans 9:1-5
*Sun.	Oct. 27	Joel 2:23-32	Luke 18:9-14	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Mon.	Oct. 28	Proverbs 15:16-33	Luke 20:41-21:4	Romans 9:6-13
Tue.	Oct. 29	Proverbs 17:1-20	Luke 21:5-19	Romans 9:14-18
Wed.	Oct. 30	Proverbs 21:30-22:6	Luke 21:20-28	Romans 9:19-27
Thu.	Oct. 31	Proverbs 23:19-21, 29-24:2	Luke 21:29-38	Romans 9:28-33

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
October		1 6PM Worship Mtg 6PM Men's Group Mtg	2 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal	3	4	5	
	6 12N Elders Mtg	7 9AM Bible Study 10:30AM Comunion @ Bethesda 10AM-3PM Eastern Star (Using church)	8	9 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal	10	11	
	13 Blessing of the Animals	14 9AM Bible Study 	15	16 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal	17	18 6:30PM Active Adults @ Pappy's BBQ in Brazil	
	20 12:30PM General Board Retreat @ Shakamak	21 9AM Bible Study 6:15 Communication Mtg	22 6:30PM CWF Meeting at Church	23 10AM Clarion Deadline 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal		25	26 9AM Men's Group Playground Work Day
	27 Youth Week Begins	28 9AM Bible Study	29	30 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal	31	2013	

Birthdays

1-Joy Klikeman
5-Maryssa Hill
5-Terri Cole
5-Richard Willey
8-Melissa Wilson
10-Kyle Volkers
10-Sandra Lang
12-Patti Brownson
17-Jane M Siebenmorgen

17-Tom Russell
18-Dalton Gonthier
18-Brock Gonthier
19-Ray Ripple
23-Rebecca Zelensky
23-Phil Beckelhymmer
24-Brian Dooley
27-Frank Stewart Volkers
29-David Roberts
30-Mary Jo Brown

30-Colton Minger

Anniversaries

2-David & Nancy Troyer
7-Kathy Ocampo & Joe West
8-Ray & Mary Beth Ripple
9-Marsha & Bill McQueary
15-Sally Leonard & Karie Tharp

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(Nursery for Infants &
Toddlers Open 9 AM -
12 Noon)
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Ages 11 AM

Don't Forget...

Reconciliation Offering >>>



The **2013 Reconciliation Offering** will be received in congregations on **October 6th**. The Special Offering is used to fund our Church's mission priority to become an pro-reconciling/anti-racist church through experiential education, inclusive worship and intentional dialogue across racial/ethnic difference.

Funds from this offering are providing for leadership development in our camps, our communities and our congregations as well as providing resources to promote small group study and community-action. Your giving is changing lives and building hope for realm of God for our children and for Christ's Church!

