



the Clarion

of Central Christian Church (DOC)

July 2016

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Erica's prayer—Homecoming Sunday 2016

Dear God,

2000 years ago, amid the grandeur that was the Roman Empire, a child was born beneath a star under conditions that were less than perfect from a medical standpoint. This child would go on to write the next chapter of a religion that was already a few millennia old by that time. Because of this kid from the middle of nowhere, Christianity was born. With these generous donations today, we keep it alive and the story continues.

But like our own spiritual ancestors, Lord, we can drift over time. Eighteen hundred years after its founding, your church that had been built on kindness, understanding, and acceptance contained many branches that had warped into hotbeds of exclusion. This occurred despite logic, reason and the Bible telling them to do otherwise.

God, our church was made with the pioneering spirit of 1840's America and we keep it this day, embracing whatever adventure comes next. We were founded by the brave. We were founded by those who dared to say "no". When God said all are welcome at his table, he didn't mean only all who knew the right prayers, or only all who look and act exactly like everyone else in the congregation. He meant ALL.

Lord, you would not send your only son to die on a cross just so we could pass the divine ISTEP. You want us to live and understand, not hear and mindlessly repeat on command. God, with your help and some knowledge we will live long and prosper, just like we have for the past 175 years.

Amen.

"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



Serving...

GREETERS

Marsha McQueary

PRAYER CARDS

Marsha McQueary

ATTENDANCE PADS

Marsha McQueary

COUNTERS

July 3

**Twyla Edinburgh
Richard Hunt
Melanie Hurst**

July 10

Mary Jo Brown

July 17

**Kathy Ocampo
Carroll Vasbinder**

July 24

**Carol Sloan
David Rose**

July 31

David Rose

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.*

Harold Blackwood

Diana Chavis

Kevin & Kristen Crist & Family

Randy & Lillie Garloch & Raidon

Martha Gray

Christine Kennedy

Carol Mullen

Matt Mullen

Vic Mullen

Freida Nelson

Jane Ann & Eric Siepman

Sally Leonard & Kari Tharp

Dee Ugo

Penny Wilkinson

Cindy Wondra

Larry Zukokas

Paul & Laura Garverick

Diana Chavis

Richard Hunt

Connie Roquette & Jose

EVANGELISM MINISTRY APPEAL As moderator, I would like to again thank everyone who has served as a deacon, elder, or as a ministry chair. Whether your term has expired, or you have chosen to continue, or you are taking on a new challenge, your dedication to Central is appreciated and valued.

That being said, I want to thank Phil Ewoldsen, specifically, for volunteering to be our Koinonia Evangelism chairperson. This is a huge step for our church. We have needed to separate fellowship from evangelism for a long time, and haven't been able to find a willing chair. Now that we have met that challenge, we need volunteers to serve as part of this ministry. It is too big a responsibility for one man alone! Although Rebecca will be a voice for this ministry, she should not be expected to become the ministry team. I am appealing to all members who are interested in evangelism to step up and join this ministry. Jesus did not spread his word all by himself, he had people (disciples) to depend upon to assist him. We know great things happen when we work together, we need to work together in this as well.

If you are interested in being a part of this important ministry, please let Phil, Rebecca, or myself know as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your support.
Shelly Manning

NEED HELP HEARING SUNDAY WORSHIP?

If you struggle to hear the various voices of our worship leaders, please speak with Jeff Zelensky. Jeff can give you sound amplification headphones, so you need not miss anything as we worship God together.



Congratulations to Carroll Vasbinder on receiving the Golden Hoosier award!

Deadlines...

The deadline for the Clarion is the next-to-last Wednesday of the month at 10AM

Deadline for the bulletin is Tuesday mornings at 10AM.

Our Church Family.....

Serving...

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.

Our Church Family...

Central Christian Church (DOC), Terre Haute, and all our ministries as we continue our 175th Anniversary Year.

Jerusalem Christian Church, Lafayette, LA and all their ministries.

Bettie Davis as she recovers from a recent heart attack. Bettie is currently staying at Meadows Manor North.

Sandy Lang as she deals with issues with her knee.

Christine Kennedy as she has tests for a problem with her esophagus, and as she continues to offer care for her mother.

Easton Kent, a baby who is recovering from a painful surgery on his jaw. Easton's great-grandmother, Judy, is a neighbor of Tammy Beck and Susie Gumm.

Rachael Manning as she travels and performs throughout the summer with the Blue Stars Drum & Bugle Corps.

Ginger Monette as she recovers from surgery.

Phyllis & Paul Myers as Phyllis recovers at home after a recent hospital stay, and as Paul continues daily infusion treatments for his foot.

Doris Pell and her family as Doris recovers from surgery.

Jo Anne Seybold as she continues her recovery and therapy. Please pray for the whole **Seybold family.**

Jane Siebenmorgen as she recovers from lingering pain after a recent case of shingles.

Stephanie Stewart, the granddaughter of Paul & Phyllis Myers, as she deals with a recurrence of cancer.

Traci Tucker's mother, Linda, as she recovers from surgery.

Betsy Wallace's sister-in-law, Norma Eldridge, who is recovering from surgery.

All the people who were injured and all who are grieving after the shootings in Orlando.

We extend our deepest sympathies to:

Toni Johnson & Beth Truax & family at the death of Toni's mother, Mary Heller.

Mary Beth & Sean Mullen at the death of Mary Beth's brother.

Rich & Joy Kennel & family at the death of Rich's mother, Helen Kennel, on June 2.

Angie Hammond & family at the death of Angie's colleague, Kim Heald-Chaplin, who died in a recent plane crash in Parke County.

Due to Patient Privacy Laws, hospitals are no longer able to contact 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.

ELDERS

July 3
Mary Jo Brown
Dianne Mansfield

July 10
Mary Jo Brown

July 17
Mary Jo Brown
Phil Ewoldson

July 24
Mary Jo Brown
David Rose

July 31
Dianne Mansfield
Phil Ewoldson

DEACONS July 3

Prep
Serve
Serve
Serve
Cleanup

None Scheduled

July 10

July 17

July 24

July 31



HATS OFF to..... Everyone who made our 175th Anniversary Celebration Day a wonderful success.

HATS OFF to..... Lorri Ugo and the Holy Cow committee for all the planning and work to make the Holy Cow event a great success. Dorothy Drummond was holder of the winning ticket.



Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ! Thank you, thank you, thank you to all CCC members and friends for making our 175th Anniversary Homecoming Sunday even better than I imagined! Thank you, our Glorious God, for our cup definitely ranneth over (it could be a word)! For all of us who were there, I pray that it will always be a very happy memory.

Of course, we know now, that as Central Christian was celebrating and rejoicing, people across the country were mourning the deaths of 49 people, 53 others were being treated for injuries, and many more were in shock after the traumatic events that took place in the Orlando nightclub, Pulse. I know I was not alone in my sorrow and frustration because of this tragedy; still, I was also filled with hope and pride to be a part of our faith community.

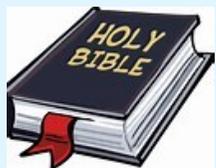
Throughout the week, folks at Central asked one another, "What can we do? What should our response be?" Others contacted me about how to send donations to those in Orlando (Week of Compassion is almost always the first agency I check when something horrific happens). Many of us from CCC gathered with the Sisters of Providence and others in the community for Taize Prayer, where we lifted up all who have been directly affected by the shootings, and we were very well represented at the Candle Light Vigil on the evening of June 15.

The purpose of this special anniversary year was never to simply pat ourselves on the back or "rest on our laurels;" always, we look back on our history to learn and to recall all that God *has* done in order to move forward with ever-greater faithfulness. Our world needs some good news. Our world needs people who are willing to offer healing and ways of peace and love rather than violence and hatred. Our world needs the presence and witness CCC has to offer.

Our year of celebration is not over. We still have so many terrific things planned to mark this incredible milestone. Clearly, there is also much work and ministry to be done because we cannot – and will not – rest until all the world truly is the realm of God.

Peace to you, my sisters and brothers in Christ.

Rev. Rebecca



Get Ready, BIG Readers, for Judges and Ruth

At the end of the book of Joshua, one would think that the conquering of the Promised Land by the Israelites was complete, finished, a done deal. This, however, was not the case. Tribes of Canaanites remained in the land and their worship of Baal, their agriculture god, became a great temptation to the Israelites. The book of Judges records cycle after cycle of God's people turning away from God (apostasy), some horrible thing happening to them (affliction), turning again to God (repentance), a time of rest/peace...and then the whole thing starting again.

It may come as a surprise that the book of Judges is actually about warlords, not people who resolve disputes or make decisions similar to today's "court" cases. Stories of twelve judges are compiled in this seventh book of the Hebrew Scriptures and they are remembered as the defenders of the faith of Israel's God. Each judge is believed to be chosen by God to rescue the whole people. Not surprising is the inclusion of some horrific stories, of people doing horrendous things in the name of God. This should always raise the questions for us, "Is this really what God wanted/wants? Is this the God I know? Is this the kind of God worthy of worship and service? Is this the God revealed in Jesus Christ?"

As Judges has only 21 chapters, I am also adding the beautiful book of Ruth (only 4 chapters) to July's BIG Read schedule. July has 31 days, we have 25 chapters to read...a chapter a day plus time to spare!

May God's Spirit lead and guide us as we make our way through Judges and Ruth.

Rev. Rebecca Zelensky

WORSHIP

Special Music for the Summer of 2016

As our Worship Team has said, the choir will be on “vacation” during the summer and we invite volunteers to contribute their special talents to enhance the worship service during this time. This began May 22 and will go through Sept. 4. If you would like to share a special gift of music – whether vocal or instrumental – please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the Information Center at church or contact Kelly Meyer or Karen Sagraeves. If you require an accompanist, Karen Sagraeves needs to have a copy of the music at least 2 weeks prior. The musical offering should be of a worshipful nature as it will be part of our regular Sunday service. We look forward to hearing from our talented congregation over the summer!

5th Sunday Musicales

This series has really started off with a bang! First the Maurey duo of vocal and piano music was wonderful to kick off January, and then the Aubrey Meyer Family Band gave a rousing and fantastic performance in May! We must have that group back again! Maybe we could twist Patrick’s arm to get that done sometime soon!

The July 5th Sunday Musicale on **July 31** will be another musical treat. The regionally famous *Little Italy Festival Singers* will be entertaining us with traditional Italian songs. And, to top it off, this will be followed by a spaghetti supper! “*Mamma mia!*” You’re going to want to come home early from vacation for this one!

Music, Italian style, that’s what the Italian singers strive to keep alive and have fun while doing it. Since 1972, the Italian Singers have provided an essential part of the Little Italy Festival’s entertainment. Of the original group, three continue: Carmelita Giacoletti, and Jack and Margo Fenoglio. They are now joined by Virginia Toppas, Sonja Vitaniemi, Jo-Ann Jones, Lorena Turchi, Janice Falls, B.J. Abner, John Daniel, Archie and Flavia Poletto, Angelo DiSalvo, Judy Louderman, Mabel Pugh, Dorothy and

Ray Cox, Edith Vignocchi, Diane Scott, and Noreen Bryant.

While many of the singers are of Italian heritage, understanding Italian is not required for becoming a singer. With the help of the Polettos and Dr. Angelo DiSalvo (retired ISU language professor), the Italian words are correctly pronounced (well, most of the time)! The Singers present many harmonious, humorous, and impressive songs in Italian. Favorites are “Volare,” “La Picinina,” “Tic-Toc Polka,” and “Lira Lay” and are included in almost every program. “Return to Sorrento,” “More,” “O Marie” and the Italian national anthem are included in most programs.

Audience participation is always welcome by the Italian Singers and anyone who would like to join the group is welcome. Everyone is urged to join in the “la-la-la” of some of the choruses and clapping along to the music.

Music and food! What fun this is going to be! As they say in Italy, “Cantiamo e mangiamo!” [Let’s sing and eat!] There will be a free will offering to cover the dinner that is being provided by CWF and Active Adults.

Still to keep in mind: Saturday, October 29 is An Evening of Music & Chocolate with Jimmy Finnie and the ISU Steel Drum and Percussion Ensemble. Remember how great this group was a couple of years ago? Well, this year is going to be even better! Get your tickets (\$18 in advance and \$20 at the door) as soon as they are on sale because this will be a sellout! That same weekend, Sunday, October 30, will be the final 5th Sunday Musicale. The Women of Erin will be performing traditional Celtic music. This group has toured extensively and all the reviews say that they are extraordinary performers. Don’t miss the last in this 175th Anniversary year series. More on this group in the October Clarion.

Betsy Hine

Thank you to all who helped with the 175th Anniversary luncheon!! The donations of chicken and other food items helped to provide what I imagine our “founding mothers” would have served a large gathering of church folk. Thank you also to our cake bakers/decorators Sarah and Traci and their extraordinariness, for the beautiful and delicious cake and cupcakes. A special thanks also needs to be given to Frank and Sharon Crist, John and Shelley Manning, Susan Edmondson, Ray Ripple and all those who came early and stayed late to help. A thank you also needs to be given to Elam and Mary Fisher of Harmony Farms for the beautiful flowers. The worship service was wonderful, we fed a host of people, and celebrated our 175th Anniversary in an outrageous way!!

Mary Beth Ripple

**Special Thanks from Your
Koinonia Fellowship Team**

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!!!

Your Koinonia Ministry team and CWF would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped make the dinner after our wonderful 175th anniversary celebration such a success. We greatly appreciate all of your donations of items needed for the meal, your help in preparing the food, quickly transforming the sanctuary into a lovely dining area and then putting away all of the tables and cleaning up after the dinner. We extend a special thanks to the Hines for their contribution of the delicious fried chicken from Baesler's and to Traci Tucker and Sarah Wilson for the beautiful cakes and cupcakes they made and donated. Words can't express what an outstanding day Sunday, June 12th was in the life of Central Christian Church. It was truly a day we'll all remember for years to come.

***Active Adult Group Cookout Planned
Friday, August 5th 6:30 p.m.***

Frank and Sharon Crist will host a cookout at their home for the August Active Adult activity. Anyone who would like to attend is welcome to do so - it's an event for the entire family. Even if you don't normally attend the active adult dinners, we hope you'll join us. It has been a very busy year here in the life of

Central Christian with everyone working so hard preparing for our wonderful 175th anniversary celebration, the Holy Cow Drop, the God Squad Mission Trip and VBS. We can all use an evening where we can sit around a campfire after dinner and relax!

The Crist's will provide the meat, condiments, marshmallows, lemonade and iced tea. Those attending can simply bring either a side dish, salad or dessert **and** a lawn chair.

Please sign up at the information center so the Crist's will know how many people to plan for at the cook-out.

***Jonah Fish Fry – 4-7:30 p.m.
Friday, September 9th***

This year's annual Fish Fry will be the 25th one hosted by our church! This important event is a great way to bring the community into our church and provides financial support for the ministries and missions here at Central with 10% of the proceeds donated to United Campus Ministry each year.

Watch in late July for sign-up sheets for the donation of your time, along with a list of items needed for the fish fry, to be posted. The Koinonia Fellowship Ministry organizes this event, but the team sincerely appreciates your support for our church through your generous donations of canned goods and other supplies needed for a successful fish fry – including your time!

Rachael Manning-Blue Stars Update:

Thank you again for helping Rachael achieve her dream of marching with the Blue Stars Drum Corps International.

She survived "Move Ins". "Move Ins" refers to the crunch time needed to create and polish their show. It was an intense schedule. She had three practice blocks per day. Her day started with 6:30 a.m. wake up and lasted until 10:30-11:00 pm with lights out at midnight. A practice block could last up to six hours, broken by meals and small hydration breaks.

Rachael is a part of the flag corps and is enjoying the challenge it brings since she was predominately a weapon in high school. She is working very hard to stay positive, despite all the challenges this new experience brings.

This past week, Rachael left Forest City, Iowa and traveled to La Crosse, Wisconsin. She will be there for a short period of time and would welcome encouraging thoughts from home. Rachael has posted some photos and short videos pertaining to the Blue Stars on her Facebook page. If you are on Facebook, look for her page.



All participants can receive mail. For this next leg of her journey, letters can be sent to the following address:

Rachael Manning,
Blue Stars Drum and Bugle Corps
P.O. Box 2523
La Crosse, WI 54602

If anyone would want to contribute to a care package, it needs to be sent to this address:

Rachael Manning,
Blue Stars Drum and Bugle Corps,
1100 Kane St. #125A
La Crosse, WI 54603

All mail must be sent via the United States Postal Service and delivered to this address by July 14. She will move on and have a new mailing address after that.

Thank you again for your support, and keep watching and listening for updates!

Shelly Manning

2016—2017 Central Christian Church Board, Elders, and Deacons

Board Officers:

Moderator	Shelly Manning
Vice Moderator	Brenda Waltermire
Secretary	Andrea McColl
Treasurer	Cathy Kurtz

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Worship	Betsy Hine
Christian Education	Theresa Vaughn
Koinonia – Fellowship	Sharon Crist
Koinonia—Evangelism	Phil Ewoldson
Outreach	Mary Jo Brown
Faith & Giving	Doug Sloan
Property	Lorri Ugo
Communications	Melanie Hurst

Elders:

Will Hine	Term ends 2019
Kathy Ocampo	Term ends 2019
Doug Sloan	Term ends 2019
Dinah Vasbinder	Term ends 2018
(Starting Sept. 2016)	
Susan Edmondson	Term ends 2018
Mary Jo Brown	Term ends 2018
Betsy Hine	Term ends 2018
Dianne Mansfield	Term ends 2018
Erica West	Term ends 2017
Jr. Elder (1-year term)	

Deacons:

Theresa Vaughn	Term ends 2019
Rick Dennis	Term ends 2018
Beth Duley	Term ends 2018
Brian Dooley	Term ends 2018
Margaret Harden	Term ends 2018
Marsha McQueary	Term ends 2018
(Prepare communion only)	
Sean Mullen	Term ends 2018
Mary Beth Mullen	Term ends 2018
Violet Vaughn	Term ends 2017
Jr Deacon (1-year term)	





HOLY COW!



CALENDAR OF THE 175TH OUTRAGEOUS ANNIVERSARY YEAR

July

CCC BIG Read – Judges & Ruth

July 17—21 VBS 175th Anniversary CCC/DOC 1841 *Bethany Village.*

July 24 —VBS Celebration in worship.

July 31, 4:00 – 5th Sunday Musicale: 🎵 **Little Italy Singers & Spaghetti Dinner**

August

CCC BIG Read – 1 Samuel Aug 28 —Youth Led Worship

September

CCC BIG Read – 2 Samuel

September 9 – 25th Annual CCC Jonah Fish Fry

September 18 – United Campus Ministry Barbecue — *CCC will share our 175th Anniversary Displays*

September 25 – Worship in the Park, Church Picnic

October

CCC BIG Read – 1 Kings *Disciples of Christ Church History Month*

October 2 – World Communion Sunday

October 16 – Dr. Scott Seay, Professor of Church History at Christian Theological Seminary will preach during worship.

Sunday School – Discussion— Q & A with Dr Seay

Noon Lunch with Dr. Scott Seay at a local restaurant

October 29 — *Music & Chocolate*

October 30, 4:00 – 5th Sunday Musicale: 🎵 **Women of Erin**

November

CCC BIG Read – 2 Kings

November 27 – First Sunday of Advent, Hanging of Greens

December

CCC BIG Read – I Chronicles

December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent

December 18 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 25 – Christmas & Miracle Sunday!



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - BETHANY VILLAGE LIVE!

Another wonderful event is planned to celebrate our 175th anniversary. Vacation Bible School will be held July 17-21 from 6:30 - 8:15 pm each evening. Our theme *Bethany Village Live* is set in the 1840s when Central Christian Church was founded. We have planned games, crafts, music, snacks, and more. Each evening we will have special guests as we learn more about the history of Central Christian and the Disciples history. We are excited about VBS, and we are hoping to have a larger attendance for our anniversary year. Please invite your friends, neighbors, and relatives. This event is open to children of the community and it is FREE! We will have a VBS celebration during worship on Sunday, July 24th.

There will be a VBS meeting on Wednesday, July 6th at 6:00 pm. With all the preparation for the 175th celebration and Holy Cow, we haven't been able to have many planning meetings. We encourage all adult workers for VBS to attend this important meeting as we finalize plans.

If you haven't signed up to help with VBS it is not late! Show up at the meeting on July 6th or contact me, and we will find you a job! It takes many dedicated workers to have a VBS as great as ours. We appreciate all those who make this commitment to our children.

Theresa Vaughn

812-229-8089





July 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 Elders —noon		5 10:30 Communion at Bethesda & Wyndmoor <hr/> 7 pm Sit & Get Fit	6 Time? Christian Ed VBS 6 pm	7	8	9
10 Faith & Giving —noon	11 9 am Bible Study	12 7 pm Taize at St Mary	13 7 pm Sit & Get Fit	14	15	16
17 Board --noon	18 9 am Bible Study	19	20	21	22	23
DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 6:30 — 8:15 PM						
24 VBS Celebration	25 9 am Bible Study	26 7 pm Sit & Get Fit	27	28	29	30
31 5th Sunday Musical ♪♪						

Happy Birthday

1-Sharon Crist

2-Sam Willey

3-Will Hine, Jr

6-Rick Dennis

7-Mary Jo Brown

7-Lily Lawson Garloch

9- Kristy Zukakas
(Mansfield)

11-Ancy Mathew

11-Kolar Schodlatz

13-Jerry Johnson

13-Melanie Hurst

15-Theron Strong

16-Charley Hine

17-Johnny Manning Jr

18-Kevin Crist

18-Mallorie Wilson

18-Sherrie Mansfield

20-Kent Waltermire

24-Ava Hammond

25-Greg Mansfield

27-Mary Beth Ripple

28-Barbara Hunt

31-Dianne Mansfield

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Worship Services
9:30 AM
(Nursery for Infants &
Toddlers Open 9 AM -
12Noon)
Sunday School for All Ag-
es 11 AM



ONLINE GIVING

In today's digital world many people appreciate an online option which can help them be more consistent in the grace of giving. There is no cost to you to use this service. We provide you the option to safely and securely contribute to Central Christian Church using your debit or credit card.

On our church website www.cccthdisciples.org, click on the Support tab. Then click the Donate button, and you can pay by credit or debit card, or use your PayPal account!

OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

By Mail: Send your check to our office at 4950 Wabash Avenue, Terre Haute, IN 47803.

In Person: You can bring your tithes and offerings to our Sunday services or drop them off at the church office between 9-2 during the week.

Through Your Bank: Most banks will allow you to set up recurring gifts through BillPay, E-pay or similar systems which send a regular check to Central Christian Church in the amount of your choosing. Visit your bank for more information on how to set this up.

Your financial support helps to continue our mission of service and outreach to the Terre Haute community. Thank you and peace be with you!