

February 2017

the Clarion

of Central Christian Church (DOC)

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Four women of Central at the
WOMEN'S MARCH ON WASHINGTON



GOD SQUAD LOCK-IN—January 2017



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"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

Welcome FEBRUARY!
Wishing you a month filled with peace, love, and joy.

Without Valentine's Day, February would be ...Well, January.

Serving...

GREETER

Marsha McQueary

PRAYER CARDS

Mary Beth Ripple

ATTENDANCE PADS

None scheduled

COUNTERS

February 5

Twyla Edinburgh
Richard Hunt
Melanie Hurst

February 12

David Rose
Carroll Vasbinder

February 19

Cathy Kurtz
Lorri Ugo

February 26

Kathy Ocampo
Carol Sloan

Prayer List: It is time to update our *Prayer List*. You may submit names by filling out a *Prayer Request form* located in the *Pew Pads* and placing it in an offering plate or by contacting the church office.

Ronetta Downing

The McClintock family

Jane Siebenmorgen

Lois Hollingsworth

Jo Anne Seybold & family

NEW ADDRESSES:

Diana Chavis 1025 Landings Court, Brazil, IN 47834, (812)605-3420

Kim Faught, (812) 239-8028, kimfaught@sbcglobal.net

Will & Betsy Hine, 7 Ferndale Dr, 47803

John & Shelly Manning, 8081 North Erickson, 47805

Lisa & Jimetta Mankin, 1409 S 14th St, 47802, lisaandjimetta@gmail.com

David & Andrea McColl, PO Box 674, Farmersburg, IN 47850 (812)696-0468

Rick & Brenda Waltermire 1940 E 48 1/2 Court 47802, (812)236-7645

CORRECTED ADDRESS:

Rick Dennis & John Henderson, 826 S 8th St, 47802, jhenderson63@outlook.com

Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Central Christian Church (DOC), Terre Haute will have a congregational meeting immediately after worship on Sunday, February 26, 2017. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss and approve a revised Operating Budget for 2017.

ANNUAL SAFE KIDS' TRAINING

On Monday, March 6, at 6:30 PM Rev. Zelensky will lead our annual Safe Kids Training. Everyone is welcome, but those who work with our children and/or God Squad youth are strongly encouraged to attend. Safe Kids Training is a requirement for our insurance carrier as well as our own Healthy Boundaries policy. This is another way of showing we care about our young people and helping to make our church a safe place for all.

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.

ROSELAWN BURIAL PLOTS David Troyer has generously donated two (2) Roselawn burial plots (Lot 42, "A" Section, Space 6) to Central Christian Church (DOC). The plots are in a head-to-toe arrangement instead of side-by-side. Central Christian Church (DOC) is selling them for \$1,950.00 each or \$3,800.00 for both. Central Christian Church will pay the transfer fee. This offer will be available to members of Central Christian Church for a limited time. If interested, email Doug Sloan at dcsloan128@msn.com or phone: 812-877-4214.



Our Church Family.....

Serving...

Please report items for Our Church Family to the church office, and please remember the following in your prayers:

Central Christian Church (DOC) and all our ministries.

Jerusalem Christian Church (DOC), Lafayette, LA, all their ministries, and Rev. Ashley Sherard and her daughters.

Norma Bird as she continues to recover from knee replacement surgery.

Diana Chavis, as she deals with pancreatitis and leukemia.

Chuck Dooley, Brian's dad, as he continues to recover from a stroke.

Chloe Hammond as she seeks treatment for the after-effects of a car accident.

Don & Kathy Iliff as Don recovers from recent surgeries and a severe infection.

Sandy Lang as she works with her doctors to determine why she is losing weight and having stomach issues.

Lisa Mankin as she recovers from recent heart blockage surgery, and her daughter, **Nikki**, as she deals with alcoholism.

Kelly & Patrick Meyer and **Allissa & Joe Williams** and their soon-to-be born babies.

Mary Beth Mullen & her mother, Mary, as Mary recovers from surgery.

Dan Fehrenbach's daughter, **Jennifer Taylor**, as she is expecting twins in February.

Greg Wooley & family as Greg has been diagnosed with brain cancer and his wife is expecting twins in July.

We extend our deepest sympathies to **Sherrie Mansfield** and her extended family at the death of Sherrie's cousin, Polly MacMillan. Polly was living in Florida and her death was very unexpected.

We extend our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of **William Cornell** who died on January 6. Bill and his wife, Ruth, grew up at Central Christian, were married in the 7th Street building on December 26, 1947, and were close friends with Jane and Dr. Paul Siebenmorgen.

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

February 5
Erica West
Phil Ewoldson

February 12
None Scheduled

February 19
None Scheduled

February 26
None Scheduled

DEACONS

February 5
Prep Lexi Zelensky

Serve

Serve

Serve

Cleanup

February 12

Prep

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February 19

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Dear Congregation;

Thank you so much for your donation of winter hats, gloves and scarves to the students at Fuqua Elementary. They will be distributed to students in need.

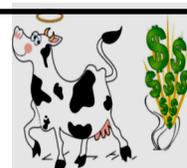
We appreciate you making Fuqua and our students a recipient of your kind donation again this year. Your continued generosity and thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, Mary Beth Harris.



2017 HOLY COW TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE

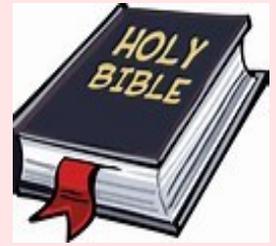
See Doug Sloan or Lorri Ugo



CAN'T HEAR SUNDAY WORSHIP? If you struggle to hear the voices of our worship leaders, please speak with Jeff Zelensky. Jeff can give you headphones, so you need not miss anything as we worship God together.

CCC BIG Read February Challenge

As the next three books we will be reading from the Hebrew Scriptures are not very long, we are going to cover all three during the month of February.



The books Ezra & Nehemiah were originally one book. When they were split into two, the order got switched. You can still read them in the sequence they appear in our Bibles; it simply helps to know this before diving in.

The Babylonians have been conquered by Persia, and the Persian King Cyrus decrees that the exiles from Israel may return to their homeland. In fact, he even tells them to take the gold and silver Nebuchadnezzar stole from them in order to rebuild their Temple when they arrive back in Jerusalem. The book of Ezra records the struggles and challenges facing the Israelites who decide to return home. Ezra, a student of Mosaic Law and then a priest, comes to some extreme conclusions about what is required if the people are going to be faithful to God.

Nehemiah, cup-bearer/wine taster to the king of Persia, is sent to be governor of Judah and is in charge of rebuilding Jerusalem's city walls. Nehemiah is a fascinating study of leadership. He is very concerned about the poor among his people, he must protect those rebuilding Jerusalem's walls from those living in the area who oppose construction, and he is a man who wants to be faithful to the law. He also has strong opinions, like Ezra, about Israelites marrying only other Israelites and commands those with "foreign" wives and children to separate themselves from them.

Not all of the exiles chose to return home to Israel; many stayed in the lands where they had had families and built businesses and communities. The book of Esther focuses on a Jewish woman who becomes Queen of Persia and then must decide how she will respond when a powerful Prime Minister, Haman, plots to have all the Jews killed. Our Jewish sisters and brothers tell this story every year as the basis of their holiday, Purim, which is a time of great fun and partying. Still, Esther raises important questions about genocide, revenge, and courage.

Ezra has 10 chapters, Nehemiah has 13, and Esther has 10. You can divide the chapter readings up as you like; my plan, however, will be to read 1 chapter a day of Ezra (Feb 1-10), then 1 chapter a day of Nehemiah (Feb 11-23), and finally finish with 2 chapters a day of Esther (Feb 24-28).

May God's wise Spirit guide us as we continue our journey through the scriptures.

Rev. Rebecca Zelensky

Last Chance for 2017 Pastor's Class!

Pastor's Class is a longstanding Disciples of Christ tradition and a special educational/spiritual growth opportunity. Pastor's Class is offered to young people and adults who are considering making a confession of faith and baptism, OR have been baptized in another tradition and want to learn more about discipleship and membership with the Christian Church (DOC).

Pastor's Class will begin Sunday, February 5 and conclude the end of March. Participants will meet with Rev. Rebecca every Sunday from 11:00AM to Noon.

Some of the topics that will be discussed include God, Jesus Christ, how do we deepen our relationship with God, how do we make sense of the Bible, what is the good news, and what is the church.

Rev. Rebecca has already heard from a number of adults and youth who plan to attend; if you or a young person in your family is interested in Pastor's Class, please contact Rebecca at revzelensky@frontier.com or 812-877-9959.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Mark your calendars for March 12!! On June 12, 2016, CCC's Homecoming Sunday, we had scheduled the **Rev. Dr. Sharon Watkins**, General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) as our guest to preach the sermon for worship that day. Unfortunately, because of a death in Dr. Watkins' family, she had to cancel. We were hoping that we would be able to reschedule her at some point, maybe after her time as General Minister and President ended in July 2017, but we are excited to announce that she will be the guest preacher on **March 12, 2017!** We are sure Dr. Watkins is really busy in these last few months leading up to July and General Assembly in Indianapolis, so we are especially grateful to her for her commitment to Central Christian Church in Terre Haute!! There will be a pitch-in lunch after the service, so consider this another Homecoming Sunday for CCC!! Watch for details and sign up to bring a side dish and/or a dessert. The celebration of 175 years just keeps on rolling!! Don't miss this exciting Sunday.

Coming Up:

Ash Wednesday Service will be March 1 at 6:00; Sundays in Lent begin March 5

United Campus Ministries Chili Fest and Silent Auction

March 5 is the big fund raiser Chili Fest at St. Mark's UCC. See the flyer in this issue of the Clarion for details. How can you help? (1) Attend to eat and bid on great silent auction items; (2) donate a dessert or 2 for the bake sale table; (3) donate good, new, quality silent auction items; (4) volunteer to help the day off!! This is a big day for United Campus Ministries, Central Christian Church's ministry to students in the Terre Haute area from ISU, RHIT, SMWC, IvyTech, and Harrison College. Thanks as always to the support of everyone at CCC for their support of this amazing ministry.

(Snow date will be March 12, but we sure hope that won't be happening, especially in light of the announcement about the Rev. Dr. Sharon Watkins!!)

February Outreach Focus - Week of Compassion

Dear Church,

It is a common, perhaps daily, experience for many of us, as we live in our technology driven age: a pin drops on a GPS map, marking a current location or indicating a destination, orienting us in space. These map pins represent where we are and where we hope to go.

The scriptures for the WOC special offering this year provide a similar point of reference, an orientation for our lives-God is near; love one another in truth and action; feed those who are hungry, clothe those who are naked, welcome those who are strangers. These texts help us position ourselves in relation to God and to one another by reminding us of our call to be here for one another, loving one another as God has loved us. Our destination, where our map pin sits, is near to the heart of God, is alongside our neighbors who are suffering.

This offering season, our theme is “You are here.”

By this simple statement, we glorify God’s faithful presence, affirm that Christ is uniquely present in those whom we serve, and celebrate how you are here for your neighbors in their times of need. For over seven decades, Week of Compassion has been able to be present for people near and far in moments of crisis because of your partnership and generosity. We have been present, so you also have been present.

You are here—in Rowlett, TX, where tornado survivors have been able to return to their homes, because volunteer teams were present to help rebuild and repair houses.

You are here—in Tanzania, where lower income women are taking proactive steps for their reproductive health with screenings and treatment for cervical cancer provided by our partners.

You are here—in Morocco, Jordan, Serbia, the United States, and elsewhere around the world, where refugees are receiving food, water, and medicine with dignity, as our partners offer aid and accompaniment.

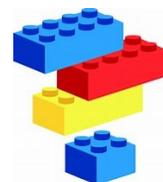
Often we receive notes from those who have experienced disasters, expressing thanks because “Week of Compassion was here.” In times of loss or struggle, after a fire or flood, when a child is unable to attend school because she has to search for clean water, or when a mother has fled home to keep her children safe, the church is present through the work of Week of Compassion. Through your gifts, you are here.

In grateful partnership, we offer again our thanks and rejoice in the good work of the gospel. As we continue to walk in mutuality, seeking wholeness and healing for all, let us be strengthened by the Spirit of God, here with us.

GRACE AND PEACE,
Your Week of Compassion Staff
Rev. Vy Nguyen,
Rev. Caroline Hamilton-Arnold ,
Rev. David Owen

Aaron’s LEGOcy

One of our new Outreach projects this year is Aaron's LEGOcy, which was begun in honor of Aaron Todd, who died young of a congenital heart problem after many years of treatments and surgeries at Riley Hospital for Children. The Todds collect Lego sets to be taken to Riley's heart wing for the children who have outgrown many of the other toys donated to the children. Thank you to everyone who donated Lego sets in January.



KOINONIA FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

KOINONIA MINISTRY TO MEET

The Koinonia ministry team will gather at 6:30 PM Friday, February 3rd for a carry-in dinner meeting at the home of Frank and Sharon Crist (5099 N. Orchard Place - Lantern's West Subdivision on Bolton Road in West Terre Haute; Phone:812-535-3359). The Crists will provide the main course, and everyone may bring a side dish or dessert to share. They will be planning upcoming activities for the church.

We were thrilled to have some new people pledge to join our committee on their Time & Talent Pledge Sheets. Even if you didn't pledge to serve on this ministry team, we always welcome anyone to our meetings. It's a fun, relaxed time to complete work for the church but, also, to have fellowship with each other.

WESTERN NIGHT & DINNER AT CENTRAL

SATURDAY MARCH 18TH 6 PM

Your Koinonia Fellowship ministry team is planning another fun evening at Central. Pull out your jeans, western shirts, cowboy hats, boots, etc. and come for a fun Western Dinner. The main course will be chuck wagon stew. We will put up tags on the display board for items needed; If possible, take a tag to purchase an item for the stew or to bring a salad or dessert for the evening. The ingredient items for the stew need to be at the church by Sunday March 12th. We're planning some fun activities for after dinner, so mark your calendar now to join us. Two years ago we had a Mystery dinner, and last year we had a Hawaiian Luau. This year you'll want to attend our Western Night. Please sign up at the Information Center if you can join us. Also, watch for tags of items needed for the chuck wagon stew, salads & desserts for the meal.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDARS

Your Koinonia Fellowship ministry team is excited to announce the following events and fellowship opportunities that have been planned for 2017. The ministry team will meet on February 3rd at the Crist home to plan for other upcoming events. We hope you'll mark your calendar for all of these events and plan to participate in these activities. If you haven't participated in a lot of extra activities outside of worship in the past, this would be a great time to get involved in the events and activities of all the ministry teams here at Central. We are not large in number here at Central, but through God's grace we accomplish wonderful things!

ACTIVE ADULTS TO SETUP TABLES & GO TO DINNER -- 6:00 PM, THURSDAY, MAY 4

We'll meet at church at 6 PM to set up tables for the Every Daughter Salad Supper which will be held the following evening. We will go to dinner at Fi Fi's Restaurant afterwards (approx. 7:15).

EVERY DAUGHTER SALAD SUPPER --6:30 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 5

This is a special evening to honor all women and girls in our church because we are all Daughters. Rather than a Saturday brunch, we're going to have the event on a Friday evening and ask persons to sign up to bring a salad or a dessert. We will also be asking ladies to sign up to host a table by decorating it like we did two years ago. It was great to see all of the wonderful decorating ideas. It's our own version of TableScapes.

ACTIVE ADULTS SET UP FOR JONAH FISH FRY & GO TO DINNER -- 6 PM THURS, SEPT. 7 **(Location to be determined)**

26th ANNUAL JONAH FISH FRY 4:00--7:30 PM FRIDAY, SEPT. 8

ANNUAL WORSHIP & PICNIC IN THE PARK - 10 A.M. SUNDAY, SEPT.24 **at the Lion's Shelter #1 at Deming Park**



United
Campus Ministries

Chili Fest
Silent Auction & Bake Shop
Plus veggie options, hot dogs & potatoes
March 5, 2017 ~ 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Admission — \$10.00
Children 10 and under — \$5.00
****Desserts extra****



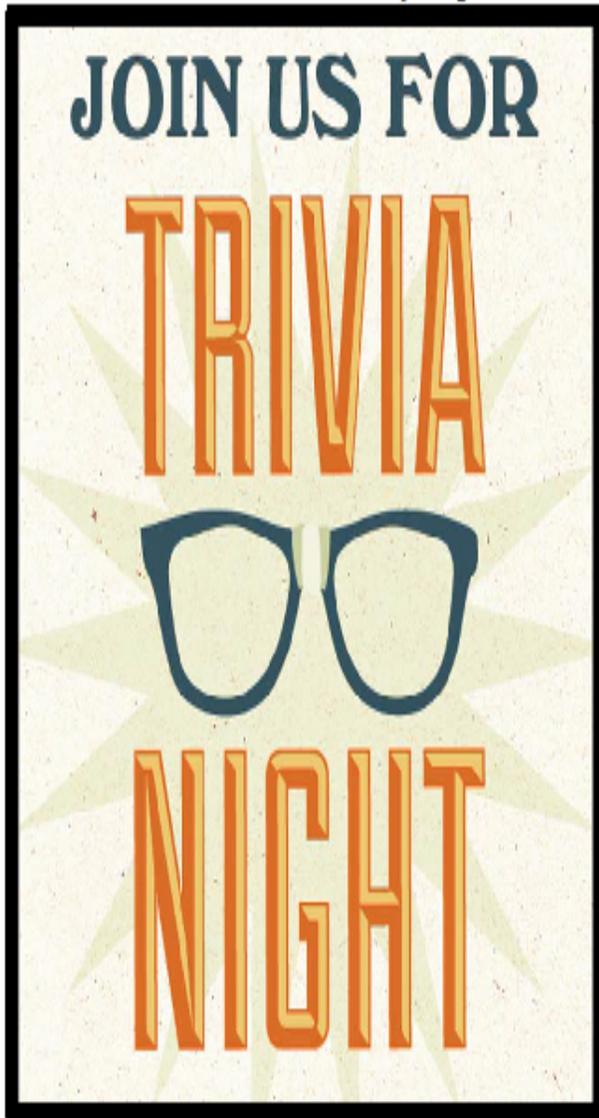
Location:
St. Mark United
Church of Christ
475 S Fruitridge
Terre Haute, IN

Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

\$300.00 TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, April 7, 2017 – 7:00 pm (doors open at 6:30)

*Test Your Trivia Knowledge!
Compete Against Other Teams!
WIN \$300 Cash Prize!*



WHEN: Friday, April 7, 2017

TIME: 7:00 PM (Doors open at 6:30 PM)

WHERE: 4950 Wabash Avenue, Terre Haute, IN 47803

COST: \$20 per person

HOW TO ENTER

- Get 6-8 people together (at least 18 years old) and form a team.
- Register your team with an email to CCCTriviaNight@gmail.com
- Print and complete the Registration Form that arrives with the confirmation email.
- Write a single check for the entire team. Make the check to Central Christian Church and print "Trivia" on the Memo line
- **DEADLINE:** Mail the completed Registration Form and the check to Central Christian Church so they arrive by **MARCH 24, 2017**.

OTHER IMPORTANT STUFF:

- Each team supplies its own snacks. (*It's not our fault if another team has better snacks!*)
- CCC will supply a wide variety of free unlimited soft drinks as well as coffee and water and one simple snack.
- NO alcoholic beverages allowed.
- Bring Cash to buy Mulligans (4 for \$5.00) and tickets for the 50/50 drawing. (\$1 per Ticket. Quantity Discounts available.)
- The Trivia and 50/50 Cash Prizes will be awarded at the end of the event.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

FEBRUARY EVENTS

Your Christian Education Ministry has been busy making plans for our young people. We have several events planned for the next few months. Watch your Clarion for more upcoming events!

The Christian Kids Club will have a **Valentine Party** on Sunday, February 12th from noon to 1:30 PM. CKC is for elementary aged kids. The party will be held in the church nursery. Each child should bring a sack lunch and drink. After lunch, we will have Valentine crafts, snacks, and a special Valentine story read by Rev. Rebecca.

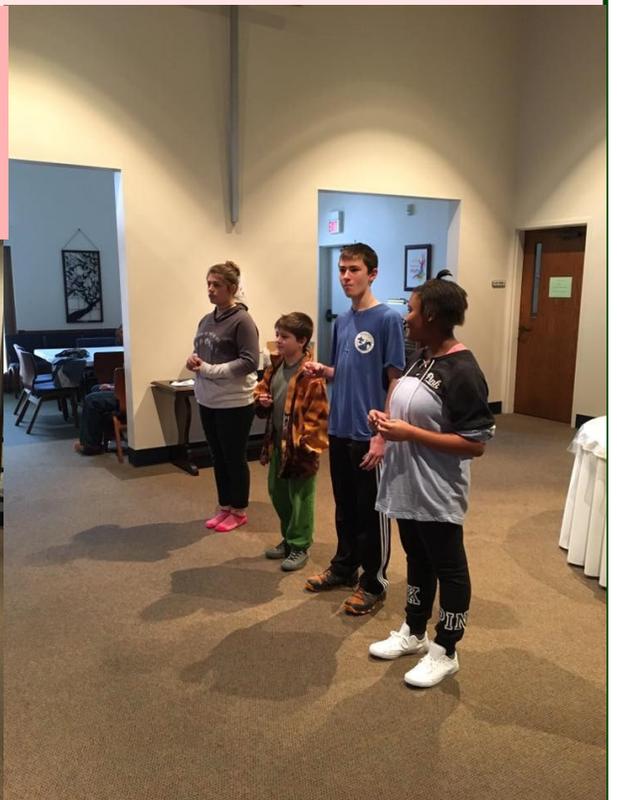
Our God Squad (grades 6-12) will also meet on February 12th from noon to 1:30 PM in the youth room. We will have lunch and finish preparations for the **St. Patrick's Day Parade**. Please bring a sack lunch, drink, and ideas for the parade.

CKC and the God Squad will go **Roller Skating** on Sunday, February 26th at Terre Haute Skate World. We will skate from 2:00-4:00 PM. Admission is \$3.50 per skater. Regular skate rental is \$2.00, speed skates \$3.00, and inline skates \$4.00. Families are invited to skate with us or watch the fun. There is no charge for non-skaters. Extra money might be needed for the snack bar and arcade games.

We hope your children are able to join us for Christian fun and fellowship!

Theresa Vaughn

Central Christian is blessed by many servant leaders, both ordained and lay. Among these are some of our youth. We have one Junior Elder and four Junior Deacons.. On January 22 all four of our Junior Deacons served together. We are so proud of these young people!



February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 6:30 Kononia Dinner Mtg at Christ's	4
5 Elders at noon	6 9:00AM Bible Study 10:30 Communion at Bethesda & Wyndmoor 6:30 pm Christian Ed Mtg Nominating Comm.	7 Phoenix Hills Homeowners 7:30—9:30 PM	8	9	10	11
12 Worship Team at noon Noon—1:30 pm CKC & God Squad	13 9AM Bible	14 7PM Taizè SMWC 	15 7PM Holy Cow	16	17	18
19 Board at noon	20 9AM Bible Study	21 7PM Sit & Get Fit	22 6:30 PM Choir Resumes	23	24	25
26 After Worship Congregational Mtg 2-4 PM CKC & God Squad Skating	27 9AM Bible Study	28 7PM Sit & Get Fit				



Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

2 Cody Crist	14 Rachael Manning	23 Kathy Ocampo
2 Christine Kennedy	19 Eleanor Herndon	24 Clayton Minger
6 Kelly Meyer	20 Abbie Ritchie	27 Theresa Vaughn
12 Twyla Edinburgh	(Hammons)	28 Jaiden Loftson
13 Margaret Harden	21 Hallie Whitley	
14 Garrah Johnson	23 Sarah Seybold	

16 Richard & Barbara Hunt
27 Shannon & Nick Aballi



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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



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

**RE-REGISTER YOUR
KROGER CARD FOR
THE NEW YEAR**

Thank you to those who have registered their Kroger Plus card with the Kroger Community Rewards program. We currently have 16 cards registered. We were enrolled for three quarters of 2016 and earned \$222.04 just for shopping and using your card! This is free money!

The program requires all cards be re-registered after January 1st. Please go to krogercommunityrewards.com to reregister your card. Be sure to designate Central Christian Church as the organization to receive the credit for your purchases. Our NPO number is 39128.

If you have not previously registered your card this is a great time to do so. The more cards we have signed up making purchases the more money we will earn. You shop as you normally would with your card, and Central Christian Church benefits. This does not affect your gas points, coupon use, or other benefits.

Thank you for taking the time to register your card for Central Christian Church. If you need help please contact me or Madonna in the church office.

Theresa Vaughn

