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Connecting friends and family of Central Christian Church with each other, the community, and beyond.

From the Pastor

Youth Sunday

This week we have a special opportunity in our worship service. The children and youth of FROG Pad will be leading our worship service. I hope you will come out to support them and be present for this special service of worship.

F.R.O.G .Pad is our Wednesday night ministry for our children and youth. We play games together. We eat together. We do Bible Study in age groups. We worship together. FROG Pad may be one of the most important outreaches we do in our church. It is a place we are shaping lives to follow in faith our Savior Jesus Christ.

It is a special honor we have this Sunday to share a little bit of FROG Pad with the congregation. You will get to see some of the faces and energy that makes up this Wednesday night ministry.

Also do not forget that following worship we will be having the Building God's Kingdom Heritage Brunch. This is a fund raiser brunch to raise money for our new building enhancements. It will be a great time with great food and great fellowship. Make plans to stick around and enjoy brunch with your church family.

I'll see you around the Lord's Table Sunday morning for Youth Sunday.

Blessings,
Pastor Brent

Church Camp

Time to sign up for Church Camp! Refer to the "Church Camp Opportunities & Schedule" inside this issue of The Connector for all the camp dates!

The church will pay half your camp fees.

Let's have a great group of campers sign up for Church Camp!

Registration forms are available in the church office. Deadline date is April 24!

Building God's Kingdom Heritage Brunch Buffet

Sunday, April 17
following worship

Building Fund Raiser
Suggested offering —\$5



Central Christian Scholarship

Anyone who is graduating from high school this year or who is currently attending college is encouraged to apply for the Central Christian Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship was established with initial contributions from Wendell and Mary Beeman (parents of Wendy Brudevold) who were very supportive of post high school education.

The priority of this scholarship is to support high school graduates as they continue their post-high school education, either vocational or academic. The elders are responsible for reviewing the applications and determining the recipient (s) and amount up to \$500. Our guidelines for applying are listed below:

1. Applicant must be an active participant of Central Christian Church.
 2. Grade point average, activities during high school, participation at Central, sincerity of purpose, letter of recommendation from someone outside Central Christian, and evaluation of the required 250-400 word essay on "how Central Christian has helped me grow in my relationship to God" will all have bearing on the awarding of this scholarship.
 3. Application materials must be in the church office by April 30 and recipient(s) will be notified by June 1.
- The application form and more detailed information can be obtained from the church office.

Prayer Concerns Please pray for.....

Alice Baker	Gary Longhorn
Carolyn Sapp	Helen Miller
Ron Ewoldsen	Norma Brody
Darrel Baker	Buzz Blake
Chet Fredin	Tammy Newcomb
Jim Brody	Wilma Johnson
Reva Fredin	Sue Geisler
Della Stoneman	Bev Donels
Ann Hewitt	Glen Casteel
Ann Kirk	Brad Neessen
Mary Canfield	Ledger Dalton
Mark Sawyer	Benjamin Wellborn
Zeke Bessire	Jan Sawyer
Rachel Kahn	Jaxton Engstrom
Matthew Helmke	Becky
Ramona Adolf	
Dale & Bobbie Buhl	
All military personnel	

\$Dollars & Sense\$

Spring is here. Regardless of what the weather is, it is Spring. Here are the March figures. General Fund Income was \$14,241.00. Expenses were \$17,607.28. There was an Insurance payment of \$3,000 that made the results be in the red. But its due every three months, so we know its coming.

With the Building Fund being out in front of us at this time I will say a few words concerning that. The income for that in March was \$2,200. We don't have the results of the Pledge drive in yet. We will let you know when we get those figures.

We might be in the red for the current month, but so far for the fiscal year we are \$1,649.60 in the black. The General Fund Pledge Drive is upcoming so please pray that it will be successful and meet our Budget estimates.

As always, we are thankful for that which we receive and pray we use it to the good of God's Kingdom.

Toots Weston, Treasurer

Thank You

A big thank you to all who helped me celebrate my 90th birthday with your cards and greetings. They were very much appreciated.

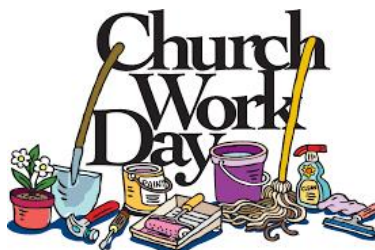
Donna and I are so sorry that we cannot worship with you but our hearts are there.

Thanks so much,
Roger L. Romine

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels has a new coordinator, Elda Watson. We thank Carolyn Sapp for her scheduling of the routes this last year even with going through knee surgery. And we welcome Elda to the new task.

Sharon Gatewood
Risk-Taking Outreach Chair



Graduation

Taylor Torrey will walk the stage at Expo High School on June 1st at 6:00 pm. The celebration of her graduation will continue from 7:00 until 11:30 pm at Elk Run City Hall. She has earned her nursing assisting through Hawkeye. We hope to see you all there.

God Bless.

Nicole Derifield

Leadership Positions for 2016-2017

The Ministry Council is in the process of putting together leadership positions for the 2016-2017 church year. We are in need of someone to chair the Facilities and Finance Ministry Team and the Faith Formation Ministry Team as well as Elders and Diaconate members.

If you know of someone who is interested in any of the mentioned positions, please give their names to Dave Kane

Thank you!!

Quilt Raffle

The Hospitality Ministry Team has begun a quilt raffle for Relay for Life. Be sure to purchase your raffle tickets soon! They may be purchased on Sunday mornings or come in during the week to the church office and purchase some.

All proceeds go to Relay for Life to be used to help find a cure for cancer. It's a very good cause!

Spring Work Day

The Facilities and Finance Committee has set June 4 as a All Church Work Day. Please mark your calendar and save the date of June 4th to come to the church and help clean up and fix up the church inside and out! We can use lots of people!!

Library Help

If you have an interest in helping make decisions about library books and adjustments for the smaller library, please contact me. My plan right now is to offer some of the books from the shelves at the east end to our members by putting them on tables in the Narthex for you to take. We need to have this done by the end of April because they will be starting construction on the upper level, probably May 9th.

If you have suggestions about what you would like the library to look like after the remodel, also contact me.

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F.R.O.G. Pad and Youth Sunday

The children and youth of F.R.O.G. Pad are working on presentations for our April 17th worship service. Plan to be here on April 17th to see what they have to present!

All children and youth, please plan to be at F.R.O.G. Pad on Wednesday nights so we can practice and be prepared for the 17th!



F.R.O.G. Pad Bowling Party

F.R.O.G. Pad will finish out this year's programming season with a Bowling Party on Wednesday, April 27th. We will meet at Cadillac Bowling Alley from 5:30 to 7:30 pm on April 27th. The cost per person is \$5.00 Friends are welcome and parents are encouraged to participate. Please let us know if you plan to participate so we can have an accurate head count. Please join us as we conclude another year of the F.R.O.G. PAD.



Building God's Kingdom Report

Building God's Kingdom is on its way! We dedicated pledge cards during worship this last Sunday, BGK committee met on Tuesday, and we are celebrating with the BGK Heritage Breakfast Brunch this coming Sunday, April 17th!

We do thank all of you who gave in the first five years to support your pledge! The current Building Fund balance is over \$280,000.

We dedicated 29 pledges on Sunday totaling \$114,170 for this current drive from May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2021. That is 76% towards our goal of \$150,000. We applaud our members for supporting this so well. We do still need to underwrite the remaining 24%. So if you haven't turned in a pledge card, please do so to the church office any time.

MariLynn Pierce, as Project Manager, and her committee, are using their creativity to make this remodel an inviting place for Central to work from. Niki Annis, Pledge Drive Chair, and her committee will be building on what has been promised. Watch the elevator going up! And we are beginning to plan for the ground breaking ceremony after church on Sunday, May 1st!

We hope that you are all feeling the reviving of God's power as we prayerfully listen for the programs He wants us to carry out in this new space.

Wendy Brudevold and Sharon Gatewood, BGK Co-Chairs

Church Camp Opportunities & Schedule

Believe it or not, it's time to start thinking about Summer Church Camp!! Registration forms are in the church office or go to uppermidwestcc.org to print a form. Check out the poster on the church office window for descriptions of the camps. As in the past the church will pay half the cost. You may talk with Pastor Brent if you feel you need more assistance. Please turn in your camp registration forms to the church office no later than April 24 so they can be processed before the regional deadline of May 1.



- June 3-5, Post High Camp ages 18-25 \$110
- June 9-12, NEW: CYF Mission Weekend to Kansas City
- June 10-11, Grand Camp #19—age 4 to 2nd grade with Grandma/Grandpa \$50
- June 12-17, Junior Camp #2—Grades 3-5 \$220
- June 12-17, Chi Rho #7—Grades 6-8 \$220
- June 19-24, Junior Camp #3 —Grades 3-5 \$220
- June 19-24, Chi Rho #8 —Grades 6-8
- June 24-25, NEW: Outdoor Adventure Grand Camp #21—age 4 to 2nd grade with Grandma/Grandpa \$50
- June 26-July 1, Chi Rho #9—Grades 6-8 \$220
- June 26-July 1, CYF #15—Grades 9-12 \$220
- July 5-7, Pee Wee Camp #22 —completed 2nd grade \$110
- July 5-7, Senior Adult Retreat \$110
- July 10-15, Junior Camp #4—Grades 3-5 \$220
- July 10-15, NEW: Middle School A.D.A.M. Camp \$220
- July 17-22, CYF #16—Grades 9-12 \$220
- July 17-22, Chi Rho #11—Grades 6-8 \$220
- July 22-23, Grand Camp #20—age 4 to 2nd grade with Grandma/Grandpa \$50 [Bob & Carol Mayfield are directing this camp along with Jerry & Linda Wolf]
- July 25-27, Pee Wee Camp #23—completed 2nd grade \$110
- July 25-27, NEW: Junior #1 Mini—Grades 3-5 \$110
- July 31-Aug. %, Junior Camp #5—Grades 3-5 \$220
- July 31-Aug. 5, NEW High School A.D.A.M. Camp \$220
- Aug. 7-12, CYF #17, Grades 9-12 \$220
- Aug. 7-12, Non-Rustic Chi Rho #13-Grades 6-8 \$220
- Aug. 14-16, NEW: Fair Camp #25-Multigenerational (Iowa State Fair) \$110 per family
- Aug. 19-21, Family Camp #24 \$110 per family



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EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES IN APRIL

Sunday, April 17, 2016

9:30 am Worship—Youth Sunday
 Wiggly Worship
 Building God's Kingdom Heritage
 Breakfast Buffet

Monday, April 18, 2016

Meals on Wheels Delivery

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad

Thursday, April 21, 2016

10:15 am Worship Review
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 24, 2016

9:30 am Worship
 Wiggly Worship
 Hospitality Hour

Monday, April 25, 2016

Noon Connector Articles Due
7:00 pm DOEs Group Meeting

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad

Thursday, April 28, 2016

10:15 am Worship Review
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

