

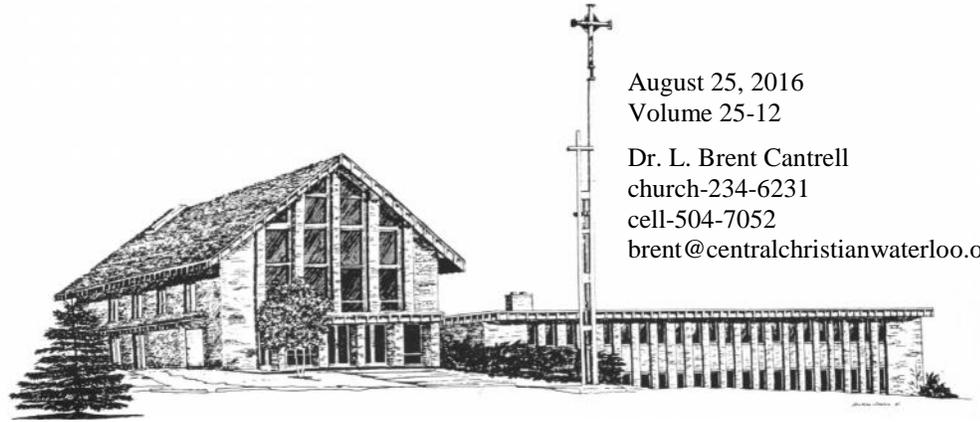


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Connecting friends and family of Central Christian Church with each other, the community, and beyond.

From the Pastor

School starts this week. Football kicks off in a few weeks. And of course we are now down to a matter of a couple of months before the snow could start falling. It is a change of seasons!

Things get kicked off in big fashion at Central Christian Church in the coming weeks.

- * The Noodle Zoo is on September 17th followed by...
- * The biggie the Bazaar on October 1st
- * Wiggly Worship resumes on September 11th.
- * The Choirs will resume practice on the Thursday following Labor Day.
- * FROG PAD begins their year with a special Olympic themed event on Wednesday September 21st.
- * How about we make September 11th a Back to Church Sunday? We will have special music and a Children's Message (along with Wiggly Worship) to highlight our worship service.

Summer is almost over. It won't be long until we see walls going up on our Church Renovations. Exciting times are here at Central Christian Church. Don't miss a thing by being in your place of service and worship as we begin the fall programming at Central Christian Church.

Peace & Grace,
Pastor Brent

Building God's Kingdom Update:

We have no Big Updates to share – we'd all love to see the building process move along more quickly! But, as it must be for all building/remodeling projects things don't fall into place exactly as expected. The completion goal for everything is now the end of the year. A few tidbits of information about where we are now:

- the footings/foundation are poured and the concrete flooring for the addition is poured and has now completed the 'curing' process
- the above ground work will hopefully begin the week of 8/22/16
- the windows have been removed from the nursery and the lower level classroom in preparation for the construction of the elevator shaft
- plumbers have been meticulously and cautiously evaluating future plumbing lines for the restrooms – to work around the maze of electrical and plumbing lines in the boiler room
- the elevator is ordered

Please continue to keep this entire project, and those doing the work, in your prayers and as you have questions or concerns, please share them.



BAZAAR 2016

October 1st

Save the Date
~~~ NOODLE ZOO ~~~  
Saturday, September 17, 2016

### Pre-Bazaar Help Needed!

As the BIG DAY — Saturday, October 1st — draws closer there are many ways that your help and participation will be a priceless blessing! Here are a few places where you might consider plugging in:

- The week before, Dave Kane will begin to **set up rooms** and could use help moving tables and shelves—check with Dave for details
- **Advertising and Promotion**—let Lani know if you'd like to be in the picture for the Celebrations section of the Waterloo Courier, help distribute flyers and posters, share the "Free Dessert" Coupons
- Thursday, 9/29/16—all morning—come help bake/**frost sugar cookies**, help **peel** and dice 60# of **potatoes** in the Fellowship Hall
- Dust off your recipes and plan on bringing **a pie and/or cake** for the Café—for all those Free Dessert coupons! Plus baked goods and cookies are needed for the Bake Shoppe and the Cookie Room
- And last but not least! — Noodle Zoo starting at 8:00 am on Saturday, 9/17/16 — the sharing of 25-30 lively workers makes for a quick and fun morning!

If you haven't yet been asked to work in one of the rooms, talk with Dave Kane. There's a place for you!

### Cookie Room

Yep, it's that time again. Please be thinking about cookies for the Bazaar. We can never have too many. I appreciate everyone's willingness to help make the Cookie Room such a success with the many different kinds of delicious cookies.

Judy McVey

### Carnival Room

The Carnival Room needs your homemade snacks, especially puppy chow and chex mix (with or without nuts).

We will have popcorn, snacks, pop, and lots of kid's items for purchase! Be sure to stop by the Carnival Room on Bazaar Day!!

### General Crafts

Just a reminder that Bazaar is approaching fast. The General Crafts Room can use all kinds of crafts. Also Gift Ideas.....a Basket of Goodies for a Baby Shower—or a Wedding Gift, Table Center Piece, etc. Aprons go over well, and crocheted dish cloths.

Marian Cook and Annette Ehlers

### Raffle

If you would like to contribute to this year's Bazaar Raffle, please contact Sharon Longhorn, 269-2514. We have limited space this year because of construction so we are especially looking for Gift Cards—Gas Cards, Grocery Cards. Thanks!

Wanted: Small jars for jelly that I will be making for the Bazaar. Thanks—  
Marian Cook

### Thank You

We would like to thank Becky Voss who donated homemade wreaths for the Summer Festival and the Bazaar. The wreaths are made of deco mesh and she donates them to churches and non-profits for fund-raising events. She has donated to churches and organizations in Illinois and Iowa and traveled some distance to bring her wreaths to us.

## Feed My Starving Children

All the M & M Tubes from our first box have been taken so we obtained another box! Pick up a tube or two of M & Ms and after eating the candy, fill the tube with quarters (it will hold \$14.00 in quarters) and return it to the church. The money will be contributed to Feed My Starving Children, an organization that works to feed children who are starving all over the world.

Marv DeWaard from Westminster Presbyterian Church will be here on September 11 to talk briefly about this organization.

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## \$Dollars & Sense\$

Fiscal Year 2015-2016 is now over and we are already in month two of Fiscal Year 2016-2017. A few facts and figures concerning the past year. Our estimated expenses were \$201,088. Our actual expenses were \$187,123. That's close to \$14,000 under what we estimated. These are only budgeted items. There are also Special Funds where money comes in and money goes out. We keep track of it but it is not considered budgeted monies. We also have the Investment Accounts where money comes in and goes out and that is also kept track of. This is all on the monthly expense report. This report is available should you want to see it. It is distributed each month to the members of the Facilities and Finance Committee and to the Ministry Council members. This report contains all the money which flows through the Church, both in and out, during that particular month. You received a copy of the May Financial Report at the Annual Congregational Meeting.

Now, a couple of things concerning the Fiscal Year we are in now. Here is a disturbing fact. The Pledge Drive for this year, which is monies both pledged and estimated income not pledged, is \$15,000 less than last year with the same amount of estimated expenses. If the money comes in that is pledged and promised, and we watch the expenses closely, it should be okay. Why should it be okay? As I said earlier, the expenses last year were about that amount less, so if that is the same this year, we should be okay. We take \$1600 a month from the Bequest Fund to apply to the Budgeted Expenses and we have Bazaar and SummerFest funds, per the Facilities & Finance Committee, to draw upon should we need to. I do want to remind you that Staff and Office Support expenses are 67% of the Budget. These are expenses that HAVE to be paid every month.

We started out in July with good income and so far August is not bad. Lets hope it continues each month. 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

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## BAZAAR 2016—SOUP ORDERS

~a limited number of pre-bazaar soup orders will be filled ~

Soup of your choice—\$6.00 per quart

Place your orders now—1st come 1st served!

Chicken Noodle \_\_\_\_\_ quarts      Potato \_\_\_\_\_ quarts

Ham & Bean \_\_\_\_\_ quarts (note: ham & bean/potato ready 9/30/16)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick up my Chicken & Noodle order:

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, September 17, 2016 (between 11:00—12:00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday, September 18, 2016 (after church)

\_\_\_\_\_ Please deliver to my home on Saturday

Address for delivery \_\_\_\_\_

(place in offering bag/leave in church office/or call:234-6231

~~ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH~~

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## Thank You

Central Christian Church family,  
Mark and I would like to thank all of you who gave to the collection for us. We really appreciate what you did. Thinking of you with Loving Hearts.  
Love,  
Mark & Jan Sawyer

Dear Central Christian Church,  
Thanks a bunch for help paying for me to go to Church Camp this year. I had a lot of fun playing gagaball and I learned so much in just that week. I hope that I can do it next year too. I had a wonderful experience. Hope you have a great rest of the summer.  
Thank you so much.  
From Addison Fuller

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## Prayer Concerns Please pray for.....

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Linda Sharp            | Alice Baker       |
| Maxine Weichers        | L. Brent Cantrell |
| Gary Longhorn          | Ann Hewitt        |
| Corrinne Brody         | Jim Brody         |
| Ron Ewoldsen           | Norma Brody       |
| Darrel Baker           | Buzz Blake        |
| Chet Fredin            | Tammy Newcomb     |
| Reva Fredin            | Sue Geisler       |
| Helen Miller           | Bev Donels        |
| Ledger Dalton          | Glen Casteel      |
| Ann Kirk               | Brad Neessen      |
| Mary Canfield          | Mark Sawyer       |
| Jan Sawyer             | Benjamin Wellborn |
| Zeke Bessire           | Rachel Kahn       |
| Jaxton Engstrom        | Ramona Adolfs     |
| Becky                  | Shannon           |
| Jan Peetrie            | Gloria Kammeyer   |
| Dale & Bobbie Buhl     |                   |
| All military personnel |                   |

## Northeast Iowa Food Bank Personal Care Drive

The Northeast Iowa Food Bank is holding a Personal Care Drive. Please help them out by bringing personal care items such as soap, shampoo, toilet paper, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Place them in our Food Bank barrel in the foyer. Thanks!!

## Wiggly Worship Begins

Wiggly Worship will start on September 11th!! Children up through 3rd grade are welcomed to join us for our special worship during the regular worship service.

Wendy Jordan and  
Hayley Bagg

## Faith Formation Ministry Team Gearing Up for Fall Programs!!

Summer is winding down and Fall is arriving. School is underway. Great adventures are awaiting the youth at Central Christian Church. Not only is the building under construction but our young people are constructing the foundation of faith for their lives.

The CHILDREN'S MESSAGE during church will be on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

WIGGLY WORSHIP will start September 11th. This program is for our children up through 3rd grade.

F.R.O.G. PAD will start on Wednesday, September 21st. Time will be 5:45 to 7:15 pm. This year we will be studying the parables in addition to having some fun starting with C.C.C. OLYMPICS on the 21st. This has been a great outreach for God's word to the young people, many who are not members of Central.

As she has always done for over the last decade "Miss Brandy" will be overseeing the NURSERY on Sunday Morning.

All God's children are important to God and the members of Central as evidenced by these programs. We are always looking for more of the adults to share their faith and talents with the young people.

PLEASE LIFT UP YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE SUCCESS OF THESE PROGRAMS IN CONSTRUCTING THE FOUNDATION OF FAITH FOR THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE TOUCHED.

In reference to the C.C.C. Olympics we would like to ask that if anyone has any old award statues (sports, education) that they no longer want that we could adapt for the Olympics please drop them off at the office or call Grandma Sharon (269-2514) by September 11th. Thank you in advance.

## Waterloo Black Hawks Hockey Team Looking for Host Families

The Waterloo Black Hawks Hockey Team is looking for local households able to provide a healthy and caring environment for hockey players, some who have never lived away from their families. A \$250 monthly stipend is provided to assist with groceries and other necessities. A 40% discount on Black Hawks season tickets is also available. The best part, however, is getting to know these great kids and build lifelong relationships and memories. For more information, check out the Black Hawks website, email [housing@waterlooblackhawks.com](mailto:housing@waterlooblackhawks.com) or call 232-3444.

# SEPTEMBER 2016

| SUNDAY                                                                                       | MONDAY                                                                                                         | TUESDAY                                                 | WEDNESDAY                                                            | THURSDAY                                                                                                                 | FRIDAY                                                      | SATURDAY                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                              |                               |                                                         |                                                                      | 1<br><br>10:15 am<br>Worship Review                                                                                      | 2                                                           | 3                                                                   |
| 4<br><br>9:30 am Worship<br><br>Hospitality Hour<br><br>FOOD BANK SUNDAY                     | 5<br><br><br><b>Labor Day</b> | 6<br><br>7:00 pm<br>Elders Mtg.                         | 7                                                                    | 8 8 am Partners<br>in Ed at Lou Henry<br>10:15 am<br>Worship Review<br>6 pm Bell Rehearsal<br>7:15 pm Choir<br>Rehearsal | 9                                                           | 10                                                                  |
| 11<br>9:30 am Worship<br>Children's Message<br>Wiggly Worship<br>Begins!<br>Hospitality Hour | 12<br>Noon - Connector<br>Articles Due<br><br>7:00 pm DOEs<br>Meals on Wheels<br>Delivery                      | 13<br><br>7:00 pm<br>Finance and<br>Facilitites<br>Mtg. | 14<br><br>4:30-6:00 pm<br>Small World<br>Ice Cream Social            | 15<br><br>10:15 am<br>Worship Review<br>6 pm Bell Rehearsal<br>7:15 pm Choir<br>Rehearsal                                | 16                                                          | 17<br><br>8:00 am<br>Noodle Zoo<br><br>8:00 am Men's<br>Bible Study |
| 18<br>9:30 am Worship<br>Wiggly Worship<br>Hospitality Hour<br>Ministry Council Mtg          | 19<br><br>Meals on Wheels<br>Delivery                                                                          | 20                                                      | 21<br><br>5:45 pm<br>F.R.O.G. Pad<br>Begins with<br>C.C.C. Olympics! | 22<br><br>10:15 am<br>Worship Review<br>6 pm Bell Rehearsal<br>7:15 pm Choir<br>Rehearsal                                | 23                                                          | 24                                                                  |
| 25<br><br>9:30 am Worship<br>Wiggly Worship<br>Hospitality Hour                              | 26<br>Noon - Connector<br>Articles Due<br><br>7:00 pm DOEs                                                     | 27                                                      | 28<br><br>5:45 pm<br>F.R.O.G. Pad                                    | 29 9:00 am<br>Sugar Cookies<br>and Potato Peeling<br>in Fellowship Hall<br>10:15 am<br>Worship Review                    | 30<br><br>6 pm Bell Rehearsal<br>7:15 pm Choir<br>Rehearsal | <b>October 1st<br/>Bazaar Day!</b>                                  |

## CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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## Touching Others For Christ

### SERVING IN SEPTEMBER

#### COMMUNION FILL & WASH

4 Carrie Neessen  
11 Pam Barker  
18 Kelly Young  
25 Jeremy Hayes

#### DOOR GREETERS

Upper: Lonnie & Pam Barker  
Lower: Hayes family

#### ELDERS SERVING 2nd VISITING ELDER

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| 4 Larry Durchenwald | Sharon Longhorn   |
| 11 Robin Thomas     | Gary Eliason      |
| 18 Linda Sharp      | Brent Thomas      |
| 25 Jerry Thordsen   | Larry Durchenwald |

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 2 Alvin Marken       | 18 Brandon Kane    |
| 4 Lani Yates         | 20 Ron Ewoldsen    |
| 4 Angie Olds         | 20 Wesley Helmke   |
| 5 Noah Cantrell      | 21 Tammy Newcomb   |
| 6 Jonathan Wion      | 22 Brian Watson    |
| 8 Elda Watson        | 22 Nikki Jordan    |
| 8 Ida Thomas         | 22 Janice Simpson  |
| 12 Donna Romine      | 24 Trace Newcomb   |
| 12 Bill Kammeyer     | 24 Gloria Kammeyer |
| 14 Cathy Helmke      | 26 Chris Cleope    |
| 16 Lora Tupy         | 26 Eli Freeman     |
| 16 Clint Fuller      | 27 Keri Hayes      |
| 17 Tucker Delveau    | 28 Evan Potter     |
| 18 Larry Durchenwald |                    |



### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

|                              |
|------------------------------|
| 1 Jeff & Leslie Balvanz      |
| 1 Brian & Catherine Mayfield |
| 7 Lisa & Greg Ellermann      |
| 7 David & Maralee Crooks     |
| 8 Jeremy & Keri Hayes        |
| 10 Stan & Rose Marie Wood    |
| 10 Mike & Carol Papenthien   |
| 17 Luke & Brandy Linsey      |
| 21 Nick & Stacie Uhlenhake   |
| 25 Denis & Julia Kuhlmann    |
| 25 Steve & Lora Tupy         |

