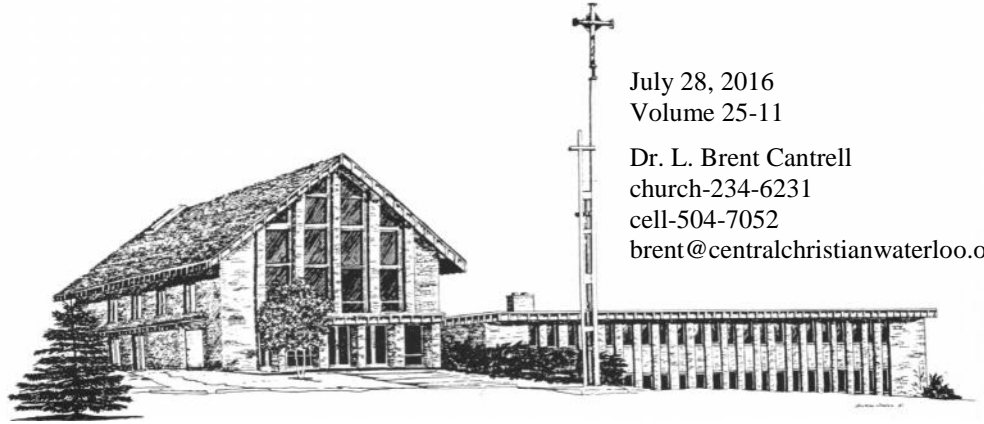




# The CONNECTOR

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

## From the Pastor

### Summer Time

It is summer time. It is both a time of busyness and relaxation. We are busy enjoying more leisure time activities. We are relaxing taking a break from the school year related activities.

I want to take the opportunity to encourage your continued presence in worship during the summer time. We can get so busy with activities that we fail to be in worship on Sunday morning. The early church understood how important it was to be in regular worship so much so that they devoted themselves to "the breaking of bread, fellowship, prayer and study" (paraphrase from Acts 2:42).

Besides that it is a good time on Sunday morning to come and check out the progress being made on our building renovation projects. It is an exciting time at Central Christian Church this summer with all of the work being done on our much needed building renovations. Concrete is being torn out and I am sure we will soon see the work of new construction happening in the coming weeks.

Enjoy your summer time and here's hoping to see you around the Lord's Table next Sunday morning.

Blessings,  
Pastor Brent

### Summerfest

Dear Central family,

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 2016 Summerfest a huge success. From prayers to donating merchandise to set up and clean up, a huge thank you! We have many blessings here, the greatest being able to work so wonderfully together in the name of our Lord.

Our total was \$3,625! May it be used to glorify the Lord.

Blessings,  
Nan Kane  
Diane Forney

Editor's footnote: Thanks, Nan and Diane for all your hard work!! You are amazing!!

## Building God's Kingdom Report—July 2016

The remodel is underway with the vestibule having been removed and fill material being put in for the new one! Praise God!

Our Design Team met with TurnKey Associates this month and began deciding on materials and colors. The colors in the new gathering space will be two shades of tan/beige. The entry space into the restrooms there will have a highlighted wall painted "sun-dried tomato" as will the new wall in the library. It was requested that the carpeting used in the new area also be laid in the smaller library space.

On the outside EIFS (Exterior Insulated Finishing System) will be a very classy tri-tone in shades of brown. The window, door frames and canopy will be edged in a dark metal.

TurnKey has provided us with color pictures of what the new gathering space will look like from the outside. Those pictures are posted in the Narthex.

Of course, we have run into some unexpected challenges regarding the excavation and fill. They have been dealt with at some extra cost.

Very soon they will be breaking into the library wall! The books have been removed, Wayne has taken down the shelves and Larry Duchenwald has taken pictures and is advertising our kitchen unit. Decisions still have to be made about where Sunday Fellowship will be held.

We are so excited to see this work finally being underway. Thank you to all for continuing to support God's work.

Wendy Brudevold and Sharon Gatewood, Co-Chairs



## Summer Camp

Ali Miller is counseling and helping out this summer at Church Camp in Newton. We missed putting her name in with the campers and counselors in the last issue of The Connector. Thanks, Ali, for your dedication to children at camp!

## Important Note

Please make sure the doors to the church building are locked and latched when you leave after a meeting. The north door that we are using during construction needs to have the button pushed before closing it. Please always turn and check the door to make sure it is locked and latched.

## Exercise Bike

Sharon Longhorn has an exercise bike that she would like to give to someone who is in need of one. Contact her at 269-2514.

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

Maxine Weichers	L. Brent Cantrell
Alice Baker	Gary Longhorn
Corrinne Brody	Ann Hewitt
Ron Ewoldsen	Norma Brody
Darrel Baker	Buzz Blake
Chet Fredin	Tammy Newcomb
Jim Brody	Wilma Johnson
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 Adolf
Becky	Shannon
Dale & Bobbie Buhl	
All military personnel	

## Thank You

Dear Kristi and Central Christian Church,

Thank you so much for your Usborne fundraiser! We had so much fun choosing books for our House of Hope kids! The focus on learning and literacy is so important and your contribution to that is invaluable! Thank you for investing in the lives of these children!

Sincerely,  
Karen Rowe  
House of Hope

## Work Orders

Please fill out a work order in the church office for any work request you have for our custodian, Wayne. All work orders should go through the office so we know how busy we're keeping Wayne!

Thanks!!

## Elders

The Elders met and have chosen Sharon Longhorn for Elder Chair.

The following positions were also decided on for the 2016-2017 church year.

Secretary:	Robin Thomas
Worship Support:	Mike Deters
Scholarship:	Linda Sharp
Attendance/Follow up prayer:	Toots Weston
Special Offering:	Brent Thomas
Home Centered Visitation:	Toots Weston

The 2016-2017 Elders are:

Mike Deters  
Sharon Longhorn  
Gary Eliason  
Brent Thomas  
Larry Durchenwald  
Robin Thomas  
Linda Sharp  
Jerry Thordsen  
Elda Watson  
Phyllis Zager

## Welcome New Members

We welcome Jack and Judy Mussett to our fellowship at Central Christian Church. Jack and Judy have been attending Central for several months and placed their membership on July 17th.

Please extend a warm welcome to Jack and Judy. We are blessed to have them continue their journey of faith with us at Central!

## Regional Congregational Gathering

An All Congregational Gathering is scheduled at the Christian Conference Center near Newton on Saturday, August 27th beginning at 10:00 am.

There are many activities planned including a combined choir from regional congregations, a large gathering for Worship with Keynote speaker Bill Spangler-Dunning, our Regional Minister.

There will also be a 5K Walk/Run, a "Midway" of activities for all ages, swimming, workshops on various topics concerning congregational life.

You can also bring your RV or tent or stay in lodge rooms or cabins on either Friday night the 26th or Saturday night at no cost.

If you would like more information or are interested in attending, call the church office at 234-6231. Check out a video promoting the Congregational Gathering at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dTy7KJ8iDeQ&feature=youtu.be>

## In Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to Neil and Julianne Kahn in the loss of Neil's father's wife, Evelyn, this past week.

May God's comforting presence be with the Kahn family during this difficult time.



**BAZAAR 2016**  
**October 1<sup>st</sup>**  
2 months and counting!

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

If everyone helps a little ..... or a lot! It makes for a fabulous day!

**NEEDED:**

- **Bake Shoppe** – Homemade and Fresh – of course – breads/pies/rolls/cakes etc
- **Cookies, Cookies, and More** – Mix and freeze your favorite cookie dough now & bake a few days before the BIG DAY.
- **Gently Used Holiday** – Sort out those decorations you're no longer using. Someone else would love them and at a bargain price.
- **Old Home Treasures** – a step above "garage sale" – kitchen/household items, collectibles, antiques, small furniture.
- **Book Shoppe** – Always a hit with avid readers! Share your 'Good Reads'
- **Café** – helping hands at Noodle Zoo + Pies & Cakes for our desserts. Freeze those in-season fruit pies now and bake a day or two before October 1.

• **And So MUCH More ~~**

**Kids Korner      General Crafts      Holiday Crafts      Raffle**

**Candy Shoppe** – get your recipes ready!

Again ~ there's something for everyone. Find your spot as we reach out in hospitality to our community and work together to strengthen our CCC community!

**Cookie Room**

Well, the 2016 Bazaar will be here before we know it. Therefore, I am asking you to start thinking about what kind and how many cookies you can make for the COOKIE ROOM. Everyone has been so very supportive in the past and I sincerely appreciate your help. Without your help, the COOKIE ROOM could not happen.

Thank in advance.

Judy McVey

**T-Shirts**

Is anyone interested in a new Central Christian T-shirt. We have small, medium and large available but would need to order larger sizes. If you would like a new t-shirt and need an extra large, XXL, or XXXL, please let the office know—234-6231.



**October 1, 2016**

# AUGUST 2016

| SUNDAY                                                                 | MONDAY                                 | TUESDAY                                | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                                                                              | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|
|                                                                        | 1                                      | 2<br>7:00 pm Elders Mtg.               | 3         | 4<br>10:15 am Worship Review                                                          | 5      | 6<br>8:00 am Men's Bible Study |
| 7<br>9:30 am Worship<br>Hospitality Hour<br><br>FOOD BANK SUNDAY       | 8<br>Meals on Wheels Delivery          | 9<br>7:00 pm Facilities & Finance Mtg. | 10        | 11<br>10:15 am Worship Review                                                         | 12     | 13                             |
| 14<br>9:30 am Worship<br>Hospitality Hour                              | 15<br>Meals on Wheels Delivery         | 16                                     | 17        | 18<br>10:15 am Worship Review                                                         | 19     | 20                             |
| 21<br>9:30 am Worship<br>Hospitality Hour<br><br>Ministry Council Mtg. | 22<br>Noon - Connector<br>Articles Due | 23                                     | 24        | 25<br>10:15 am Worship Review                                                         | 26     | 27                             |
| 28<br>9:30 am Worship<br>Hospitality Hour                              | 29                                     | 30                                     |           |  |        |                                |

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## Touching Others For Christ

### SERVING IN AUGUST

#### COMMUNION FILL & WASH

7 Peggy Moore

#### DOOR GREETERS

The Diaconate will meet July 31st and deacons will sign up for fill and wash and door greeters. If you are a diaconate member, please plan to attend!

#### ELDERS SERVING

7 Mike Deters  
14 Sharon Longhorn  
21 Gary Eliason  
28 Brent Thomas

#### 2nd VISITING ELDER

Elda Watson  
Robin Thomas  
Linda Sharp  
Mike Deters

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

|                   |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 Judy Brown      | 9 MariLynn Pierce        |
| 2 Jillian Hayes   | 12 Molly Thurm-Wagner    |
| 3 Sharon Gatewood | 13 Laurie Braaten Reuter |
| 4 Letty Linsey    | 15 Judy McVey            |
| 4 Ryan Brattrud   | 17 Don Smith             |
| 5 Daryl Potter    | 20 Kelly Young           |
| 8 Jeff Balvanz    | 21 Bev Olds              |
| 8 Malcolm Cleope  | 29 Steve Ury             |

### AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

4 Robert & Beverly Olds  
5 Mike & Pat Deters  
6 Paul & Karen Hanson  
8 Gary & Sharon Longhorn  
11 Ryan & Heather Brattrud  
15 David & Nan Kane  
20 Nicole & Sam Annis  
21 Bruce & DiAnn Zager  
23 Brent & Kim Cantrell  
24 Bob & Carol Mayfield  
25 Steve & Ila Ury  
31 James & Norma Brody

