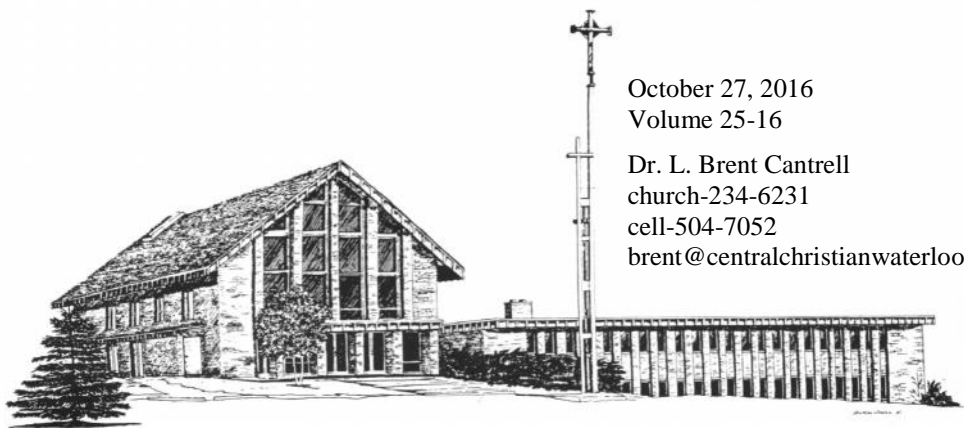




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Connecting friends and family of Central Christian Church with each other, the community, and beyond.

From the Pastor

We have recently had a new addition to our family. His name is Larry. Larry is a poodle. And he is in the middle of the delightful puppy stage. He chews on everything. Chases his tail. And he loves to play fetch with his toy witch.

It is wonderful to have this new addition to our family, but I forgot the hard work it is to have a puppy. They can be pretty demanding.

Life can feel demanding for many of us. There are a lot of pressures we face in our daily lives. Others place, sometimes, unfair expectations on our time and talents. Sometimes we do not feel appreciated.

The church should be the exception to such experiences. In the church we should try our best to make sure we show our appreciation for others. Why? Because it is foundational to the Gospel commandment to “love one another.”

Make it a point as you are about church and you see someone doing something to express to them your gratitude for their good works. Let's take time to pay attention to one another and to affirm what others are doing.

Central is such a good church because it is filled with so many good people. People who give themselves

sacrificially and generously to the cause of the church. It happens in small and big ways. I appreciate the ministry of our members. So many good things are happening because we have so many people who take the initiative to do good works. Thanks for being such special people. Your actions are noticed and deeply appreciated. Join me in taking as many opportunities as we can to express our appreciation to others when they are caught doing good work in ministry at Central Christian Church.

Blessings,
Pastor Brent

Operation Christmas Child—Collection Week November 14-21, for Children 2-14

What to include:

WOW item—something the child will immediately see and grab: stuffed animal, doll, football or soccer ball
With pump, harmonica, recorder.

Personal Care—comb, brush, washcloth, soap, toothbrush, bandaides, stick deodorant, nail clippers,
Plastic water bottle, plastic for/spoon/knife

Accessories—sunglasses, hats, scarves, flipflops

School/Crafting Items—pencils and sharpener, crayons, color pads and books, playdough, stickers, markers

Toys—jump rope, foam balls, slinky, yo-yo, deck of cards, hacky sack, fishing kit, garden gloves and trowel, kite,
Hot wheels, plastic animals.

Do NOT include liquids or war related items

Sandy Longhorn Awarded 2016 Porter Prize

Poet Sandy Longhorn, a 2003 graduate of the University of Arkansas Program in Creative Writing and Translation, has been awarded the 2016 Porter Fund Literary Prize. This is one of the state's most prestigious literary awards, presented annually to an Arkansas writer with a substantial and impressive body of work that merits enhanced recognition.

Longhorn will be honored at an award ceremony, Thursday, October 27, at the Main Library's Darragh Center in downtown Little Rock.

The Porter Prize was founded in 1984 by novelist Jack Butler and novelist and lawyer Phil McMath. It honors the late Ben Kimpel, noted professor of English at the University of Arkansas. At Kimpel's request, the prize was named in honor of his mother, Gladys Crane Kimpel Porter. The annual prize, \$2,000, has been given to 30 poets, novelists, non-fiction writers and playwrights. Past winners include Donald Harington, Kevin Brockmeier and, last year, Davis McCombs, director of the U of A Program in Creative Writing and Translation.

Longhorn is the author of three books of poetry: *The Alchemy of My Mortal Form*, which won the 2014 Louise Bogan Award from Trio House Press, *The Girlhood Book of Prairie Myths*, and *Blood Almanac*. She teaches creative writing at the University of Central Arkansas.

-Taken from University of Arkansas website

Sandy is the daughter of Gary and Sharon Longhorn.
Congratulations, Sandy!!

\$Dollars & Sense\$

The month of October is zooming by. The weather has been wonderful. And it looks like the financial figures are going to be good also. We're in the final week so we don't have the final figures, but so far so good. What I will do here is give you figures from the Bazaar.

Income counting soup sales before, the day of sales in all rooms and the sales afterwards is \$9,668.77. The expenses were \$631.45. That leaves a total made of \$9,037.32. That my friends is the result of lots of hard work by lots of people. And let us not forget the fun and fellowship. That should be first on the list.

The Bazaar Room Chairs met Sunday after Worship and the following is how \$1,150 of the profit is going to be dispersed; \$450 to the Salvation Army, \$450 to the House of Hope Capital Campaign, and \$250 to Wayne Sparks, our Custodian, for extra work he did for everyone for Bazaar related things and otherwise.

A Bazaar for next year is on the calendar. We told people this year to come back next year and ride in our elevator. And the noodles just get better and better every year.

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

Come Celebrate and Give Thanks!

Building God's Kingdom (BGK) and Extravagant Hospitality ask you to join together after worship on Sunday, November 20 in Fellowship Hall. We want to praise God for the progress on our building remodel with a Thanksgiving Dinner. It is becoming reality that we will have a larger gathering space and an elevator.

Details of the dinner will follow later, and we do want to designate this as a fundraiser as we are still needing funds for our BGK project. We will be drawing on our line of credit with Farmers State Bank to complete the construction.

Mark your calendars for November 20.

Wendy Brudevold and Sharon Gatewood Co Chairs of BGK
Sue Geisler and Peggy Moore
Co Chairs of Extravagant Hospitality

Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 20
Fellowship Hall
Following worship

Open House at Islamic Community Center of Waterloo/Cedar Falls

The Masjid Al-Noor Islamic Community Center of Waterloo/Cedar Falls cordially invites us to an

Open House
Sunday, October 30, 2016 From 12:00-4:00 pm
1:00 pm Call for afternoon prayer (Azan)
1:15 pm Prayer service

Enjoy tours of the facility, International refreshments, and conversation with your Muslim neighbors.

Question/answer sessions by Imam: Adin Rasidagic
2:00-3:00 pm

Masjid Al-Noor Islamic Center
2110 Sager Ave.
Waterloo, Iowa

[Remember that the Islamic Center is a holy place. Therefore, you are invited to be respectful and to dress modestly. Head covers will be provided for women for the prayer hall. Thank you.]



November 5/6

Bazaar Thanks

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Bazaar! We couldn't have done it without all the many helpful hands who contributed in many ways! Whether you made crafts, baked items, prepared food, peeled potatoes, made and/or decorated cookies, made noodles, picked chicken, made jellies, jams, pickles, candies, set-up rooms, helped during Bazaar in rooms, chaired a room, counted money, bought items, ate in the café, door greeted, helped someone to their car with their purchased items, and on and on, it all added to the success of the day!! You are all appreciated so much!

So now on to next year!! It will be here before we know it!
Many blessings to all!



Set your clocks back one hour before retiring for the night Saturday, November 5th. It will be lighter sooner in the morning and darker sooner in the evening!



Left: the front of the new addition is shaping up with brick added.

Below: Work on the elevator from the outside.

More Construction Pictures- Building God's Kingdom



Prayer Concerns Please pray for.....




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|--------------------|-------------------|
| Joe Brody | Douglas Casteel |
| Linda Sharp | Alice Baker |
| Chet Fredin | L. Brent Cantrell |
| Gary Longhorn | Ann Hewitt |
| Corrinne Brody | Jim Brody |
| Ron Ewoldsen | Norma Brody |
| Darrel Baker | Buzz Blake |
| Maxine Weichers | 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 | |





NOVEMBER 2016



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 NO Elders Mtg.	2 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	3 10:15 am Worship Review 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	4	5 8:00 am Men's Bible Study
6 TIME CHANGE 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour FOOD BANK SUNDAY	7	8 7:00 pm Facilities and Finance Mtg. ELECTION DAY	9 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	10 10:15 am Worship Review 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	11	12
13 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour Ministry Council	14 Noon - Connector Articles Due 6:30 pm DOEs Meals on Wheels Delivery	15	16 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	17 10:15 am Worship Review 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	18	19
20 9:30 am Worship Youth Sunday Hospitality Hour Thanksgiving Dinner after Worship	21 Meals on Wheels Delivery	22 5:00-6:30 pm Small World Art Show 7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service at Westminster Presbyterian Church	23 NO F.R.O.G. Pad	24 	25 Church Office Closed	26 9:00 am Church Decorating for Advent Season
27 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	28 Noon - Connector Articles 6:30 pm DOEs	29	30 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad			

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Touching Others For Christ

SERVING IN NOVEMBER

COMMUNION FILL & WASH

6 Jeremy Hayes
13 Rebecca Damme
20 Niki Annis
27 Niki Annis

DOOR GREETERS

Upper: Rylie Arnold
Lower: Sheila Garwood

ELDERS SERVING 2nd VISITING ELDER

6 Larry Durchenwald	Sharon Longhorn
13 Robin thomas	Gary Eliason
20 Linda Sharp	Brent Thomas
27 Jerry Thordsen	Larry Durchenwald

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 Frances Dillon	20 Cindy Wagner
3 Barb Moeller	22 Lexi Derifield
3 Abigail Hayes	23 Jeremy Brattrud
3 Wayne Riddle	24 Vicki Thordsen
3 Mary Cleope	24 Justin Thomas
5 Carol Mayfield	24 Wendy Jordan
9 Carolyn Sapp	26 Karen Hanson
10 Dave McVey	26 Jeanne Yeager
16 Don Shellenberger	29 Sondra Dyer
16 Phyllis Zager	29 Jack Bullock
18 Joan Kennison	29 Stephanie Hoppe

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12 Jared & Stephanie Hoppe
29 Dave & Judy McVey

