

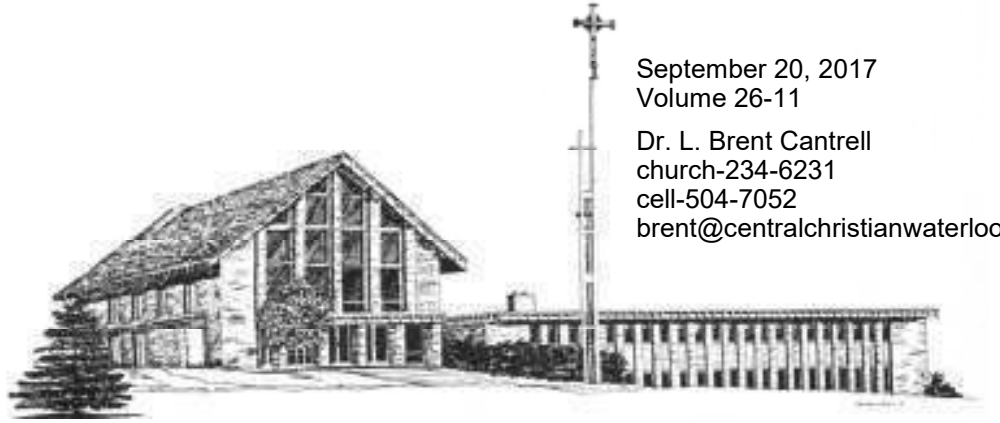


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The CONNECTOR



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

From the Pastor

Life is sometimes messy. At least that is the way life seems to go or me.

The world is filled with messes. We have recently had hurricanes. There are wild fires. An earthquake in Mexico. Tensions are high on the Korean Peninsula. And the list goes on.

But we can also make it personal. Our lives are also messy. My life has its fair share of messes. Yours probably does too. There are challenges we all face. Disease, hardship, finances, depression, relationships, work, and on and on. None of us are immune from having a mess crop in our lives.

It's just messy out there. And this is where the church, Central Christian Church steps in.

The church has a message for those of us whose lives are messy (a little or a lot). Central Christian Church is a safe place to be in a messy world. Isn't that a wonderful message.

Let us share that message far and near. I would just bet you that most people you know or you meet have some degree of mess in their life. Tell them about our church. Tell them our message. Central Christian Church is a safe place to be in a messy world.

Invite them to come in and join us. Why is it safe here? Because God is here? That is the absolute foundation of faith. God is here. This is a place of hope, grace, blessings, and safety.

Let others know. Central Christian Church is a safe place to be in a messy world

Blessings,
Pastor Brent

Thirsty Ladies Bible Study Group

Since we offered in the Connector a possible Ladies Bible Study Group, there have been some questions.

We would like to begin a group of 6-8 ladies. If you are interested, contact Lani at the Church Office.

We will not pick a study until we have a first meeting with those interested.

Your input and interests will determine the study selection. The day of the week, timeframe and meeting location are all open to your thoughts.

BAZAAR

Saturday, October 7
8:00 am—2:00 pm



Kandy Korner

Bring your candy to the Kandy Korner. We are a big seller and a popular spot to everyone. Bring your candy to the church on October 6—Friday. Keep our candy room the most popular room in the Bazaar!

Mike D. and all the
Candy Helpers

Cookie Room

The great cooks of CCC have always been wonderful about baking cookies for the Cookie Room. I am asking you to once again help out with lots of cookies so we can have the best year ever.

Thanks for your help!
Judy McVey

Old Home Treasures

Fall is here and Bazaar is just around the corner! Old Home Treasures is in need of lots of gently used linens, household items, knick knacks, and this and that's! Let's make this the best Bazaar yet!

Thank you, Diane Forney

"CALLING ALL NOODLERS" IT'S THE RETURN OF NOODLE ZOO!

WHEN: Saturday, *September 23*

WHERE: Church Fellowship Hall

TIME: 8:00—12:00 (or anytime you're available)

Everyone who is willing and able is needed to help prepare chicken and noodles for the Fall Bazaar!

Why? There will be **120 pounds of chicken** to 'pick' and **28-30 batches of homemade noodles** to mix, roll, cut, and cook.

A lot of work—absolutely? But it's also great fun when everyone is there working together & visiting.

So.... PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE...

Come be part of the 'NOODLE ZOO' on September 23rd.

Cut Here

BAZAAR 2017 – 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

Chicken Noodle _____ **quarts** **Potato** _____ **quarts**
Ham & Bean _____ **quarts (note: ham & bean/potato ready 10/05/17)**

Name: _____

I will pick up my Chicken & Noodle order:

_____ **Saturday, September 23, 2017 (between 11:00 – 12:00)**

_____ **Sunday, September 24, 2017 (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 22nd ~~

Another Bazaar Note

Holiday Room

Clip it, snip it
Glue or sew

Whatever your passion, please turn it into a treasure for the Holiday Room. We can use table decorations, centerpieces, wall hangings, wreaths, tree decorations, or gift items, for Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Your specialty will delight our guests on Bazaar day and help make Bazaar 2017 our best ever.

Remember, this year all of our proceeds (after our outreach) will go to reducing the debt we have for the building renovations and addition. Your help is very important!

Thanks to all.

Wendy Brudevold

Bazaar
October 7
8:00 am—2:00 pm

Estate Planning

Save the date of Sunday afternoon, October 29 for a very important meeting!!

Kirby Gould from Christian Church Foundation will be present with us to tell us about Estate Planning, Wills and Bequests.

We will announce the time as the day gets closer!

F.R.O.G. Pad

F.R.O.G. Pad began the fall session on Wednesday, September 20 with a hot dog roast around the campfire! All children and youth are encouraged to attend each Wednesday beginning at 5:45 pm.

F.R.O.G. Pad youth and adults will participate in the Feed My Starving Children food packing on October 11th from 4:30 until 6:30 at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

We will also be taking a trip to the Northeast Iowa Food Bank on November 8th from 6:00 until 7:30. All church members are invited to join them! Call the church office, 234-6231, if you would like to attend or if you can help out with F.R.O.G. Pad in any way. Thanks!

Days for Girls Sewing Group— The “Sew Whats?”

The "Sew Whats?" sewing for a cause group will be meeting on **Saturday, Sept. 30th from 9- noon** in Fellowship Hall. We have a large order for girls hygiene kits which will be taken to Tanzania in January. If you are a sewer or not, we could use your help.

These hygiene kits help girls to stay in school during the time of the month when they need extra protection. It allows them to continue their education, graduate from school and advance the lives of themselves and their families.

So far, 800,000 kits have been distributed world wide. The goal of 1 million kits has been set by the DFG International office. Our effort would just be a small part of that goal, but each girl we effect makes it worth the effort.

If you have a sewing machine, you can bring it. If not, we have plenty of non sewing jobs to do also. Please join us and bring a friend.

Carol Mayfield

Wedding Invitation

You are invited to the wedding of
Ashley Reynolds & Andres Fajardo

on Saturday, October 14th
at 4:00 pm

at Central Christian Church.

A reception will follow at the
Waterloo Center for the Arts

225 Commercial St

Waterloo, at 5:00 pm.

Please RSVP to

fajardofiesta@gmail.com or call or text

Ashley at 319-961-7472

Note from Your Secretary

After 29 years as Secretary/Administrative Assistant at Central Christian, I have decided it's time to retire. I believe God led me to Central and now after much prayer I believe He has led me to this decision.

I have submitted a letter of retirement to Pastor Brent and the Ministry Council. I would like this to be effective December 1st and hope I will have the opportunity to train my replacement before that time.

It has been a joy serving the Lord at Central Christian. I have been overwhelmed by the wonderful support I have received over the years. I thank God for the many blessings this position has brought into my life.

This is a wonderful family of faith to be a part of and I plan to continue to be an active member and serve when I can.

Blessings and love to all,

Lani

\$Dollars & Sense\$

The 1st quarter of our Fiscal Year is almost over. I am giving you the facts and figures on August. Income was down some, but so were expenses. That's good when it works out that way. That doesn't usually happen. General Offering was \$12,470. Total income was \$14,153. Total expenses were \$13,817.04. Income and expenses and attendance were right in line with last August.

Just a reminder, both SummerFest and Bazaar profits are going into the Building Fund this year. That's after expenses and 10% of that figure goes to charities of our choice.

Another week and a half and we'll know where we are for September. So far so good.

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

M & M Tubes for Feed My Starving Children

If you still have M & M Tubes that you haven't turned in, please bring them to the church as soon as possible.

Packing for the project will be October 11th. We have 16 adults and youth from F.R.O.G. Pad signed up to help from 4:30 to 6:30 that day.

Prayer Concerns Please pray for.....

Gordon Hekel	Randy Kollmann
Al Conyers	Vicki Thordsen
Linda Sharp	Reva Fredin
Chet Fredin	Maxine Weichers
Carol Mayfield	Mike Deters
Glen Casteel	Mary Cleope
Sue Geisler	Jeanne Yeager
Marilyn Jellings	Pat Reuter Riddle
L. Brent Cantrell	Buzz Blake
Bev Donels	Ann Kirk
Ron Ewoldsen	Norma Brody
Corrinne Brody	Mary Canfield
Helen Miller	Tammy Newcomb
Ann Hewitt	Rachel Kahn
Jaxton Engstrom	Shannon
Ledger Dalton	Gloria Kammeyer
Ramona Adolfs	Benjamin Wellborn
Zeke Bessire	Mark Sawyer
Becky	
Dale & Bobbie Buhl	
All military personnel	

Your Giving, Our Concern

Do you know when you place your cash inside the folded Welcome Card the cash becomes separated from your card and your monetary gift is recorded as a loose offering and not credited to your giving record.

Do you know that when you place your giving inside any of the giving envelopes in the pew racks and you do not put your name on the envelope or indicate where you wish your cash to be applied, we are unable to record your giving nor is it applied as you may have wished to the hurricanes, the Building Fund, or other special fund allocations.

Some of you write more than one check any given Sunday. If writing a check weekly is how you handle your finances, we understand. However, it is not necessary for how we record your giving. One check covering multiple Sundays or months is fine. You may designate your giving in the notation corner of your check how you wish your offering to be divided.

Your Financial Secretary, Assistants and Treasurer endeavor to track every gift to the person giving and to the fund location indicated (Food Bank, Memorial, Special Offerings, Mission Outreach, and many other funds).

We also provide a comprehensive breakdown for each contributor at the end of the year for your financial/tax use.

Some of you may just wish to give without your gift being recorded and we are most appreciative of your giving. Thank you!

The General Fund is the fund account which covers the budget line items: ie. Staff salaries, regular operating bill payments.

Your giving is our concern and we desire to give each person credit for the offering gifts you share with Central.

If you have any questions regarding your giving, please feel free to contact the church office.

Your Financial Secretaries

2017-2018 Service Directory

The 2017-2018 Church Service Directories are available. Pick one or more up in the foyer. Let me know if you have corrections that need to be made.

Thanks!

Lani, 234-6231

Operation Christmas Child Shoebboxes

This year, in addition to individuals filling boxes in October and November, we are collecting items throughout the 2017 year. We will be asking each month for a different themed item so that our FROG youth can pack boxes at the beginning of November (something they all enjoyed doing in 2016). For the month of October the suggestion is...
Letter and Photo

"One thing in the box I won't forget was a picture of a girl and her letter: Heather Roberts from Enon, Ohio. We started writing letters and to this day, nearly 20 years later, we're friends." -Nanor, Middle East

Thank You

We would like to express our thanks to members of Central Christian for the kind words, calls, cards, prayers and memorial gifts at the time of Alvin's death. His 70 years as a member of Central Christian brought him much happiness.

Clemie Marken
Todd Marken &
family

In Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to Toots Weston and her family in the passing of Toots' brother, Chuck Anders.

We express our sincere sympathy to Bev Olds and her family in the passing of Bev's father, Warren Teisinger.

May God's comforting presence be with Toots' and Bev's families during this time of loss and grief.

BAZAAR RAFFLE 2017

Thanks for the support this year. We are still looking for more items or gift cards. On the two Sundays before Bazaar we will be selling tickets so you can be shopping in the other rooms or giving your time Bazaar day.

Here are the items we have so far.....

Gardening/travel wagon	donated by Dave & Nan Kane
Bird Lover's Basket	donated by MariLynn Pierce
Crofton food processor	Anonymous donation
Black & Decker food processor	Anonymous donation
Snail string art	Anonymous donation
Ninja coffee bar	Anonymous donation
P. Buckley Moss eagle print	donated by Elda Watson
Gardening Basket	donated by Foster's
Nu Wave Infra Red Oven	Anonymous donation
2 Nu Wave Pizza Flippers	Anonymous donation
Cardinal Fancy	donated by MariLynn Pierce
Igloo thermos & gardening/fishing stool	donated by Judy McVey & Foster's
Appetizer crock pot	Anonymous donation
Thanksgiving Basket	donated by MariLynn Pierce
5 quart crock pot	donated by Ted's Hardware
\$70 Gilbertville meat bundle	donated by Gilbertville Locker
\$70 Gilbertville meat bundle	donated by Sharon Longhorn
2 - \$50 HyVee gift card	donated by Barb Moeller
\$25 Fareway gift card	donated by Dave Crooks
\$50 Fareway gift card	donated by Wendy Brudevold
Green Bay Packers Football	donated by Green Bay Packers
Kid's wooden wagon with sides and half canopy	donated by Millside Industries
Handmade wooden table lamp	donated by Bob Mayfield
Black & Decker one touch chopper	Anonymous donation



Tickets \$1.00
each or 6 for
\$5.00



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Bazaar Room Chairs

Homemade Goodies - Peggy Moore	Olde Home Treasures - Diane Forney
Cookie Room - Judy McVey	Café - MariLynn Pierce
Carnival Room - Carrie Hageman	Raffle - Sharon Longhorn
General Craft Room - Marian Cook, Annette Ehlers	Hospitality - Sue Geisler
Holiday Craft Room - Wendy Brudevold	Treasurer - Toots Weston
Gently Used Holiday Room - Nan Kane	Publicity - Lani Yates
Kandy Korner - Mike Deters	Chair of Bazaar—Dave Kane
Book Store - Sue Geisler	



October 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>1</i> World Communion Sunday FOOD BANK SUNDAY	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> 6:30 pm Elders Mtg.	<i>4</i> 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	<i>5</i> 10:15 am Worship Review 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<i>6</i> BAZAAR Set up	<i>7</i> 8:00 am—2:00 pm BAZAAR
<i>8</i> 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour Facilities & Finance Ministry Team Mtg.	<i>9</i> Noon Connector Articles Due 6:30 pm DOEs Group Meals on Wheels	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	<i>12</i> 8 am Partners in Ed 10:15 am Worship Review 5 pm Evangelism Mtg. 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<i>13</i> Noon House of Hope Mtg.	<i>14</i> 4:00 pm Men's Bible Study
<i>15</i> 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour Ministry Council Mtg.	<i>16</i> Meals on Wheels	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	<i>19</i> 10:15 am Worship Review 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>22</i> 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour	<i>23</i> Noon Connector Articles Due 6:30 pm DOEs Group	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> 5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	<i>26</i> 10:15 am Worship Review 6:00 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i> 8:00 am Men's Bible Study
<i>29</i> 9:30 am Worship Hospitality Hour TBA Bequest Seminar	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>				

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Touching Others For Christ

SERVING IN OCTOBER

COMMUNION FILL & WASH

1 Kelly Young
8 Sheila Garwood
15 Anita Neessen
22 Nikki Annis
29 Kelly Young

DOOR GREETERS

Upper: Kelly Young
Lower: Bev Olds

ELDERS SERVING 2nd VISITING ELDER

1 Gary Eliason	Toots Weston
8 Brent Thomas	Wendy Brudevold
15 Toots Weston	Bob Mayfield
22 Wendy Brudevold	Sharon Longhorn
29 Bob Mayfield	Gary Eliason

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Barb Mims	7 Kelly Deters	20 Karen Eliason
4 Robin Thomas	7 Judy Mussett	20 Joel Snyder
4 Sam Annis	9 Carol Papenthien	22 Teagan Damme
5 Sylvia Thomas	11 Dustin Yates	23 Stacey Simon
5 Jace Pint	12 Buz Blake	23 Glen Casteel
5 Steve Butikofer	13 Steve Wood	23 Jared Hoppe
5 Jim Butler	13 Kelli Yates	24 Stan Wood
6 Allen Jedlicka	14 Lisa Ellermann	24 Misti Conyers
6 Jake Smalley	18 Francis Moore	26 Alicia Taylor
6 Rylie Arnold	18 Albert Conyers	27 James Brody
6 Alexis Newcomb		28 Jerry Wagner

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

1 Gary & Karen Eliason
3 Ted & Laurie Braaten Reuter
3 Bill & Gloria Kammeyer
4 Mark & Jan Sawyer
12 Kelli & Jim Butler
15 Clint & Tonya Fuller
21 Brett & Christie Sapp
22 Trent & Carrie Hageman
26 Alan & Shiela Carlson
29 Charlie & Barb Mims