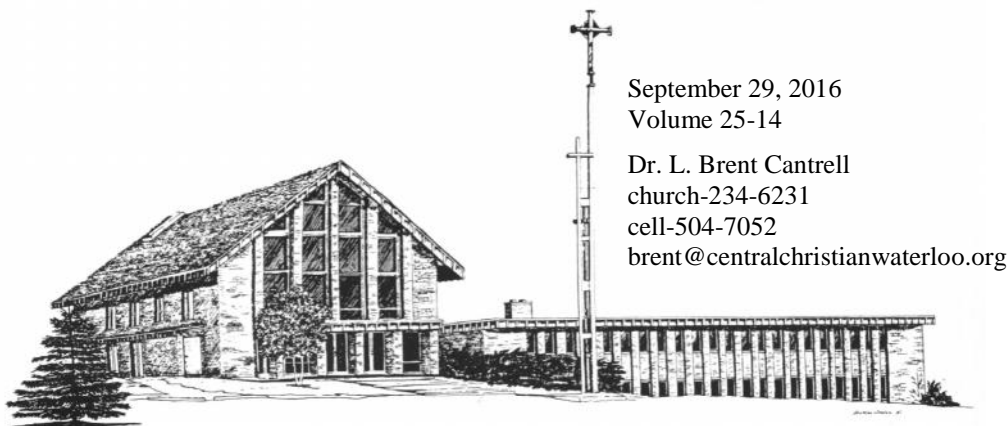


# The CONNECTOR



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

## From the Pastor

I love an old story called "The Legend of Desert Pete." According to the story, a man was walking across a desert in the summer of 1933. He was dying of thirst and desperately needed water. Imagine his relief and delight when he came upon a pump, right out in the middle of the desert. There was a baking-soda can tied to the handle of the pump, and inside the can was a note. The note read: "This pump is all right as of June 1932. I put a new sucker-washer into it, and it ought to last five years. But the washer dies out, and the pump has got to be primed. Under the white rock, I buried a bottle of water. It's out of the sun and all corked up. There's enough in it to prime the pump, but not if you drink some first. So pour about one-fourth of the water in and let her soak to wet the leather. Then pour in the rest, medium-fast, and pump like crazy. You'll get water. The well has

never run dry. Have faith. When you get watered up, fill the bottle up again and put it back like you found it for the next feller. (Signed) Desert Pete. P.S. Don't go drinking up the water first! Prime the pump with it, and you'll get all the water you can hold."

Desert Pete was right in calling people to have faith. But real faith is not confidence in a pump in the desert. Real faith is a total dependence on God and a willingness to do his will. Then we have to take a first step based on that faith. Faith is useless unless we are willing to act on it. This usually involves a bit of risk. When we act on faith instead of fear, God's grace and power are always near.

Just picture each of us in the desert, reading old Desert Pete's note. We're holding that bottle of water in our hands. We're mighty thirsty. Do we drink it or prime the pump? In the final analysis, it's a matter of faith.

Blessings,  
Pastor Brent

## Flu Shot Clinic

We have scheduled a Flu Shot Clinic with the Visiting Nurses for Thursday, October 13th from Noon until 1:00 pm. A sign up sheet is on the church office window.

Medicare Part B and some Medicare Advantage plans pay for the flu shots. Bring your Medicare and all insurance cards with you. If you do not have insurance to cover the shot, it will be \$40.

Sign up soon so we can let the VNA know how much vaccine to save for us! The clinic will be held in the church Library.



## Bazaar—Saturday, October 1st!



Bazaar is almost here!!  
This Saturday—8:00 am—2:00 pm  
(breakfast for staff at 7:00 am)

Be here to help, shop, and have a fun day!!  
And invite everyone you know to be here, too!





Yes, the packing event for Feed My Starving Children is coming up—the second week after Bazaar, October 10-12. It will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church on Kimball. It is a well-organized way to pack a nourishing meal for six people in one bag, assembly-line style.

If you haven't experience this, sign up on the clipboard Sunday to help from noon to 2:00 pm on Wednesday, October 12, 2016.

Feed the hungry of our country and around the world.

Sharon Gatewood  
Risk-taking Outreach  
Ministry Team

## Reconciliation Special Offering

Jesus says: "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift."

(Matthew 5:23-24, NRSV)

The assumption in the text is that Reconciliation is an urgent disposition. The scripture says, before you do anything in worship, before you worship Me with your gifts, be Reconciled. God created us to live harmonious lives with each other.

Current events with police-community relations, worshipers being killed in Bible Study, churches burning and churches providing safe haven offer abundant opportunity to **move** together and **heal** together as the body of Christ.

Through your generous giving, doors are opening! When you give to Reconciliation Ministry, you are supporting the development of young leaders, promoting conversation models for congregations and community groups and enabling Regional granting programs that enliven our camps and congregational ministry. Your giving ultimately restores the beloved community that is "inextricable **bound** together in a network of mutuality," empowering all of God's family to be fully whole.



**Save the Date—CROP Walk—October 9th—  
1:30 pm— Northeast Iowa Food Bank**



## Meet Wayne Sparks

If you haven't had a chance to meet our new Custodian and Maintenance Facilitator stop in during the week to meet him! Wayne has been with us for almost four months and is "settling in" very well.

Wayne has been married to Michaela for 30 years and has four children and six grandchildren. He worked for Wonderbread for 33 years and was then full time Custodian at First Congregational Church for 15 years before retiring. Wayne decided a part time job would be something he would enjoy so he is now with us and we are very glad to have him!

Wayne's hobbies include exercising, doing puzzles, and he enjoys golf although doesn't play much anymore. He says he loves people! He and Michaela are active at Cedar Valley Community Church.

Wayne works twenty hours a week and is usually at the church between 11:30 am and 3:30 pm.

We welcome Wayne to our staff at Central Christian!



## Building God's Kingdom Pictures



## 50th Wedding Anniversary

All are welcome to join us in celebrating our mom and dad's (Karen and Gary Eliason) 50th Wedding Anniversary with an Open House October 2nd from 2:00-6:00 pm at Gateway Park in Cedar Falls,

Hope to see you there.

Thanks,

Tammy and Wendy

## Central Christian Partner in Education, Lou Henry School Needs....

Our Partner in Education, Lou Henry Elementary School has some clothing and School needs.....

Pants - boys and girls in medium and small sizes...colors- black, navy blue or khaki.

Belts -- small and medium in plain colors.

Back Packs

Plain cover spiral wide lined notebooks.  
Plain cover folders (no tabs with pockets)

If you can help with these needs, please bring the items to the church office. Thank you!!



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

Joe Brody	Douglas Casteel
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	

## Classroom and Office Supplies Needed for Small World Preschool

### Items found at Wal-Mart, Dollar Tree, Target

Cotton balls	Food coloring	Scotch tape
Masking tape	Packing tape	Double sided tape
White card stock	Copy paper	Hair gel (cheap kind)
Stationary cards and envelopes (any occasion)		
Outdoor toys (buckets, shovels, sifters, trucks)		
Sharpies—all colors (regular and fine tip)		
Laminating sheets (size 8.5" x 11")		
Clorox Anywhere Spray		
Gift cards accepted too (Staples, Target, WalMart)		

### Crafting supplies—found at Hobby Lobby, Michaels or if you have any items at home

Colorful craft Pipe cleaners	Crafting Pom Poms
Beads, Buttons	Ribbon-various types
Dobbers or Dab-a-dots	Stickers
Construction paper—any color	Colored stamps pads
Foam shapes (usually sold in bags or buckets)	

# Bazaar Raffle Items

**Tickets are  
\$1.00 or 6 for \$5**

- 1 Hour Plane Ride donated by Mike Papenthien
- Large furniture styled beverage cooler for patio donated by Fosters
- \$70.00 Meat Bundle from Gilbertville Locker
- Another \$70.00 Meat Bundle
- \$50.00 Casey's gift Card donated by Gordon Hekel
- Holy Family Statue
- 4 Snow Village Pieces
- Kitchen Basket donated by Linda Sharp
- Ice Cream Basket with \$50.00 Hansen's Gift Card donated by MariLynn Pierce
- 2 Large Framed Harry Antis numbered Nature Photos, Woodland Prince and Thunderbird donated by Karen & Gary Eliason
- \$50.00 Walmart Gift Card donated by Niki Annis
- NFL Chicago Bears Basket, \$100.00 Value donated by Sam Annis
- Four Tickets to the 2016 UNI/South Dakota State Football Game November 19 donated by UNI Athletic Department
- Bath and Body Works Spa Package donated by Linda Sharp
- Nascar Package donated by Jim & Kelli Butler
- Panini Grill
- Green Bay Packers Signed Football donated by the Green Bay Packers

-Sharon Longhorn, Chair of Raffle

## CAFÉ CENTRAL

### Bazaar 2016

Experience the EXTRAORDINARY HOSPITALITY of Central's Café! –

We love seeing all of you, of course -- but it's not only for you.

Invite friends, family, neighbors ... EVERYONE you know ... to the wonderful food and friendly laughter at Central's Bazaar Café.



Breakfast:	Lunch:
Staff: 7:00 AM	10:30 AM– 1:30 PM
Public: 8:00 – 10:30 AM	
Pecan & Cinnamon Rolls      \$1.00	Chicken Noodle Plate      \$6.00 ~ green beans/relishes/roll
Cheesy Egg Casserole / Ham / Apple Wedge      \$4.50	Sloppy Joe Plate      \$4.50 w/baked beans, chips, relishes
	Ham & Bean ~/-~ Potato Soup      \$3.00
	Sloppy Joe / Soup Combo      \$5.00
Orange Juice/IceTea/Lemonade 50¢ (Coffee FREE!)	Desserts (homemade pies & cakes!) \$1.00

Invite a Friend to Lunch!

(Help us meet our goal of serving a total of 350 people in the Café)

**NOTE:** All-Staff kickoff breakfast will be served at 7:00 AM.

## Book Store



**Bazaar**  
**Saturday,**  
**October 1**  
**8:00 am—2:00 pm**

## Carnival Room



## Cookie Room



## General Craft Room



## Homemade Goodies Room

## Olde Home Treasures Room



## Holiday Craft Room



## Gently Used Holiday Room



## Kandy Korner

## Raffle



## Cafe



## **Bazaar Room Chairs**

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



**Lots of Pies, Cakes, Baked Goods and Cookies Needed for the Café, Homemade Goodies Room and**





# OCTOBER 2016



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <span style="font-size: 4em; font-family: cursive;">October</span>						1 7:00 am Breakfast for Bazaar Staff  8 am - 2 pm BAZAAR
2  9:30 am Worship Wiggly Worship  Hospitality Hour FOOD BANK SUNDAY	3	4  7:00 pm Elders Mtg.	5  8:00 am Partners in Education at Lou Henry School  5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	6  10:15 am Worship Review 6 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	7	8
9  9:30 am Worship Wiggly Worship Hospitality Hour 1:30 pm CROP Walk meet at Northeast Iowa Food Bank	10  Noon - Connector Articles Due  Meals on Wheels Delivery	11  7:00 pm Facilities & Finance Mtg.	12  5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	13  10:15 am Worship Review Noon-1:00 pm FLU SHOTS 6 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	14	15  8:00 am Men's Bible Study
16  9:30 am Worship Wiggly Worship Hospitality Hour Ministry Council Mtg.  RECONCILIATION SPECIAL OFFERING	17  Meals on Wheels Delivery	18	19  5:45 pm F.R.O.G. Pad	20  10:15 am Worship Review 6 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	21	22
23 9:30 am Worship Wiggly Worship  Hospitality Hour 30 9:30 am Worship Wiggly Worship Hospitality Hour	24 Noon - Connector Articles Due  7:00 pm DOEs Group 31	25	26  5:45 pm Fall Costume Party	27  10:15 am Worship Review 6 pm Bell Rehearsal 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	28	29

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## Touching Others For Christ

### SERVING IN OCTOBER

#### COMMUNION FILL & WASH

2 Kelly Young  
9 Rylie Arnold  
16 Bev Olds  
23 Jeremy Hayes  
30 Kelly Young

#### DOOR GREETERS

Upper: Kelly Young  
Lower: Lonnie & Pam Barker

#### ELDERS SERVING

2 Elda Watson  
9 Mike Deters  
16 Sharon Longhorn  
23 Gary Eliason  
30 Brent Thomas

#### 2nd VISITING ELDER

Robin Thomas  
Linda Sharp  
Jerry Thordsen  
Elda Watson  
Mike Deters

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Barb Mims	11 Dustin Yates
4 Robin Thomas	12 Buzz Blake
4 Sam Annis	13 Steve Wood
5 Danielle Brackin	13 Kelli Yates
5 Sylvia Thomas	14 Lisa Ellermann
5 Jace Pint	18 Francis Moore
5 Steve Butikofer	20 Karen Eliason
5 Jim Butler	22 Teagan Damme
6 Allen Jedlicka	23 Stacey Simon
6 Jake Smalley	23 Glen Casteel
6 Rylie Arnold	23 Sharon Potter
6 Alexis Newcomb	23 Jared Hoppe
7 Kelly Deters	24 Stan Wood
7 Caysie Sapp	26 Alicia Taylor
8 Gerald Wolf	27 James Brody
9 Carol Papenthien	28 Jerry Wagner

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

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

