

The Call

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)
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October 3, 2023

Sermon Title and Scriptures
October 8, 2023
Romans 14:1-12
"Accountable"

Sermon Title and Scripture
October 15, 2023
Philippians 1:21-30
"Living in Christ"

Our Outreach Crosslines Day

Not only can providing food to others help sustain life, but it can also bring a spark of hope. Acts of kindness can give people the belief that there is still good in the world and that things will get better. As we have heard for the past few weeks, we have an obligation to love one another how they need to be loved. In helping out Crosslines, in their food pantry, we have the ability to show everyone they are loved and cared for in this world. This is a wonderful ministry that is provided for the city of Springfield and surrounding areas, and we are privileged to be able to share in that ministry. The 2nd Tuesday of every month our church assists in helping those who are in need find that need.

On September 12 we were able to serve and help 96 families with groceries.

If you would like to participate in this ministry, or just have questions about what takes place, you can contact the church office or you can talk to those who help on Tuesday: Bob & Dorothy Thurman, Don Horton, Ray Lowry, and Carolyn Deeds.

The next Crosslines Day will be on October 10th.

Helping Boyd Elementary

Boyd Elementary will be going through the re-certification process for the International Baccalaureate Program the week of Oct.9-13. We have been asked if we could provide some snacks for the teachers, while they go though this process. We are going to be putting together a spread of apples, bananas, oranges, cheese crackers, peanut butter crackers, and cookies. A sign-up sheet was placed on the desk outside the church office on Sunday and some have already signed up to bring items to help us. If you would like to donate some of the items needed for this, please contact the office to see what is needed or sign up this Sunday morning.

We are asking that all donations be brought to the church by Tuesday, October 10th at Noon. That will give us enough time to put everything together and to deliver it to Boyd that afternoon so the teachers can enjoy everything the next day. Thank you for your support of all we do in our community.

Congregational Concerns

Ada Jones **Greg Walton** Cheryl Horton Jim & Elaine Spradlin Kitty Manary Wilma Frazier Virginia Thomas Glendon Walker Lisa Lynch Ginger Williamson Howard McCov Mike & Robin Shirley, Friends of Ray & Sharon Lowry Larry Graham Vicky Claborn Annie Anderson, Daughter of Charlie & Carol Mabry Gary Wright Rebecca Ebert, Daughter of Ray & Sharon Lowry Rex Biggs Duane & Dana Powell Patty Soukup Frank & Pat Dodd Betty Jo Gardner Lynda McCoy Paula Walton Gloria Brown and family Dan Hicks Steve Vestal Victoria McIlwain William Francis Jean Hagerman Winnie Young Greg & Teresa Tursso Robert & Beth Taylor Don Nix Barb Rossetter Shirley Potter Evelyn Looney Nan Olmsted Paul Martin James Willingham Diana Criger Karen Hahn Karen Sunderwirth Zach D., Friend of Jayden W. Tammy Larimore, friend of Carol Pyles Joyce Prince, sister of Wilma Frazier Barbara Richardson & Leslie Clements, mother & sister of Vicky Claborn Scott Biggs, son of Marilyn (Starnes) & Rex Biggs

Livestream our Sunday morning service—starting at 9:30—at www.centralchristianspringfield.org. Connect with us on social media:



SUBSCRIBE to our YouTube channel at Central Christian, Springfield, MO

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FINANCIALS & ATTENDANCE

9/24/2023

General Fund Contributions: \$1,784.17 Attendance: 74 Online service views: 47*

10/1/2023

General Fund Contributions: \$7,686.00 Attendance: 85 Online service views: 36*

*As of 10/2/2023

	October 8	October 15	October 22
Elders	Everett Deeds Joe Pyles	Dorothy Thurman Carol Pyles	Larry Graham Cal Wise
Deacon Team Leader	Patsy Tipton	Bill Fischer	Everett French
Invocation and Offering	Carol Pyles	Carolyn Deeds	Kay Parrish
Communion & Fellowship Prep.	Darrell & Linda Zweerink		Bob & Dorothy Thurman
Usher	Jan & Christine Peter	Ginger Williamson	
Greeter			Ginger Williamson

In our Prayers

Elsewhere in our newsletter we have our prayer list but there are some times when we need to uplift those in our congregation who are in need of our prayers, our thoughts, and our sympathy.



We embrace in Christian sympathy the family of

Brian P. Wise

Son of Cal and Linda Wise

who passed away on October 1, 2023

The service for Brian will be held at

Greenlawn East on Thursday, October 5 at 6pm.

Praise List

When a name gets put onto our prayer list we often give reasons and ask everyone to keep them in their prayers for what it is they are going through. Many times the names will get taken off our list with no explanation and more often than not the names get taken off for good and wonderful reasons. From time to time we are going to take the time and to give praise and thanks for our prayers being heard and for the good things that God does in our world. If you would like to share your joy and praise for prayer and the works of God, please let the church office know.

<u>Greg Walton</u>—moved from the hospital to rehab and now has returned to his home. <u>Howard McCoy</u>—back surgery went well and his recovery is going strong as he is almost no longer using a cane.

Kay Corder—Eye surgery went well. She is back to doing everything she wants to do and to top everything off, she can see!

<u>Dan Hicks</u>—his procedure went very well and he is feeling much better than he did the last time he had the procedure.

<u>Ginger Williamson</u>—Her surgery went well. She is doing well and has recovered.

<u>Elaine Spradlin</u>—Her cancer scans have been good. No new growth, spots on ribs are gone. Her chemo pill is being reduced.

Around the Church

The work on our church steeple has been completed!







FOR SUNDAY MORNING

There are still some Sunday mornings where we need some assistance to help with our fellowship and our worship service.

If you would like to help us on a Sunday morning, please pick an open Sunday on the list outside of the church office and place your name. This is a wonderful way to help on a Sunday morning, to interact with everyone in our church, and to participate in our worship service.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office and we will answer any, and all, you might have.

OCTOBER 8



OCTOBER 15



Celebrations!!!



<u>September</u>

9/6 – Linnea Deeds, Susan Haynes 9/7 – Carol Pyles, Jeremiah Williamson 9/9 – Kathy Osborne 9/13 – Ginger Williamson

<u>9/15</u> – Pat Dodd, Martha Williams

<u>9/16</u> – Ellen Grier <u>9/17</u> – Nan Olmsted 9/19 – Marilyn Biggs 9/20 – Isabel Deeds, David Lane, Shirley Musser

<u>9/21</u> – John Hicks, Kitty Manary

9/26 – Karen Fischer

<u>9/27</u> – Lisa Lynch



October

10/01 – Carolyn Deeds

10/2 - Vicky Claborn

10/3 – Bailey Deeds

10/6 – Ian Frazier

10/7 – Sandy Wingo

10/8 – Luther Young,

Elizabeth

Bermond

10/9 – Stephen Powell

10/12 - Michael

Penland

10/15 – Bob Thurman

10/16 - JB McCoy

10/17 - Bob Newman

10/19 – Isaac Thomas

10/20 – Anna Marie Walker

10/23 – Virginia

Thomas

10/24 – Lisa Monkres

10/26 - Maryann

Wakefield

10/27 – Bob Lynch,

Betty Roberts

10/29 – Julie Ferguson

10/31 – Paula Walton

In the Community

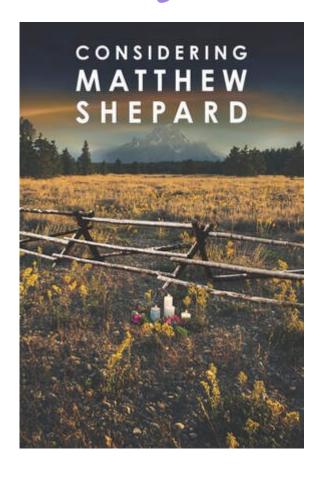
CONSIDERING MATTHEW SHEPARD

A Special Event Presented in Collaboration with Springfield Chamber Chorus Music and Lyrics by Craig Hella Johnson Text by Michael Dennis Browne, Lesléa Newman, Craig Hella Johnson Music Directed by Alex Huff Staged by Rick Dines

Featured Soloists include Rebecca Claborn, Taylor Dunkel, Amanda Hake, Theron LePage, Jaxson Marte, Kelly Osborne, Robert Reed, Sharon Reed, Chris Thompson, Tabitha Tracy & M. Colin Years

In October of 1998, Matthew Shepard, a young gay student at the University of Wyoming in Laramie was kidnapped, severely beaten, tied to a fence, and left to die in a lonely field under a blanket of stars. Five days later, when Matt passed away, the world was watching. Honoring the 25th Anniversary of Shepard's passing, SCT and Springfield Chamber Chorus present this Grammynominated fusion oratorio which speaks with a fresh and bold voice, incorporating a variety of musical styles. Johnson sets a wide range of soulful texts by poets including Lesléa Newman, Michael Dennis Browne, and Rumi alongside passages from Matt's personal journal, interviews and writings from his parents Judy and Dennis Shepard.

October 12-13, 2023
Evenings at 7:30pm
Historic Fox Theatre,
157 Park Central Square



Reserved Seat Tickets:

\$25 Adults \$22 Seniors/ Students \$10 Student Rush

Single tickets, excluding student rush, subject to \$3 convenience fee and \$2 facility fee.

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Return Service Requested

Specially prepared for:

Sunday Mornings
9:30 am Worship, in person
and via our Livestream
10:45 am Fellowship
11:00 am Sunday School

Ministry Team

Bill Fischer, Board Moderator
Rev. Geoff Weinman, Minister
Marvin Murphree, Music Director
Vicky Claborn, Organist/Pianist
Shirley Musser, Visitation Director
Joyce Thomas, Children & Youth Director
Curtis Thomas, JYF/Chi Rho Shepherd
Hunter Mayo, Worship & Wonder Shepherd
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