

# Central Christian Church **Banner**



**November 2016**

## A Note from our Pastor, Rev. Bill Russell

There is no way to describe the success of our Autumn Evening celebration. Just allow me to say that you are an incredible group of people, the hardest working I have ever known, and God surely blesses your work. I am privileged to be a part of this congregation, and I thank you for your many expressions of love and appreciation during October. Now, we look forward to November, Thanksgiving, and the beginning of Advent, which is Sunday, November 27. During Advent we will be looking at a Bible study called SCROOGE, a study of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol and how we find a subliminal Christmas message in this familiar classic. I would urge each of you to revisit an old friend and read A Christmas Carol before Advent begins; I think you are all in for an unexpected message from Ebenezer Scrooge. Happy Fall!

## An Autumn Evening



This year's Autumn Event was held on a beautiful fall evening, October 15. As always, the evening was enjoyed by members and visitors alike.

## An Autumn Evening in Pictures



Lots of great Silent Auction Items, do we have any University of Memphis Fans here?



Thanks to Bridget for being in charge of the Wine Pull this year!!





## DWM News and Events



This is a gentle reminder to those who took the challenge to donate one over-the-counter medication per month to the Compassion Neighborhood Clinic. With allergy season and the upcoming cold and flu season, items of this sort will be greatly appreciated. Remember you can purchase these items at the Dollar Tree for just \$1. We also accept cash to purchase the items for you. If this is the method you choose, please forward to Kathy Young, our DWM Treasurer, and she will purchase the items for you. A box is placed in the Fellowship Hall to collect your goods. Following is a list of much needed items, and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Linda Johnson at 901-754-2494.

Cough Medicine

Allergy Medicine

Aspirin

Acetaminophen

Ibuprofen

# BAKE SALE



The DWM will hold its traditional Election Day Bake Sale on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 from 7:00 AM until all goods are sold. Micki Artman will oversee the sale and will need volunteers to help staff the sale. We anticipate a large turn-out, as Central is one of the most well-attended voting precincts in the city and would love to offer our usual large selection of baked goods. Please ask your family and friends to help support us in raising funds for one or more of our ministries, either by baking for, or purchasing from, our bake sale.

All goods require a label that identifies the item as well as the name of the person who baked the item. We ask that you have your baked goods at the Church by Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, to allow for pricing and set-up by the time the polls open at 7:00 AM Tuesday morning. You may drop your items off at the Church on Monday between 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help staff the sale, please contact Micki Artman at 901-340-7396 or Diane, during church office hours at 901-276-2708.

Thank you for your continued support.

Linda Johnson, President  
Disciple Women's Ministries

# Thanksgiving

## Thanksgiving Baskets

During November we will be collecting food for the Thanksgiving Baskets. As usual we are planning to distribute at least 12 of these baskets containing all the ingredients for a family Thanksgiving meal. We need the following:

12 Turkeys	24 Boxes of stuffing Mix
12 Gallons Milk	24lbs Butter
12 Pkgs Spaghetti	24 large cans Turnip Greens
12 Spaghetti Sauce	24 Boxes Instant Potatoes
12 bottles Hot Sauce	24 Bottles Ranch Dressing
12 Bags Fresh Fruit	24 Boxes Mac & Cheese
12 Rolls Aluminum Foil	24 Pkgs Rolls
12 Packets of Cakes or Cookies	

Any other food items are appreciated and will be distributed according to need. Cash donations are welcomed, if you prefer that we shop for you. Checks should be made payable to Central Christian Church. Please let us have your donations by November 13th. The baskets will be delivered on November 20 after church. Volunteers for delivery are needed.



## Thanksgiving Offering 2016

During this Thanksgiving season you can make a contribution to the Thanksgiving Special Offering that will help ensure that our young people who pursue an education in religion/ministry are motivated to Come Home to the Disciples Ministry.

Coming home to a Disciples College or Theological School is possible through the scholarships and grants that are made available by generous individuals, the Disciples Mission Fund and your gifts to the Thanksgiving Offering.

The Special Offering will be collected November 6 and 13th.

Outreach Committee

## More Autumn Evening Pictures



This year we added a Live Auction to our event. These were some of the items offered. Stan Norwood from Kingsway was a fabulous auctioneer.



Clay Artman and Reece Sides—Assistants Extraordinaire



Some of the attendees enjoying the event





## Announcements

The Disciple Women's Ministries will host its traditional Thanksgiving Luncheon and Program on Sunday, November 13, 2016 immediately following our worship service. The cost is \$5.00 and will include a delicious meal with a meaningful program. Please accept our invitation to attend.



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### **REGIONAL MINISTER INSTALLATION**

It is with great anticipation and excitement that we celebrate the Installation of Rev. Dr. Christal L. Williams as Regional Minister and President of the Christian Church in Tennessee! May this serve as a personal invitation to every Tennessee Disciple congregation to participate in the event.

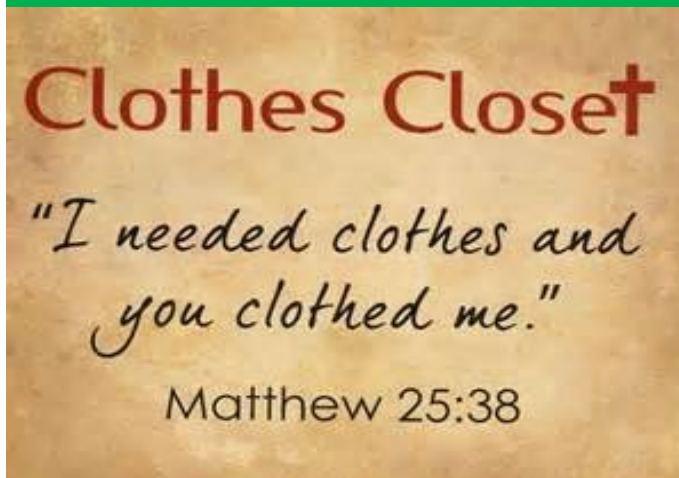
INSTALLATION SERVICE—Woodmont Christian Church in Nashville at 3:00 PM, reception to follow.



In honor of the upcoming marriage of Wesley Goodnight and Emily Jenkins, you are invited to attend a luncheon immediately after church on Sunday, November 6, 2016, Please join us for food and fellowship as we offer our best wishes to Wesley and Emily.

## Clothes Closet

## Above & Beyond



It is time for the Clothes Closet again. We will have the Clothes Closet this Saturday, November 5 from 8:00 am—10:00 am. Volunteers are needed for Saturday morning and for the Friday night work night from 6-8 pm.



As members of Central Christian Church we repeatedly go above and beyond the expectations of others. As we are coming close to the financial year end at Central, we would ask that all our members and friends of the church bring their pledges current and continue the Central tradition by making an "Above and Beyond" financial gift to the church.

Financial Committee

## Beyond the Bars - Karat Place



The mission is to be faithful followers of Jesus; focusing on reaching out into the community by ministering to and serving others, through love.

Pastor Bill Russell and the Christian Women's Fellowship have always remembered the Karat Place ladies whenever there is an event at the Church.

For many, many years Disciples Kathleen Young and Gloria Jeffery have invited the Karat Place ladies to come "shop 'til they drop" after each of two rummage sales.

They prepare and present Christmas gifts of needed and requested items to the ladies.

This year, a financial gift was sent to Karat Place in honor of the Mothers at the Church for Mother's Day.

Thank you for CCC showing your love for us.



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## This Month at Central

Sunday 6th  
19:45 am Bible Class  
10:45 am Worship Service  
11:45 am Special Board Meeting

Service Leader: John Bennett  
Loaf: Kathy Young  
Cup: George Goodnight

Wednesday 9th

6:30 Wednesday Night Dinner & Program

Sunday 13th  
9:45 am Bible Class  
10:45 am Worship Service

Service Leader: Daphne Brown  
Loaf: Mark Rutledge  
Cup: Richard Brown

Wednesday 16th

6:30 Thanksgiving Dinner & Program

Sunday 20th  
9:45 am Bible Class  
10:45 am Worship Service

Service Leader: Kathy Young  
Loaf: Debra Goodnight  
Cup: John Bennett

Wednesday 23rd

6:30 pm No Dinner

Sunday 27th  
9:45 am Bible Class  
10:45 am Worship Service

Service Leader: Carol Scarberry  
Loaf: George Goodnight  
Cup: Daphne Brown

Wednesday 30th

6:30 pm Wednesday Night Dinner & Program

### Church Calendar for November

27th  
First Sunday in Advent

### Birthdays

14th  
Father Tommy  
Sheppard

26th  
Debra Goodnight

27th  
Tami Taylor

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