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A Note from our Pastor, Rev. Bill Russell



There is no way I can properly say thank you for all your prayers and thoughts and kindnesses during my illness. I am truly humbled by your love and concern and I credit my recovery to the power of many effectual, fervent prayers. Very simply, thank you. Also, to Kathy Young, thank you for so seamlessly stepping in for me as if she brought the message every week. I am excited about being back with you soon as we head toward Thanksgiving and then the joy of the Advent Season.

We continue to walk a perilous road, my friends. Please be safe, stay well, and continue to know that our God is a good God and He goes with us each step of the way.



News Ya' Gotta Read!

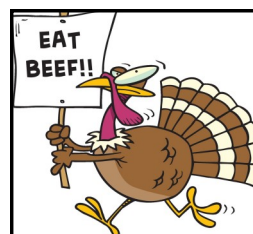
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Feline friends of Central Christian Church “paws” to enjoy the early days of fall. Comfortably seated is *Batman*, and enviously looking from above is *Tinkerbelle*. Both recognize Diane Senger as their personal caregiver. Surprise, surprise!

WORSHIPING AT CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH



Pictured above is Kathy Young bringing the message to our church.



As you are aware, our minister Bill Russell had to step away from pulpit duties to take care of his health for a few weeks. He had a brief stay at Baptist East Hospital, followed by several days of physical therapy. The good news is that Bill is back home.

While Bill was away Kathy Young brought a spiritual message from the pulpit and Layne Wilson a separate program of inspirational music.

The Worship Committee would like to give a heartfelt thanks to Kathy and Layne for helping to continue worshiping at Central during these challenging times.



Pictured above is Layne Wilson playing a special program of inspirational music.



With Sympathy

Members of Central Christian Church extend their sympathy to the family of Betty Lou Jones. Betty was a long time member and a friend to everyone at Central. God has blessed us at Central to have had her presence with us. We at Central will miss her smile, her heart-warming laugh, and the love she had for all of us.

IT'S OFFICIAL!

The church will reopen for in-person worship at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 22. Board members on the October 15th

Conference call discussed the pros and cons for the reopening, including steps needed to ensure personal safety of the worshipers.

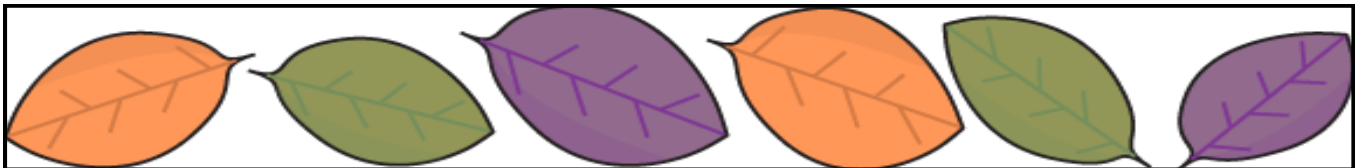
A draft outline of safety procedures we will need to follow in the Sanctuary will be sent to Central's families in early November.



PARAMEDIC TESTING AT CENTRAL

Saturday, October 24th was an important day in the life of Central Christian Church. On that day Central opened its doors as a site for testing and qualifying those individuals ready to be new paramedics. Once the candidate has successfully completed every phase of testing, she or he will be able not only work in the state of Tennessee, but will be certified to cross state lines throughout the U.S. as emergencies arise.

Candidates have come from states such as Missouri, Louisiana, Georgia, and Mississippi. In the photo on the left, Lori, from Mississippi, demonstrates the *cardiac test*.

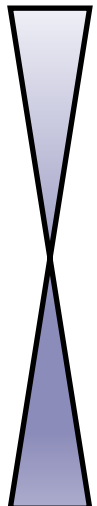
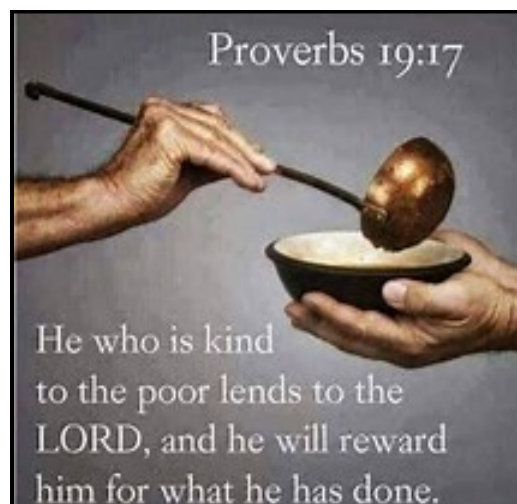


FILL THE BASKETS!

The COVID-19 virus will not stop members at Central when it comes to filling Thanksgiving Baskets. This year collecting food for the needy will be slightly different. Instead of *us* doing the shopping, Rachel Greer has suggested that we purchase gift cards from one of the local groceries so that the recipient family may shop for food they would like to have this Thanksgiving. The goal is to feed 10 families from the Binghampton neighborhood.

The Outreach Committee is asking Central's members to send their donations to the church by November 19th. The money

collected will be divided equally and food gift cards will be given to the 10 families. To date, a gift of \$50 has been received to help feed those in need this Thanksgiving.



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YEP! A REAL “POP UP” YARD SALE

In order to provide snacks, water, and boxed beverages to the voters standing in the long lines, John Rainey and Mark Rutledge thought that those waiting might need some nourishment before they enter the Fellowship Hall to vote. To help provide some snacks, the fear-some two-some decided to raise money by having an impromptu “pop up” yard sale at the church on Saturday, October the 3rd. Starting Thursday evening on the 1st, John and Mark put together items left over from previous church Summer Sales along with newly donated items such as clothes and kitchen items. With the help of Diane Senger, the team raised \$208 toward the purchase of food and beverages for the *Snack Basket*. Left-over food will be given to the *Snack Bag* Ministry. (Also see October *Banner*)



November at Central

Birthdays

Diane Senger
11/18
Debra Goodnight
11/26



Church Calendar for November

1 - Time Change
3 - National Election
10 - Compassion Clinic
11 - Veterans Day
24 - Compassion Clinic
26 - Thanksgiving



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