# Happy New Year! JANUARY 2022



## Message from Rev. Bill



hvmn called Another Year is Dawning. It was in the 1953 Disciples Hymnal, but not in our present Chalice Hymnal. great reminder of the opportunities a new year offers to each of us. I give you the last verse as a re-

minder of things that we have to anticipate in 2022:

> Another year of mercies, of faithfulness and grace. Another year of gladness in the shining of your face. Another year of progress, another year of praise, Another year of proving

> > Your presence all the days.

What can WE do, what can YOU do, to make our world more like the Kingdom that God desires?

The ball is squarely in our court. A Happy and Healthy New Year to all of you.



### A Xmas Gift From the Lindemans!

Sunday worship on December 23rd had a very special gift from Russell Lindeman. Russell, accompanied on the piano by his mom Amy Lindeman, sang Mary Did You Know? Everyone gave Russell a well-deserved applause.





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### Xmas Advent Wreath Is Back!

For several Christmases the Advent Wreath created by Central's own Floyd Scarberry stood out front of the church on McLean Blvd. Last year, due to

"you-know-what" pandemic, the wreath did not make a showing. However, with the help of John Rainey and his crew, the Advent Wreath once again was on display in front of the church.

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### Wow! More Donations!

One Sunday afternoon after church services, Central's Custodian John Rainey was preparing to do some work around the kitchen and Fellowship Hall. According to John, he had been outside in the



Newly Found Gifts

back parking lot to feed the birds and take out some trash. He saw nothing unusual - that is, until he was heading back inside the kitchen and found lots and lots of clothing, yard sale items, and two special shoe boxes of gifts for a boy and a girl. Who left them at the kitchen door? No one knows, but John feels sure that is the same person or persons who have been leaving items throughout 2021.







In the above photo on the left, John Rainey, Chairman of the Outreach Committee, holds the two shoe boxes that were left outside the kitchen door. The two other photos above show more information about the gifts. Rachel Greer of *Rachel's Kids* was contacted to help Central distribute the gifts to a young child. Items in each box include socks, games, and some personal items. The Outreach Committee would like to thank the "mysterious donor" to helped brighten a child's Christmas.

### CENTRAL ARTISAN AT WORK

Beside a fantastic and tasty Christmas Family Dinner provided by Linda Johnson and her crew, the Wednesday Night Dinner was treated to a moving and wonderful Christmas narration that only Bill Russell could bring. However, that was not the end of the events that night.

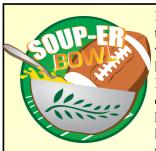


John Bennett

John Bennett, who is known for his acrylic art work and hand-made wooden toys, asked those who attended the Christmas dinner to help with a special project that he had been working on for several month. As most of Central's members already know, one of John's other talents is knitting caps and scarfs for those in need dur-

ing the winter months. John noted that to date he had supplied about 80 hats to the homeless mission on Winchester. However, he needed "more supplies" (i.e. yarn!). To help raise funds to buy more yarn, John auctioned off a handsome Christmas scarf and hat. The lucky recipient from the bidding was Outreach Chairman John Rainey. Mr. Rainey later said that he would pass it on to someone in need on the streets.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

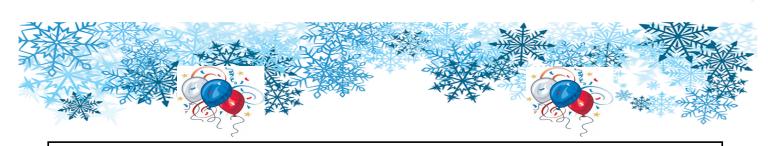


It has been a fun-filled tradition at Central to take advantage of the big sports event known as *Super Bowl Sunday*. However, members at Central came up with the fun idea to have fellowship and enjoy a hearty meal before watching the Super Bowl on TV. It will

have been almost two years since the church has had a SOUP'ER BOWL Sunday, a day in which members at Central bring their own home-made soup creations to share during Fellowship. This year SOUP-ER BOWL Sunday will be held on February 13th. Get ready to bring your special soup and, of course, your appetite!

This year Mark Rutledge will be in charge of signing up chefs and getting the list of soups for the special event.





## The Banner is proud to announce the leaders who will help direct and maintain our church for 2022. They are:

#### **Board Officers:**

Chairperson-of-the-Board: John Johnson **Chairperson-Elect**: Mark Rutledge Financial Secretary: John Bennett Treasurer: George Goodnight Secretary: Debra Goodnight

#### **Trustees:**

John Johnson John Bennett Kathy Young

#### **Church Officers (Elders)**

#### **Chairperson: John Bennett**

Debra Goodnight George Goodnight Mark Rutledge Linda Johnson John Johnson Mary Artman (Emeritus) Carol Scarberry Kathy Young

Floyd Scarberry Connie Bennett Dorothy Feimster

Micki Artman John Rainey Wesley Goodnight

**Brad Lott** 

Michael Simmons

## **Chairperson: Randy Pennington**

**Church Officers (Deacons)** 

Clay Artman Allen Goodnight

### **Committee Chairpersons**

**Buildings & Grounds**: Mark Rutledge Christian Education: Kathy Young

**Evangelism**: Bill Russell Outreach: John Rainey Fellowship: Linda Johnson

Wednesday Night Dinner: Debra Goodnight

**Membership**: Carol Scarberry Wedding Liaison: Diane Senger Communication: George Goodnight **Events Coordinator**: Mark Rutledge

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## Happy New Year! From Central Christian church

## Happy Birthday!





Brad Lott 1/4





Emersyn Annable 1/11

Below is the list of those serving as Worship Leader in January:

Date Worship Leader

2 Mark Rutledge

9 John Bennett

16 Debra Goodnight

23 John Johnson

30 Kathy Young

## Church Calendar for January

1 - New Year's Day

6 - Day of Epiphany

17 - M L King Day

TBD - Wed. Night Dinner

22 - Paramedic Testing

100 Year Anniversary

Count down to

**May of 2023** 

15 Months

May 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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28	29	30	31			





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