



As I prepared my message for a few Sunday ago, it really struck me that the same person, Simon Peter, denied knowing Christ three times and then, in a very short time, confirmed by the words we heard from Acts 5, "We ought to obey God ra-

Pastor Bill Russell

ther than men", that he was now a different person. He had seen and believed. And so Peter stood up for God instead of again denying he knew Jesus. Actions truly do speak louder than words. Our lives, not our lips, tell others to whom we belong. Our lives are our testimony to all those around us.







Sunday Worship on May 8th

With help from Deacons and Elders, worship service was held outdoors along the breeze way on Mother's Day, Sunday May 8th. Pastor Bill Russell brought an inspiring message from "his pulpit" (see photo

right) while the congregation and several families worshiped together. Pastor Bill hopes to have another service outside soon.



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Message From: Carol Scarberry

My dear friends:

Thank you so much for the flowers, prayers, and support for me during Floyd's illness and death. I could not have gotten through this without your friendship.

Love, Carol

(The large photo to the right was taken when Floyd was in the military. The photos and memorabilia were put on display Memorial Day Weekend this year and now reside just outside Carol's apartment at Kirby Pines. When leading prayers at church, Floyd asked a special blessing for the men and women serving our country and to keep them safe and out of harms way.)

... And the Mystery **Continues!**

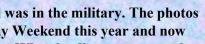
It happened again! Several bags of clean neatly folded clothes were left just outside the kitchen door. John Rainey was on his way to do some yard work when he noticed the packages. "I was totally overwhelmed with the amount of clothes." said John. One of the church photogra- John with packages



phers was just passing by and was able to take a quick photo of John as he began bringing the items into the church. The Outreach Committee has sent a message to the Banner asking to thank the donor (or donors) for their gifts. Central Christian has contacted Waldo Gumshoe to see if he and his trusted bloodhound Barry can track down the good Samarians.

Stop the presses!

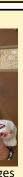
As this article was being written, it happened again. As John Rainey was going (continued above)







(continued from below) out the kitchen door, more packages with clothes and house hold items appeared! What a blessing!





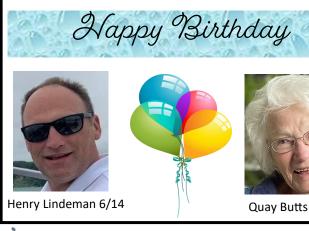
The *Banner* staff would like to thank all of you who called wondering what happened to the May issue of the Banner. As luck would have it, the old computer stopped functioning at the end of April. As a result the May issue was lost. Central Christian has a new computer, and with it came a DEEP learning curve as to how to get things working again. It took several calls to the Geek Squad, the company who services our printer, and lots of prayers to have the computer up and running. Hopefully you'll receive your Banner on time in the future.

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June 14th





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Aaron Dale, from Aikido Martial Arts, volunteered to repair door leading into Walker Hall. The door had been off the hinges for several months. Thank you Aaron!

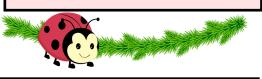
Christ City Church hired a crew to install new ceilings and lighting in the Sunday School Rooms on the



second floor of the Educational **Building.** Careful measuring was done to cut the ceiling tiles. The worker on the right takes a look at the final results.



The above photo shows the handy work of Dorothy Feimster who set up "Her Boutique" at the April Yard Sale Her effort helped to make the yard sale a success.



On May 10th, lots of work went to moving furniture, tables and chairs out of the Fellowship Hall and onto the sidewalks. The result was that a crew was able to come in to strip and wax the floors. Due to lack of a secure space, the computer, phone, filing cabinets, and desks in the Admin Office had to be moved to Pastor Bill Russell's office. See photo on the right. Bill's office is now back in operation - more or less.





Now that the "you-know-what" pandemic had started to wane. **Central Christian** once again hosted the Young Artist **Competition** for the Beethoven Club.







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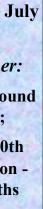
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Happenings in June 2022







5 Pentecost Sunday 14 Flag Day 18 African Violet Meeting TBD Paramedic/EMT Testing	
Below is the list of those serving as Worship Leader for June	
Date	Worship Leader
5	George Goodnight
12	John Bennett
19	Mark Rutledge
26	Kathy Young
From the PUN factory:	

Church Calendar for Tune

Do you know why law schools always include a section on defamation in their courses on Torts? Probably to add insult to injury.