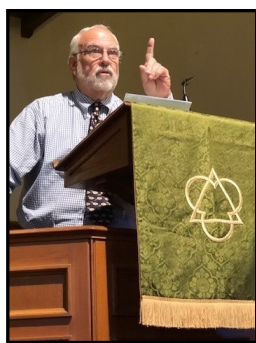


### Message from Rev. Bill Russell



Rev. Bill Russell

One of my absolute favorite hymns is an old faithful, *Count Your Many Blessings*. Unfortunately it was left out of our Chalice Hymnal, but it is a perfect theme song for this month. You will hear it in worship during November and I hope it will spur each of you to think daily of all that God had blessed you with, and to say "Thank You" to Him. It's so easy for us to be overcome with negative things. Remember, Jesus came to bring us abundant life, and we have it. We are blessed! Each day in November I challenge you to name a blessing in your life. Let's each "...name them one by one". Happy Thanksgiving. The people of Central are the blessing I'm naming for the first day of November!

## O U T R E A C H

Nancy Cueria, from Brinkley Heights Ministries, heard about Central's Outreach Program to help those in need of clothes. With the aid of John Rainey, twelve boxes of summer and winter clothing were donated.



The Brinkley Heights Ministries was established to assist families and youth on a year-round basis, as well as a seasonal basis. Additional programs at Brinkley Heights Baptist were created to meet the physical, social, educational, economic, and spiritual needs of people living in the Brinkley Heights service area.

The Outreach Committee would like to thank Nancy Cueria and members from Brinkley Heights Baptist Church for the clothing donation.



**\*\* Veteran's Day Nov. 11 \*\***

Don't forget to say "Thank You" to the women and men serving our country today, and to remember those who gave their life for our freedoms.

### Thanksgiving Wednesday Night Dinner

Church members are encourage to attend the annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Wednesday, Nov. 17th. There will be the traditional Thanksgiving food along with a program to celebrate Central's recent improvements. Please make plans to attend.

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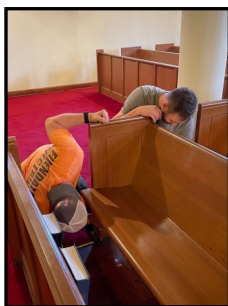
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And as the Chairman of Property and Grounds said:

## LET THERE BE LIGHT!

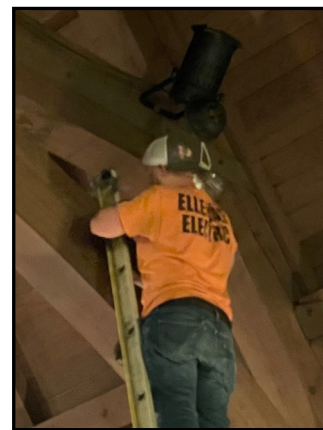
Strange things can happen to any church and Central Christian is not immune. Either when the old slate roof was removed or the new shingles installed, two sanctuary lights ceased to work. And it's not what you think! The lights stopped working because they became unplugged from the ceiling (Note: the sanctuary was built in the 1940's).

Tyler and Luke, the crew from Ellendale Electric, came to the rescue. Members of the Property and Grounds Committee did not have the correct ladders and expertise to do what the crew did. The crew arrived and quickly "plugged in" the lights, and also replaced the burned out lights that show on the preacher and worship leader.



In the photo on the left, Luke (in the orange shirt) and Tyler had to remove the pews in order to have enough room to safely climb the extension ladder to change the burned out bulbs as well as to plug in the overhead lights.

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The above photo on the left shows Tyler on the ladder high above the Sanctuary floor as he plugs in the lights. The photo on the right shows Luke replacing the burned out light that shines on the Worship Leader. And yes, the light that shines on where the preacher stands was also replaced.

### Additional Electrical Work

While at Central, there was also an opportunity to "enhance" the lighting around the church. The second floor of the Education Building now has brighter lights. Lights on the 3rd floor of the gym are now working. The Chapel Garden lights are shining. Only the parking lot light on McLean remains to be fixed.



## Wednesday Night Dinner: *Ua' shoulda been there!*



As it is Central Christian's tradition, the first Wednesday Night Dinner in September is an "Italian Feast". This year Linda Johnson and Carol Scarberry were in charge of the dinner.

Adding to the festivities were ambient lighting and Italian music as people listened to Dean Martin singing *That's Amore* as they entered. The desserts were scrumptious, consisting of Tiramisu provided by Linda Johnson, and Pineapple Upside Down cake provided by Connie Bennett.

As the dinner progressed, the music changed to popular songs from the 60's. With that kind of music, several of the couples decided to dance to such tunes as *At Last* by Etta James. Adding to the evening's dinner were several types of wine to compliment the dinner.

## You Can't Keep A Good Man Down!



Despite several health setbacks, Central's own great fisherman Floyd Scarberry rustled up some reserve energy to once again have his fishing boat in the waters at Snow Lake. The photo on the left shows Floyd navigating his boat toward the shore where his fishing buddies await.



## Planning Ahead:

## SPRING YARD SALE!

Because of the "you-know-what" pandemic, the October 2nd Yard Sale had to be postponed. Looking ahead, the first and second weekends in April seem to be possible choices. Items for the Spring Yard Sale are still coming in, and are of good quality! Please let your friends and neighbors know that Central is still welcoming donations for the sale.



## October Wednesday Night Dinner Honoring Floyd Scarberry

Everyone at Central Christian knows what a great guy Floyd Scarberry is. He's always there when you need him the most. Members at Central could not think of a better way to say thank you to Floyd than to have a special Wednesday Night Family Dinner in his honor. Because of the distance between the Scarberry's home and the church, Micki and Rob Artman stepped up to do "Uber Duties" and brought the Scarberrys to the church dinner.

Church members and several of Floyd's friends outside the church came to the dinner to meet and greet Floyd. Extra tables and chairs had to be set up to welcome all that attended the evening meal.

Central's minister Bill Russell opened the evening with a prayer for the food and for Floyd. Bill continued the program with a uplifting and hopeful message from the Book of James.

### Dinner Menu

Linda Johnson, Chairperson for planning Wednesday Night Dinners, put out the word about the special dinner for Floyd. Immediately there were volunteers who offered to help with the meal. Linda, along with John Johnson, volunteered to bring the "three B's": BBQ, Beans, and Buns! Debra and George Goodnight prepared awesome side dishes of slaw, potato salad, and deviled eggs along with an assortment of tasty pecan pies and desserts. Connie Bennett topped off the dessert menu with her scrumptious and delicious Trifle.



### Guest Minister: Rev. Dr. Ryan Starr



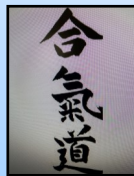
Dr. Ryan Starr

Central Christian Church was truly blessed Sunday, October 24 when Kingsway Christian Church's Rev. Dr. Ryan Starr took over pulpit duties while Central's own minister Rev. Bill Russell was out of town. To return the favor, Rev. Russell will bring the message to Kingsway while Ryan is out of town on Sunday, October 31st.

## Power! Yes, There's Power in the ... PRESSURE WASHER!



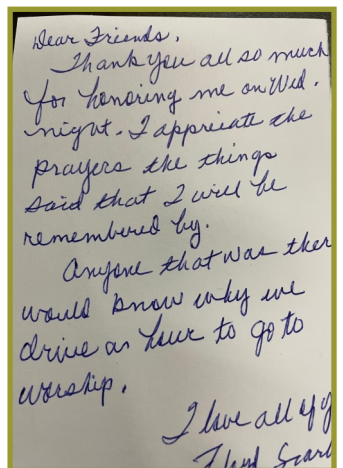
With a bit of elbow grease and a sturdy pressure washer, the outside of Central Christian Church's Sanctuary definitely has a new look. It took most of the morning and afternoon to remove the mold that had been clinging to the church for many-a-year. Take a closer look at the photo on right, and see if you notice another significant difference between the two photos.



November 5 - 7, Mid-south Aikido will be hosting a national seminar in which martial arts students will be coming to Central from across the country to participate. Andrew Sato Shiian, chief instructor from the Aikido World Alliance, will be coming to Memphis to instruct and mentor students in the Art of Aikido.



## A Note From Floyd Scarberry:



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## November at Central

### November Birthdays



Diane Senger 11/18



Debra Goodnight 11/26

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

Date	Worship Leader
7	George Goodnight
14	Mark Rutledge
21	Debra Goodnight
28	John Bennett

### Rachel's Kids – Thanksgiving Project

Please help Central support Rachel's Kids Families during Thanksgiving. Rachel Coats will be giving Kroger gift cards out to the families so that they can purchase the kind of Thanksgiving food that they love. Please make your donation payable to Central Christian Church with a notation for Rachel's Kids Thanksgiving Funds by Sunday, November 21. Central will then provide 1 check to Rachel to buy Kroger Gift Cards for the families in the neighborhood. Thank you for your generosity.

### 100 Year Anniversary

Count down to

May of 2023

17 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
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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### Church Calendar for November

- 5 - Aikido National Seminar
- 7 - Board Meeting in Fellowship Hall
- 11 - Veterans Day
- 13 - Paramedic Testing
- 17 - Thanksgiving Dinner
- 25 - Thanksgiving
- 28 - First Day of Advent



Once again our "mystery giver" has left neatly folded clothing and personal items just outside the kitchen door. Central says "Thank you and God Bless".



Daylight Savings Times Ends Sunday morning November 7th at 2:00 a.m.  
Don't forget to set your clocks back 1

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