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A Message from Rev. Bill Russell



During the past month, we have studied the easy-to-understand letter of James to the 12 tribes of Israel. I hope you enjoyed James' teachings about how Christians should act and where they should look for

guidance and wisdom. During October we will be looking at the Gospel of Mark, particularly chapters 9,10, and 12. I think these will be familiar passages to you, but I would encourage you to read them again as we go forward and refamiliarize yourselves with Jesus' teachings. As you watch the unfolding of the change of seasons, I hope you will be reminded that no matter how crazy our world may seem, God IS in control. When we study the scriptures, we draw closer to God, and as we grow closer to Him, we become more assured that this IS His world and we ARE His children. Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Happy Fall!

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Finally! New Roofs!

After 70+ years, Central Christian Church has a new roof over the sanctuary. And, according to the church custodian (John Rainey), there have not been any leaks in the sanctuary. However, due diligence will be done for the next several weeks to make sure that there are no more leaks.

The two photos above show the church with the old slate roof on the left, and the new roof on the right. It took most of one week and several workers to complete the job (see photos on the inside).

One observer asked when was the new roof going to be completed. In actuality, the roof had been completed. The choice of shingles made it look like we still had the old slate roof.



A Birthday Surprise!



MLG&W Repair Work Nearly Completed





The photo on the left shows Carol Scarberry admiring her birthday cake on Sunday, August 29th. What's interesting about that date is some documents list her birthday as the

30th of August! When asked about which was the accurate date, Carol answered: "I asked my mother about the date. She was there. The 29th is the correct date."

At the beginning of September, the MLG&W has almost completed the final phase of replacing the old gas line located under the church's McLean sidewalk.

The worker in the photo above is

laying the framework where the new steps will be that lead up to the Sanctuary doors. In addition to new steps and sidewalks, MGL&W has plans to resod the church lawn along McLean.

Contract Bridge Club Comes to Central

There is good news for all you contract bridge enthusiasts. Central Christian is now home to a group of seniors who are enjoying the game of



bridge in the Fellowship Hall. The *Memphis Duplicate Bridge Club* now meets Monday and Fridays starting at 10:00 a.m.

The club was created about three years ago when its parent club moved to Germantown. Several members were not able to attend the new location. So a "splinter group" was formed to play bridge within the midtown area.

It turns out that the club needed a new home. Previously located at Lindenwood Christian, circumstances changed when Lindenwood needed additional space for an upcoming project. By word of mouth, Central Christian Church became a possible new location for the bridge club.

Central's Board members heard of their need and agreed to welcome the Contract Bridge Club to the church. The group started on Friday, September the 3rd. Members of the club are enjoying not only the location, but Central's hospitality.



Outreach at Central Christian Church

Roger, a Viet Nam veteran who recently had his wallet stolen, needed help to get a new ID. Without the ID, he would not be able to receive



his monthly pension. Members of the Outreach Committee came to the rescue. Having no transportation, he was driven out to the DVM on Summer to get a new ID. The Outreach Committee will continue to support our veterans when possible.



October 2nd Yard Sale?

The yard sale planed for October 2nd will be postponed until early spring of 2022 due to the "you-know-what" pandemic. However, donated items are still welcomed at this time. Below are photos of the top quality items that have come in.







At Last!

We Have A New Sanctuary Roof









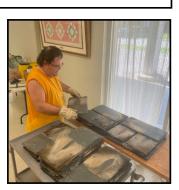
No longer a slate roof!

Early Monday morning, August 23rd, began a new era for members at Central Christian Church: A new Sanctuary roof! The old slate roof protected the church for approximately 75+ years. Now it was time for a new one. The photos above show the workers for ARK Roofing removing the slate roof down to the wooden deck. Note that the workers are literally "hanging on by a thread"; but in this case "a rope". The old slate was unloaded in the dumpster - but several pieces of the slate where kept as part of the church's history.

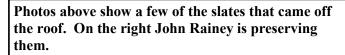








Photos above show the workers hanging precariously while installing the new asphalt cover.







Above left, workers putting on the new roof. The photo on the right is the dumpster coming down McLean with pieces of the old slate roof.





In the photo above are pieces of the older copper gutters - which are scheduled for recycle. The man in red on the right had worked on the old slate roof 30+ years ago.

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October Birthdays





Randy Pennington 10/9





Gloria Jeffrey 10/26

Well, A "PUN" me!

A lawyer was attempting to collect a large sum owed to his client when he discovered the debtor had moved to Iceland, taking everything with him. The lawyer was then concerned about going after frozen assets.

October at Central

Below is the list of those who be serving as Worship Leader for October:

Date Worship Leader

- 3 George Goodnight
- 10 John Johnson
- 17 Debra Goodnight
- 24 Carol Scarberry
- 31 Kathy Young

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<u>Church Calendar</u> <u>for October</u>

- 11 Columbus Day
- 20 Wednesday Night Dinner
- 23 Paramedic Testing
- 31 Halloween

Also: Contract Bridge on Mondays and Fridays



Photo of toys donated to the Spring '22 yard sale.



Yep! October is here (or just about here) and the holidays are upon us. After Halloween, Thanksgiving is just around the corner on Thursday, November 25th. And guess what! Advent starts on Sunday, November 28th!. AND, this year Christmas and New Years both fall on a Saturday. Where has the year gone?!?!



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