



TOWER

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FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Another significant program has been rejuvenated and started up again in September. For the first time in several years, CUCC once again has a confirmation class under way. Rev. Judy Scott agreed to increase her time at Central in order to conduct a confirmation class. Rene Miserez, Amber Gonzales, David Kohler, and Rev. Scott hosted a meeting with parents and confirmands on September 16 to work out arrangements and they will begin the class on September 30. They will meet for a little more than an hour each Sunday after church and the class will have four or five students in it. Please welcome and support this confirmation class and their parents as you see them in church each Sunday. I am absolutely delighted to see this very important part of our church rejuvenated and going again.

Allen Schmutzler and Alan Bagnall are continuing their great work to figure out all of our technological equipment and software and bring it up to date. Their work was significantly impacted by a lightning strike that not only damaged our organ but also damaged much of our TV and audio equipment. They and David Kohler were able to quickly get some contractors in to fix much of the damaged equipment. They are also working to improve our wireless and internet systems to provide better quality for our streaming system used to broadcast our church services. Please be patient and grateful to these gentlemen as they work out all of the kinks.

Thanks to everyone who was involved in CUCC's part of the Old Munichburg Oktoberfest. This is another important tradition and celebration of the history of our community and our church. I know it takes a tremendous amount of behind the scenes coordination as well as many volunteers to make this program a success.

The Search and Call committee has now been formed and will have held their first meeting by the time this Tower is issued. This will not be a quick process but we will try to keep the congregation well informed of our progress as we move through it.

Thank you to everyone who continues to rejuvenate and revive some very important programs and traditions for the Central United Church of Christ.

Warren Witt
Council President

FAITH FORMATION UPDATE

Sunday School leaders and helpers are needed. Leaders will teach a month of lessons and helpers will also alternate through the month. Sunday School curriculum should arrive by Sept. 20th. Please contact Amber Gonzales at 644-2759, or email cucc.faith@gmail.com.

Our monthly meeting is held every third Thursday of the month just before the Council meeting, from 6:00pm—7:00pm. Please come join us!

Thank you to everyone who helped and participated in Rally Day events on August 19. We handed out four Bibles during the service and the remaining ten Bibles during Wednesday afterschool activities.

Upcoming programs include a **new Confirmation Class beginning September 30** following worship. A light lunch or snack will be provided while we discuss three major topics: 1) Survey of the Bible; 2) History of the church universal, the UCC and Central UCC in particular; and 3) Theology. We currently have four young adults participating with their parents in the program, they include: Logan Kujath, Bailey Higgins, Alley Pope, and Olivia Scrivner. A special thank you to Rev. Dr. Judith Scott, Rene Miserez, and David Kohler for putting the program together.

FELLOWSHIP AND FUN AT SANDERS FARM

Come one, come all to the Sanders Farm on Sunday, **October 14!** It will be a great time of fellowship with lots of activities; or if you would like to sit and relax in your comfy chair and visit with those around you, Sanders Farm is the perfect place to do just that! There will be pumpkin painting, fishing and other fun things to do. We'll have a fire, and roast hot dogs as well as providing all the fixings for s'mores!

You don't need to bring anything except for a chair. The fun begins around 2:00 p.m. Hope to see everyone at the farm!

UPCOMING VISIT BY MISSOURI MID-SOUTH CONFERENCE MINISTER

Be sure to mark your calendars for Sunday, **November 4** when Missouri Mid-South Conference Minister, Rev. Dr. Ginny Brown Daniel, will be joining Central Church for worship. Rev. Dr. Brown Daniel will also be bringing the sermon message that morning.

KEEP UP-TO-DATE ON CHURCH ACTIVITIES & EVENTS



Want to stay up-to-date on what's going on in the church, and what events are upcoming? "Like" our Facebook page. If you already have a Facebook account, you can easily do that by scanning this QR Code with the camera on your internet-connected phone or tablet. If you have any questions, please contact Alan Bagnall.

FAITH IN ACTION

MONTHLY BENEVOLENCE NEIGHBORS IN NEED

The Neighbors in Need offering supports the UCC's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.

Justice and Witness Ministries continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties, and environmental justice.

Neighbors in Need also supports our American Indian neighbors in the UCC. One-third of the offering supports the UCC's Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM). There are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal UCC Congregation in Minneapolis, Minnesota. These churches and their pastors are supported by CAIM. CAIM is also a resource for more than 1,000 individuals from dozens of other tribes and nations who are members of other UCC congregations in the United States.

FESTIVAL OF SHARING

Central Church completed 545 kits for the Festival of Sharing, totaling \$11,319.00! Pictures will follow in the next "Tower" issue. Thank you to all who helped!!



PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT OCTOBER 19, 2018



Jefferson City Project Homeless Connect is a one-day event meant to help those who are homeless or near homeless overcome as many barriers to permanent housing as possible. The Mission and Outreach Ministry would like to thank everyone who contributed items for Project Homeless Connect! Now many volunteers are needed to work the day before and the day of the event, Oct. 19 (see registration forms in the library or narthex area):

October 18 —

Assemble care packages and donations, or set-up vendor tables and chairs.

October 19 —

7:30am—10:30am: Help with set-up, monitor shower area, and monitor clothing donations

8:00am—12:00pm: Register and guide guests, assist with food preparation/service, act as host or monitor the dining area, monitor shower area, and monitor the clothing donations.

12:30pm—4:00pm: Register and guide guests, assist with food preparation/service, act as host or monitor the dining area, monitor shower area, and monitor the clothing donations, breakdown and clean-up.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Susan Poettgen at 573-298-4515 or susan.poettgen@gmail.com.

OUR SHARED LIFE

GUITARIST NEEDED

If you play the guitar, or know someone who does, please contact Rene Miserez about possibly accompanying a handbell selection. (Preferably someone who plays by note rather than by chord.)

PRIME TIME CLUB

Prime Time Club will meet Tuesday, October 23, at 11:30 a.m. Kenny from the Koinonia House will share an interesting message, and also tell how his life has been changed since he left the facility. Please come and hear his message.

BROTHERHOOD HIGHLIGHTS

- ☞ Eight men met Sept. 4, and pizza was ordered.
- ☞ Final arrangements made for golf tournament.



90+ BIRTHDAYS

Walter Rottmann (10/1)
2220 Green Meadow Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Eleanor Diersing (10/3)
1901 County Road 374
Holts Summit, MO 65043

Carolyn Scheperle (10/10)
222 Gateway Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65109

Bee Sullivan (10/15)
1815 Seven Hills Road
Jefferson City, MO 65101

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

We've got some great activities planned for the next few weeks for 6th—12th graders. Our new group includes a mix of fun activities, service activities, and faith discussions. Contact Rene Miserez with questions (573-604-6022).

Upcoming activities:

Friday, Sept. 28, 4:00-7:00pm: Oktoberfest Dinner — helping where needed

Sunday, Oct. 1, 2:00pm-: Sanders Farm fun day — see "Tower" article

Sunday, Oct. 28, 5:00-7:00pm: Halloween Party — helping with games

YOUNG YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Wednesdays after school ... We have started off the year with lessons about parables. These are stories that Jesus told to help teach a lesson. Our after school program is for kids in K—5th grades so join us when you can. We share afterschool snacks and fun, a 20-30 minute Bible lesson or faith-building activity, and dinner. Supervision begins at 3:45pm (or whenever your school gets out) and we end at 6:00pm.

Be sure to join us for special activities (read about them in this Tower):

Fun day at Sanders Farm — Sunday, Oct. 14, 2:00pm-

Halloween Party — Sunday, Oct. 28, 5:30-7:00pm

Rene Miserez, 694-6022 cell/text
Young Youth Director bellsic@aol.com

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sunday, October 28

5:30pm – 7:00pm

Calling all boys and ghouls ... bring a friend, a neighbor, or your cousins and be sure to wear your costume (but nothing scary). Adults in the congregation -- invite your grandkids and little friends to share in our fun. There will be lots of SPOOK-tacular fun and games for kids of all ages up through 5th grade, and a buffet of ghoulish treats.

The Halloween Party is always fun and it's for EVERYONE. Even if you don't have little friends to bring to the party, just come hang out with us and enjoy visiting with people and seeing the kids in their Halloween costumes.



HALLOWEEN PARTY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Last year we had over 100 kids (woohoo!) and they all brought parents, so this is a great community outreach for us. **We need 30+ volunteers** to make the Halloween Party a success. It's easy, it's a lot of fun, and it's a really short time commitment.

- * 20+ workers for carnival-style games
- * snack table
- * prize table
- * welcome our guests
- * set-up
- * take-down and clean up

Main helpers would be needed 5:00-ish to 7:00-ish (dress in costume if you'd like). Please let Rene know if you can help so we can plan accordingly. Set-up will be on the day of the party from 11:15 to whenever(?).

Snack brigade ... A couple of years ago we started getting together to work on all of the themed snack goodies, and it was so much fun it became a new tradition. If you'd like to help make the ghoulish treats, we'll be getting together at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct 27, at Rene's house.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Rene
(694-6022 or bellsic@aol.com)

BROTHERHOOD GOLF TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS

The 12th Annual Brotherhood Golf Tournament was held Friday, Sept. 7th. Prior to the start of the golf tournament, the following won prizes in the Golf Ball Drop: 1st Prize- Paul Simpson; 2nd Prize- Jim Norment; 3rd Prize- Patti Schmutzler. Four names were also drawn from registered players who attempted a 50' putt for a prize of \$2,500! Travis Phillips from Roach, Missouri successfully made that putt winning \$2,500 (courtesy of Tony Porter, American Family Insurance).

Fourteen teams participated in the tournament. The following winners received cash prizes:

"A Flight"- 1st place: Adam Demark Team (score of 58); 2nd: Andy Rohrbach Team (score of 60); 3rd: Ron Benne Team (score of 61).

"B Flight"- 1st place: Mark Mueller Team (score of 63), 2nd: Cole Humphreys Team (score of 64); 3rd: Eric Slater Team (score of 64).

"C Flight"- 1st place: Mark Rohrbach Team (score of 66); 2nd: Harry Kujath Team (score of 66); 3rd: Christine Brauner Team (score of 71).

Closest to the pin: Hole 3- Drew Humphreys; Hole 8- Tim Mueller; Hole 13- Harvey Mosley; Hole 15- Bill Lee.

Players, families and friends completed the day with a delicious steak dinner in the church gym prepared by the Brotherhood. This year's steak dinner was enjoyed by 90 people, which was a new record attendance! Following dinner, Warren Witt served as auctioneer for the various donated items. Many thanks to the participants who make this event a success and contribute to the support of area charities.

STUDY BIBLES AVAILABLE SOON

Several of you have asked about the Bibles that were presented to young people on Rally Day. These hardback NIV Student Study Bibles include special notes with background information and other items of interest. We are expecting a shipment in mid-October. If you are interested in having one of these Bibles, you may see Michelle in the church office during the week, or Rene Miserez on Sundays. Cost is \$20 each.

CAMP AURORA

It was with great anticipation and gratitude that 95 Camp Aurora fans arrived to celebrate and dedicate 30 years of ownership by Central UCC (Jefferson City), First Congregational (Lebanon), and St. Peter's Church (Kansas City) on September 1st. Participants

ranged from a few months old to folks in their 80's. They came from all over the state and country (Atlanta, Boston, Denver). Hugs, handshakes and memories were shared.

The day included people sharing memory books, photos, lunch, singing, and a dedication of the camp. Many campers brought family members to show where an important part of their faith was formed. People hunted up their old cabins, names and years written in the recreation hall, and walked to Vesper Point to reflect on what Camp Aurora meant to them. Campers and staff were reunited, and older campers met new campers.

At the conclusion of the event, the camp was dedicated to continuing the mission of developing youth in their faith and walk with God, developing friendships, meaningful life practices, and enjoying the beauty of God's creation.

CUCC'S OWN SOUTHSIDE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

The Southside Philharmonic Orchestra (SPO) is now gearing up for its 2018-19 season! Attending one of our concerts is an important way to help us continue, and we've got two superb programs coming up soon.

On Friday October 19th we will be right here at home in the CUCC Sanctuary with a rare set of early Italian Baroque masterpieces by Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643) and Giovanni Gabrieli (1556-1612). This music is more than 400 years old (!), and would have been heard by audiences contemporary with William Shakespeare. 1600 is typically considered to be the end of the Renaissance and beginning of the Baroque

in music. The music by Monteverdi and Gabrieli inevitably exhibits characteristics of both eras but most importantly they both developed bold innovations that would define the Baroque era so commonly associated with Vivaldi and Bach who lived more than a century later.



As unlikely as this may seem, the music of Claudio Monteverdi would have struck the ears of his audiences at the time with effect similar the Beatles sound to audiences in 1960's America. Monteverdi's music was startlingly fresh, abandoning much of the formal discipline from the previous (15th) century—a 'pure science of relationships' in the words of American musicologist Lewis Lockwood—in favor of emotionally expressive music that served the meaning of the text. In the case of Monteverdi's madrigals, the music and text are achingly poignant, and one must hear this to appreciate the truth of this statement.

All noble brass writing through to the present finds its origin in the compositional methods of Gabrieli who was famous in St. Mark's Cathedral in Venice for writing magnificent works that split brass choirs into every available corner of the cathedral for dramatic spatial effect. SPO will present seven of Gabrieli's brass works, some containing twelve independent parts and instruments simultaneously, in the authentic antiphonal style within the Central United Church of Christ—this is a sonic event that has probably never been attempted in CUCC and will be an unforgettable experience.

On December 15th and 16th, SPO will once again collaborate with Dancers' Alley for Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker* ballet in Miller PAC—this year for three performances:

Dec. 15, 7:00pm
Dec. 16, 2:00pm &
6:00pm.

Tickets for these programs can be purchased online or at the door. Information and tickets for our Early Baroque concert here in CUCC can already be found on our website: SouthsidePhilharmonic.org

Kindly,

Patrick Clark
CUCC Director of Music





PRESENTS

THE EARLY BAROQUE

ECHOES FROM SEVENTEENTH-CENTURY CATHEDRALS

*Madrigals of Claudio Monteverdi,
performed by members of Vox Nova
&
Antiphonal Brass Works of Giovanni Gabrieli*

LIVE PERFORMANCE AT

7:00 PM | Central United Church of Christ
Friday, October 19, 2018 | 118 W. Ashley St
Jefferson City, MO 65101

\$10 / \$5 (students)
Tickets available at the door and
online at www.southsidephilharmonic.org

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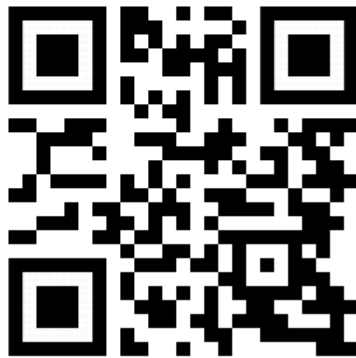
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NOTIFICATIONS FROM CENTRAL CHURCH

With the winter months upcoming, inclement weather could cause delays or cancellations of church services or events. We've used the Remind.com service in the past to notify members and it has worked well. However, we don't have access to the original administration account. The church has a new account set up to which we can add you. This is a free service. While it will mainly be used for weather cancellations and delays, it could also be used as a reminder about congregational meetings or special events. We will make every effort to ensure that it is not overused or abused.

The notifications can be received by either text or email, whichever you prefer. There are several methods you can use to be added to the group:

- (1) Text @bb7ce7 to 81010
- (2) Scan the QR code below with the camera on your internet-connected phone or tablet.



- (3) Fill out the following information slip and place in the offering plate, hand to Alan or Allen, or email the information to sanctuarycucc@gmail.com.

I request to be added to receive Remind.com notifications from Central United Church of Christ.
(Please print clearly)

Name(s): _____

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Email address(es): _____

OCTOBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

WORSHIP USHERS

2018 Team Schedule:

January & July —

February & August — Mary Ann Wippermann

March & September —

April & October — Carl Ernst

May & November — Monty Schmutzler

June & December — Russell Rottmann

October :

Carl Ernst — Team Captain

John Hequembourg

Larry Long

Susan Poettgen

Curt Shipley

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Sunday, Oct. 7 — Patti Schmutzler

SALVATION ARMY MEAL

Thursday, Oct. 11 — Parlor Sunday School Class

MEALS ON WHEELS

Wednesday, Oct. 17 — Elenor Circle

“TOWER” DEADLINE

The deadline for the November “Tower” issue will be **Monday, October 15**. Please make sure to email your articles to the office in a timely manner.

Thanks!

CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

August 16, 2018

Human Resource Ministry is currently working on updating the Personnel Policy Manual and Safe Church Policies and Procedures.

Central Church is seeking members to assist with youth basketball and other youth activities. See Gina Freeman or Warren Witt.

Building and Grounds Ministry is happy to announce the elevator is fixed and inspection of the fire extinguishers and Exit lights has been completed.

Congregational Life Ministry will continue to visit the shut-ins and provide communion. If you know of anyone that would like to be included in this group, please speak with Faye Rinaldi.

Rally Day was held on Sunday, August 19, at CUCC and was followed up by a short worship service held at Sanders Farm. Members enjoyed a beautiful day at the farm along with a delicious meal of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs provided by the Faith Formation Ministry. This was complimented with carry-in dishes provided by our members.

Sharefest (originally called Festival of Sharing) will take place on Saturday, September 22, at the Methodist Church in Tipton, MO. Volunteers are needed to help pack kits.

The next Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the church library.

Respectfully submitted,

Freda Maness

Council Secretary

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00pm Scouts	2 5:30pm Brotherhood	3 9:00am Quilting 3:45pm Young Youth 6:15pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Sr. Choir	4	5	6
7 World Communion Sunday 8:30am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Coffee Hour 10:00am Worship 10:15am Children's SS	8 7:00pm Scouts	9 4:00pm Mission & Outreach Team	10 9:00am Quilting 9:00am Central Family Time (Perkins) 3:45pm Young Youth 6:15pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Sr. Choir	11 5:00pm Salvation Army Meal	12	13
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 who are called to grow in faith, and share God's love
 as we reach out to each other,
 to our community, and to our world.

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Ministers..... Every Member
 Director of Music..... Dr. Patrick Clark
 Young Youth Director Rene Miserez
 Organist Shirley Klein
 Bell Choir Director Rene Miserez

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:

8:30am Adult Sunday School
 9:00am Coffee Hour
 10:00am Worship Service
 10:15am Children's Sunday School

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