



TOWER

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FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Our thanks again goes out to Rev. Dr. Judith Scott. This summer she agreed to conduct Bible study classes following the Sunday morning worship services. She has now conducted several sessions with a dozen or more members attending and the feedback has been very good. We continue to be blessed to have Rev. Scott with us during our Search process.

The Search and Call committee has conducted second phone interviews for two different potential candidates for our pastoral position. We are discussing next steps but don't be surprised to see a potential candidate(s) at Central Church for another round of evaluation in the near future. Hopefully we will continue to make progress but your patience is appreciated.

The Human Resources Ministry has been diligently working on updating the Personnel Policy Manual. As part of that update they found a change is needed to the Bylaws first. On **Sunday, September 22**, we will have a short congregational meeting after the Sunday Service to review a change to the Pastor's position description in the Bylaws. Once it is approved in the Bylaws, the HR Ministry and Council can finalize the revision to the Personnel Policy Manual.

By the time you read this we will have completed another Rally Day kicking off the new school year and Sunday School program. It will be conducted on August 25 with activities at our wonderful Sanders Farm following the service at Central Church. We have seen a few new children and young people visiting Central over the last couple of months and hopefully this will give them an opportunity to further their involvement with our church and congregation.

Don't forget the Oktoberfest celebration in Old Munichburg coming up on September 27 and 28. The festivities kick-off with a German meal at Central Church on Friday evening, September 27. Central Church has full responsibility for the Friday night activity this year. We will not have the traditional German band and beer garden outside this year, as has been done in the past by the Old Munichburg Association, but plenty of live music and great food will be provided in the gymnasium. This is a major community Outreach/Congregational Life activity and fundraiser opportunity for us, and I hope everyone gets involved and attends.

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to bring them to my attention or one of the Council members.

Thanks,
Warren Witt
Council President

YOU ARE INVITED

The Mission and Outreach Ministry will be holding a fundraising brunch on Sunday, September 22 following worship. We will serve an assortment of soups: vegetable, chicken and noodle, potato and tortellini.

Please join us that day for some delicious food and help raise funds for projects like our Special Adult Spaghetti Dinner held in November. We serve spaghetti to clients of the group homes in the area and spend the evening playing bingo. It's an event they look forward to each year — the Mission and Outreach Ministry has been providing this special occasion for years and typically serve around 75 folks.

Other projects we sponsor are things like putting together and donating a themed basket for the Samaritan Center Gala (an annual fundraiser for the Samaritan Center), as well as supplying items for the canteen during the Red Cross Blood Drive which is held at the church.

Mark your calendars now and make plans to come to our fundraising brunch after church on Sunday, September 22.



FESTIVAL OF SHARING

The Festival of Sharing will host regional events called “Sharefests” throughout the state of Missouri during September through October. These interfaith gatherings connect folks in our state with a common goal: “To provide resources for those in need.”

Central Church will participate in the Central Region Sharefest held in Tipton on September 28, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. We'll meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Capitol Mall by the Dillard's wing to carpool. Due to the Oktoberfest being held that day, the streets around the church will be blocked off. We plan to work in the morning then drive to Sedalia to eat lunch at Kehde's restaurant, a favorite of the group. Please let one of the Mission and Outreach Ministry members know if you plan to attend. We need to make reservations with the Festival of Sharing office.

FAITH IN ACTION

SEPTEMBER BENEVOLENCE

“Food Bank of Central and Northeast Missouri”

The Food Bank of Central and Northeast Missouri was able to give disaster relief in May by providing water to those who helped sandbag flooded areas and to those who helped clean up tornado damage. Food was provided to people affected by severe weather. One of the programs the Food Bank does during the school year is the Buddy Pack. This program makes sure that students stay fed over the weekend. It is the most expensive program costing over \$1.3 million a year with 7,500 children participating from over 160 schools. The Buddy Packs are offered free of charge to students. A donation of \$180 will fund the cost of a Buddy Pack for one student over a school year. All gifts regardless of size help make a difference. No child should go hungry and with your help this mission is possible.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE MISSION AND OUTREACH MINISTRY

- ☞ Sharefest, Saturday, September 28, 2019 in Tipton starting at 9:30am.
- ☞ Festival of Sharing Quilt Auction, Saturday, October 26, 2019 in Columbia.
- ☞ Spaghetti Dinner for area group homes, Saturday, November 9, 2019.
- ☞ Trolley ride to look at Christmas Lights, Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$13.

Please contact Susan Poettgen to sign up.

PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT

The fifth annual Project Homeless Connect will be held October 18th on the Capitol Street campuses of First United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church and First Christian Church. If you would like to volunteer to work, registration forms will need to be completed and returned to the Mission and Outreach Ministry or you can register online at <https://singup.com/go/xgOuiEZ>. Last year over 200 volunteers served over 160 individuals and their families. The goal this year is to serve 200 individuals and families.

The following items are needed:

New or clean, gently-used clothing (especially jackets & coats)

New or gently used shoes

New adult white socks (tube socks preferred)

New adult underwear, assorted sizes

New washcloths

Toiletries for care kits (fingernail clippers, razors, deodorant, and feminine hygiene products)

All items will be delivered **September 7th** to First Baptist Church by 1:00 p.m. No items will be accepted after that date. A box will be in the narthex for donated items. Volunteer forms will be located next to the box.

Financial support is also welcome. A hot lunch will be provided for volunteers and guests; health exam co-pays and necessary medications; flu shots; vision exams and glasses as needed; bus passes for guests with transportation challenges; access to hard-to-afford identification documents, such as birth certificate or non-drivers ID cards; comfort kits (backpacks) filled with necessities.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Poettgen, chair of Mission and Outreach Ministry.

OUR SHARED LIFE

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Women's Fellowship will have their annual Reassembly Meeting on Tuesday, September 3, at 1:00 p.m. in the church parlor. Rev. Dr. Judith Scott will share "A Lawyer's Perspective on the Ten Commandments." A business meeting will follow along with light refreshments. All ladies are welcome to attend!

PRIME TIME CLUB

The Prime Time Club will meet on Tuesday, September 24th for our carry-in luncheon. Keith Hale will be our speaker. He will be sharing with us about the Gideons.



90+ BIRTHDAYS

Juanita Muck, 9/14
Primrose Retirement Community
1214 Freedom Blvd., Apt. 214
Jefferson City, MO 65109

SOUTHSIDE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA



The Southside Philharmonic Orchestra is gearing up for our 2019-2020 performance season and is looking forward to presenting "An Evening At The Opera" on Friday evening, October 18, at 7:00pm in our sanctuary. *(Note that this is one week later than listed in the August Tower.)*

We hope that you will join us for an evening of operatic arias and choruses sung by some of central Missouri's best vocal talents and accompanied by the Southside Philharmonic Orchestra. We look forward to seeing you, and thank you for your continued support.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Red Cross Blood Drive in anyway or gave blood. We had three first-time donors and collected 27 pints.

Susan Poettgen, Chair
Mission & Outreach Ministry

"TOWER" DEADLINE

The deadline for the October "Tower" issue will be **Sunday, September 15**. Please make sure to email your articles to the office in a timely manner. Thanks!

YOUNG YOUTH

If you know a child in K-5th grades, church is the place to be on Wednesdays after school. We have food and fun, faith and fellowship and help to build relationships with God and each other. With new school release times, we've adjusted our times, too. Supervision starts at 3:00pm and we end at 6:00pm.

Rene Miserez
Young Youth Director
573-694-6022



We're off to a great year!

VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUNG YOUTH

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for the Young Youth after-school programming on Wednesdays, from approximately 5:10 p.m.—5:40 p.m. (and you are welcome to come for the afternoon). You don't have to do anything but enjoy the Bible lesson! Per our Safe Church Policy, we need two adults in the room. What a great way for you to be reminded of different Bible stories that you might have forgotten about! Contact Rene (573-694-6022) to sign-up to join us for a week. Or, if you are more comfortable in the kitchen, you could prepare our simple meal, then Alan can join us for the lesson.

BELL CHOIR



The Bell Choir is looking to grow our numbers again. If you ever thought you might like to give ringing bells a try, now is a great time and you are welcome to join us! The ability to read music is a plus, but not required. Contact Rene at 573-694-6022 so we can plan appropriate music for the number of ringers.



The 13th Annual Golf Tournament sponsored by the church's Brotherhood will be held on Friday, September 6, 2019. The tournament takes place at the Redfield Golf and Country Club in Eugene, Missouri.

Proceeds from the golf tournament help support mission work and Central United Church of Christ. Some of the organizations that received donations from the tournament were Healing House, Samaritan Center, Boys and Girls Clubs, just to name a few.

Several events/contests will take place that day including a ball drop (\$5 per ball — winner receives \$100, 2nd—\$50, and 3rd—\$25). Tickets may be purchased during Coffee Hour before the church service. Also taking place are contests like Closest to the Pin, Longest Accurate Drive, and Putting Contest. See Walt Rottmann for more details.

The cost to participate in the golf tournament is \$100 entry fee per person, teams of 4. Includes cart, lunch and pork steak dinner. Additional dinner tickets may be purchased for \$10. Following the tournament, there will be a pork steak dinner and auction beginning around 5:30 p.m.

Tickets for the meal are \$10 and may be purchased from Larry Long or Russell Rottmann. Items for the auction are appreciated like gift cards, and items that are new or slightly used. You may also contact Larry or Russell if you have questions.

SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 6th:

Redfield Golf and Country Club

- ⚙ Registration: 11:00 a.m. followed by putting contest and lunch
- ⚙ Golf Ball Drop immediately before Tee Time
- ⚙ Tee Time: 12:00 noon, shot gun start
- ⚙ Contest: closest to pin, longest accurate drive, putting contest
- ⚙ Mulligans and 50/50 raffle will be available

Central United Church of Christ Gym

- ⚙ Pork Steak Dinner and Auction: 5:30 p.m. (following tournament)

OKTOBERFEST GERMAN DINNER

September 27, 2019

Oktoberfest German Dinner is back at Central UCC on Friday evening, September 27! The planning committee members are Patti Schmutzler, Alan Bagnall, Pam Schmutzler, Susan Poettgen, Walter Rottmann, Freda Maness, Faye Rinaldi, Mary Ann Wippermann, and Harry Kujath. There are couple new changes this year such as no beer garden with outdoor entertainment on the church's upper parking lot. We will have a live music provided by "Johnny's Friends" inside our church gym. The upper parking lot will be available for the handicapped parking and for people with walking difficulty.

This year the menu will consist of grilled sausages (by Carl Ernst and his grilling crew), buns, German potato salad, cole slaw, sauerkraut, green beans, pie, iced tea, lemonade, water, and coffee. The children's menu is hot dogs with buns, chips, and other sides. Serving time will be from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the church gym. Cost is \$12 per adult and \$5 per child under age 10. Carry-outs are available, too.

We will need volunteers (men and women) to help with all aspects of the meal ranging from decorating tables (we have the decorations); fixing the German potato salad (will be done on Thursday, September 26, with Pam Schmutzler in charge), and other food items; donating pies, cutting/packaging the pies; taking money; serving food/beverages; busing tables; valet parking; and clean up. A volunteer sign-up sheet is included in this "Tower" issue. Completed sheets can be placed in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, turned in or mailed to the church office by September 15. For more information, please contact Patti Schmutzler at 573-418-8196 (text only) or plschmu@gmail.com. You may also contact Freda Maness (pie lady) at 573-619-3107 or email Teacher7478@gmail.com. Please consider volunteering as many hands make for light work. We'll have fun, too!



Save the date for next year's annual Rummage Sale which will take place on Saturday, May 2, 2020 from 7:00am—1:00pm! As you clean out any of your closets, basement, garage, and other areas around your home, please keep Central's rummage sale in mind and donate your gently used items to the sale. The Spencer gals have so generously volunteered to coordinate this big event again — Central appreciates their time and effort along with all of the other volunteers who make this happen! So be sure to hang on to those items you'll want to donate, and bring them to the church during the week leading up to the rummage sale. If you have any questions regarding items that can be donated, please contact any of the ladies in Women's Fellowship.

Oktoberfest

Annual German Dinner

Friday, Sept. 27, 2019

4:30 – 7:00 pm



Grilled Sausage
German Potato Salad
Sauerkraut Cole Slaw
Green Beans Pie
Hot Dogs / Chips
Tea/Lemonade/Coffee

\$12.00 adults \$5.00 children under 10

carry outs available

Live music provided by "Johnny's Friends".

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OKTOBERFEST GERMAN DINNER VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

_____ I can help with making the German potato salad on Thursday, September 26

_____ 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon

_____ I can help decorate the tables on Thursday starting at 9 a.m. until completed

_____ I can help with preparing the other food on Friday

_____ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. _____ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. _____ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can help with cutting/packaging/replenishing the pies on Friday

_____ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. _____ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. _____ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can work outside helping with valet parking and related things

_____ 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. _____ 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can help at the ticket sales table

_____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. _____ 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can help with serving the meal

_____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. _____ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can help with busing tables and trash removal

_____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. _____ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

_____ I can help with clean-up starting at 6:30 p.m. until completed

_____ I can bring pies _____ number of pies bringing

**No cream pies; pumpkin and pecan pies must be purchased from a store bakery,
not homemade or baked from frozen** (*pursuant to the city's Regulations for Temporary Food Services*)

Bring your pies to the church on Friday, September 27, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

***** Cash donations for purchasing pies will be accepted and can be given to Freda Maness by September 15

NAME _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

PLEASE TURN IN COMPLETED SIGN-UP SHEET BY SEPTEMBER 15

MONTHLY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

WORSHIP USHERS

2019 Team Schedule:

January & July — (formerly Dick Kettenbrink—
team captain needed)

February & August — Mary Ann Wippermann

March & September — (formerly Dennis Horn—
team captain needed)

April & October — Carl Ernst

May & November — Monty Schmutzler

June & December — Russell Rottmann

September:

(formerly Dennis Horn's team)

Leo Blochberger Gary Woodward

Paul LePage (Honorary)

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Sunday, September 1 — Susan Poettgen and
Gwen Vieth

SALVATION ARMY MEAL

Thursday, September 12 — Connie Pack

MEALS ON WHEELS

Wednesday, September 18 — Prime Time Club

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

July 25, 2019

- ♦ Annual Blood Drive was held on Tuesday, July 23. The Red Cross collected 27 units of blood.
- ♦ Rally Day will be Sunday, August 25, 2019. Normal church service will be held with an extended service to take place at Sanders Farm. Meat, buns and paper products will be supplied. Members are asked to bring a side dish.
- ♦ Oktoberfest German Meal will be served from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 27, 2019. Please see Patti Schmutzler if you have questions.

Next Council Meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Freda Maness
Council Secretary

Be sure to snap those pictures at church activities and events as we can always use



them for the church's monthly newsletter publication, Facebook page, and website. You can email your pictures to the church

office at office@centralucc.com.

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:30am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Coffee Hour 9:30am Children's SS 10:00am Worship Service 11:15am Adult Bible Study	2 (Office Closed for Labor Day) 7:00pm Scouts	3 1:00pm Women's Fellowship Reassembly Meeting 5:30pm Brotherhood	4 9:00am Quilting 1:00pm Dominoes/Fellowship 3:00pm Young Youth 6:15pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal	5	6 11:00am Brotherhood Golf Tournament 5:30pm Tournament Dinner & Auction	7
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22 8:30am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Coffee Hour 9:30am Children's SS 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Congregational Meeting 11:15am Mission & Outreach Fundraiser Brunch	23 1:00pm W.I.G.S. Circle 7:00pm Scouts	24 11:30am Prime Time Club	25 9:00am Quilting 3:00pm Young Youth 6:15pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal	26	27 4:30pm — 7:00pm Oktoberfest German Meal	28 Festival of Sharing Sharefest (Tipton, MO)
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To be a Christ-centered community of faithful disciples
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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Jefferson City, MO 65101

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:

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

Ministers..... Every Member
Pulpit Supply Minister..... Rev. Dr. Judith Scott
Director of Music..... Dr. Patrick Clark
Young Youth Director Rene Miserez
Organist Shirley Klein
Bell Choir Director Rene Miserez

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