

## Central Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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### Central's Outreach Mission: A Fresh Look.

All Central members and guests are invited to bring their ideas and questions to a retreat.

Saturday, November 14, from 9-3 p.m. in the Annex Building.

Lunch will be provided.

Child care provided upon request.

Call the church at (859) 233-1551, by November 8, to make reservations.

### Note to Members of Central Christian Church From Sharon Samuell

After much thought and prayer, I have decided to retire at the end of this year in order to spend more time with my family and pursue other interests. Serving with the staff and members here at Central has been such a blessing to me. I will always treasure my time spent here, the love, support and friendship. You will be in my thoughts and prayers. May God continue to bless you and your ministries.

Sincerely, Sharon

"Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." *Philippians 1:2-3*

## PERIODICAL



### Sunday in Worship

November 8, 2015

Sermon series begins:

*Growing Glad and  
Generous Hearts*

Scripture: *Mark 8:27-30*

8:30 a.m.

Rev. David Shirey,  
preaching

Rev. Elizabeth King,  
leading worship

Frank Dickey, elder

11 a.m.

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preaching

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leading worship

Donna Isaacs and  
Jim Cecil, elders

### Connect:

Sunday services are broadcast live at 11 a.m. on WWTF-1580 AM and streamed on iHeart Radio. You may also listen to the sermon on our website at [centralchristianlex.org](http://centralchristianlex.org). Look for us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CentralChristianLex.info>

*Growing Glad and Generous Hearts* is the theme of our month-long stewardship emphasis. On November 22, we'll enjoy an all-church catered meal after the 11 a.m. worship service. During both services that day, we'll be invited to place a pledge card in the offering plate representing our estimated gifts to God through Central in 2016, signs of gratitude to God from whom all blessings flow and an offering of our hearts, minds, souls, and might to support Central's ministry.

During a planning meeting, I wondered aloud what makes for glad and generous hearts. I asked the team, "What is *your* motivation to be a faithful steward?"

David Richard, our Treasurer, said, "After being away from the church for a decade, I chose to return and get involved. I now know my life is enriched by being a part of Central. I could not do without it. I'm happy to do my part in contributing as one member of this church family, so I give of my time and talent as Chair of the Finance Ministry Area and give generously to the budget so my boys and I can continue to be blessed by this church family."

Mollie Sawyer said, "I am

proud to serve a downtown church that opens the doors of its buildings throughout the week to receive and serve all the people who set foot in Central. I am grateful to give of myself as Director of Operations and Finance to make sure God's House and all our facilities are clean, in good repair, and welcoming to all who come here for worship, study, fellowship, and service."

Elizabeth Sames, our youngest team member, told us, "I grew up with parents who believed 'it takes a village to raise a child.' As such, I was surrounded by a 'village' of all kinds of people who helped raise me to be the person I am today. Grateful for what all those people did for me, I am happy to be one of the people of Central's 'village' who are providing a safe, welcoming, nurturing environment for Central's children. I give of my financial offerings as I am able and I give of my time and talent as a teacher and as part of Central's Helping Hands outreach team.

Carolyn Richart added, "Over the years my family and I have been nurtured by this congregation. Now I want to give back out of gratitude for all Central has

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**From David Shirey**, continued from page one meant to me. Harry and I give of our offerings as we are able and we both have served in a variety of ways with our time and talent. Currently, I am Chair of our Time and Talent Ministry Area and I offer my voice to the choir.

Bill Curwood, our elder statesman, said, "At this stage of our lives, Linda and I look back over the years with grateful hearts for the journey we have taken. Our giving of our offerings and our continued offering of ourselves is the way we express our profound gratitude to God for what life in Christ's Church has meant to us."

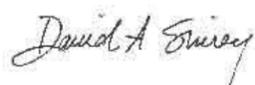
Enriched by each other's stories, we are inviting others to share as well:

Rod Brewer and Albert Pennybacker have shared "From the Heart" giving testimonies during worship the past two Sundays. There are more to come.

Elizabeth Sames is making a "Giving Tree" in the Hospitality Area with each leaf evidencing reasons we give of ourselves with gladness and generosity.

An insert in this Sunday's bulletin will invite you to write on a leaf how you want to grow your glad and generous heart in 2016. Your leaves will go on the Giving Tree and your answers will help me develop my sermon for November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

With thanksgiving, David Shirey



### The Next Chimes

In order for articles to be considered for the November 18 issue of the *Chimes*, please submit them to Lynn Gray by November 12. Lynn's email address is lgray@centralchristianlex.org.

The publishing dates for *Chimes* in November and December will be a week earlier than usual due to the holidays in each month.

Articles due to church office (Lynn Gray) by:

November 25 for the December 2 issue  
December 10 for the December 16 issue.

### Men's Breakfast November 21, 8:30 a.m.

Speaker: Greg Alexander, General Minister  
Christian Church (DOC) in Kentucky

### What's In The Library

Our library recently purchased two new publications about Kentucky: The Kentucky African American Encyclopedia and The Illustrated History of Berea College. These books are reference books and may be read in the library any Sunday morning or Wednesday afternoon.

The library also has a display of books for children ages 7-12: The Boxcar Children series and a lot of exciting mysteries for pre-teens! Please check them out!

Jeanette Knowles & Kim Marsh



### Memorial Poinsettias

It is again time to order memorial poinsettias. If you would like to participate in this beautiful Advent tradition, contact Lynn Gray at the church office at lgray@centralchristianlex.org or at (859) 233-1551. The plants are \$20 a piece.

### New Communication Tool

We are pleased to deliver to you weekly Friday afternoon news from CCC. This email "blast" is meant to keep you informed for the immediate weekend and week ahead. And it is also to let you know what kinds of things have happened at CCC the Monday through Friday you receive the news. Different from the *Chimes*, this is meant to give everyone a one week window, a broad perspective on the many things that keep CCC ministering all week long!

Beginning the week of November 16, you will also receive on Wednesdays a weekly "Let's Go Deeper" message from Senior Minister, David Shirey. This will be a devotional, spiritual, meditative, prayer, or study message meant to reflect on the past Sunday's message, and/or anticipate the upcoming Sunday's message. If you are not receiving this email contact Lynn Gray at lgray@centralchristianlex.org.

### Holiday Giving



As is our custom at Central Christian, there will be various opportunities to express gratitude for our many blessings during the upcoming holiday season by giving to those in need:

\* Angel Tree begins November 22

\* Mitten Tree for James Lane Allen Elementary begins November 22



\* Christmas Offering December 6, 13, and 20

\* Alternative Giving Fair &



Disciples Women Bake Sale—December 13.

More details of these opportunities will appear in upcoming *Chimes* issues.

### Disciples Women Bake Sale

Disciples Women are having their annual Bake Sale in cooperation with the Alternative Giving Fair on December 13. We will be there in Fellowship Hall with a table full of goodies from 9 a.m.—1 p.m.

Stop by and purchase some delicious holiday treats for yourself, for your office, or for your neighbors. All proceeds from the Bake Sale will be given to the Disciples Mission Fund. DW member Jackie Fiscus is chairing this event.

### Moosnick Lecture in Judaic Studies

"The Dead Sea Scrolls:  
Judaism and Christianity"

Wednesday, November 4, 7 p.m.

Carrick Theater, Transylvania University

Lawrence Schiffman, New York University

World's Leading Authority  
on the Dead Sea Scrolls

### Learning to Ease Our Chronic Pain in Collaboration with Our Loved One or Friend

On November 4, Jeannette Lucas will explore what pain involves and coping skills to lessen pain and continue to function meaningfully. We will experiment with some God-given tools to cope with pain for you alone or with your loved one's help.



Elizabeth King, on November 11, will focus on the experience of family members, caregivers, and close friends accompanying people who live with chronic pain.

On November 18, Jeannette Lucas will review the experiences and tools previously explored and engage in a prayerful imagery activity to ease our own or a loved one's pain.

The HUB dinner begins at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and the class follows at 6:45 p.m. in Room 211. Please call the church office to make dinner reservations at (859) 233-1551.

### Christian Care Communities Adult Day Center Celebrates 25th Anniversary

Saturday, November 14, 6 p.m.

### Central Christian Church (Fellowship Hall)

Christian Care's Adult Day Center has provided nursing care, activities and meals for adults who've required assistance with daily living for 25 compassionate years. Join the sit down dinner event and silent auction. Celebrate with us!

For further information and to RSVP, please contact Sherri Harkless at (859) 254-5300 or sherri.harkless@ccc1984.org.