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**Central Calendar**

**Sunday, June 13, 2010**

8:30a...Worship, Sanctuary\*  
 9:30a...Church School\*  
 9:30a...SEA Group, Room 210  
 10:30a...Fellowship Time, Fellowship Center\*  
 11:00a...Worship, Sanctuary\*  
 12:00n...Deacon Meeting/Lunch, Fellowship Center  
 12:15p...VBS Setup, Sanctuary Building

**Monday, June 14, 2010**

9:30a...Ministers Meeting, Conference Room  
 5:30p...Circle 15

**Tuesday, June 15, 2010**

7:00p...Evangelism Ministry, Parlor

**Wednesday, June 16, 2010**

9:00a...Mother's/Grandmother's ChristCare,  
 5:30p...Cultivating Mindfulness, Parlor  
 5:30p...Property Ministry, Discovery Room

**Thursday, June 17, 2010**

**Friday, June 18, 2010**

**Saturday, June 19, 2010**

**Sunday, June 20, 2010**

9:30a...Worship, Sanctuary\*  
 9:30a...Church School\*  
 10:30a...Fellowship Time, Fellowship Center\*  
 11:00a...Worship, Sanctuary\*  
 12:15p...VBS Setup, Sanctuary Building

**Monday, June 21, 2010**

*Vacation Bible School*  
 1:30a...Ministers Meeting, Conference Room

**Tuesday, June 22, 2010**

*Vacation Bible School*  
 7:00p...Capital Debt Committee, Room 210

**Wednesday, June 23, 2010**

*Vacation Bible School*  
 5:30p...Cultivating Mindfulness, Parlor

**Thursday, June 24, 2010**

*Vacation Bible School*  
 7:00p...Chancel Choir, Evans Music Room

**Friday, June 25, 2010**

*Vacation Bible School*  
 7:00p...Shayanna Little & Marshall Jolly's Rehearsal Dinner,  
 Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, June 26, 2010**

\*Child Care Provided  
 \*\* ChristCare Groups are always open to Newcomers.  
 Call Carolyn Richart at 233-1551, ext. 134 for more  
 information.

# The Chimes

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**Sunday in Worship  
 June 13, 2010**

**3rd Sunday of Pentecost**

8:30 a.m.  
 Elizabeth McLaughlin, preaching  
 Carolyn Richart, leading worship

11:00 a.m.  
 Elizabeth McLaughlin, preaching  
 Carolyn Richart & Curt Ehrmantraut,  
 leading worship  
 Ray Parsons & Sherri Harkless, elders

*1 Kings 21:1-21a*  
*Psalm 5:1-8*  
*Galatians 2:15-21*  
*Luke 7:36-8:3*

Meditative Prayer in Chapel  
 After 11:00 a.m. Service  
 Sunday Service Broadcast  
 on the Radio at 11:00 a.m. –  
 On WGVN – 1580 AM.

*Did you know that you can become a  
 fan of Central Christian Church on  
 Facebook?!?! Look us up!*

**Mark Your Calendar for the  
 following congregational  
 meetings regarding the proposed  
 sale of the Little  
 Building: Information meeting  
 following both services, Sunday,  
 July 11 and Congregational  
 Business Meeting to vote on  
 proposed sale following both  
 services, Sunday, July 25.**

Dear Church Family,

What is the significance of building a house? As you read these words, Central members are working to build two houses for two families in two different countries. One is the Habitat build on the north side of Lexington; the other is just over the Texas-Mexico border where our youth are working to "build something beautiful." Last Friday I was honored to accept an invitation to share a brief devotional thought with the folks who were working at the Habitat site. As I thought about what I might say in 3-5 minutes to a group of folks who were working together to build a house for a young family, one passage of scripture kept coming to mind. It's from the book of Jeremiah which, as you know, is one of those exhaustively long books in the middle of the Old Testament—one of the books you've probably tried to read before, arrived at the middle of the first chapter, and wondered who is speaking to whom about what and why he is saying such strange things. Let me see if I can help with that.

Jeremiah was doing his thing around the time the seventh century BCE was giving way to the sixth, so, counting backwards, when the 600's were turning into the 500's. This was not a good time for the kingdom of Judah. A little more than 100 years before they had seen Israel, their neighbors to the north, fall to the Assyrians. And in the late seventh century they were precariously positioned between two of the greatest superpowers in the ancient world: the up-and-coming Babylonians to the north and east and the Egyptians to the south. To the west was water. One need not be an expert in political science or military tactics to surmise why this was bad news for Judah. They survived by making competing treaties, agreements, and accommodations with both sides until one side—the Babylonians—got fed up with their wavering. In 597 the Babylonians invaded Jerusalem, killed the king, took his son and the rest of the ruling class into exile, and set up their own puppet king. In

the 29<sup>th</sup> chapter of Jeremiah, the writer is addressing that first group of exiles—the slain king's son and the rest of the ruling class. He writes in 29:5-7, "Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare." In other words, God has sent you just where you are; now establish yourselves, put down roots, and make a commitment to this place.

Jeremiah's words might not sound like wisdom to our ears. Our society values mobility over stability, so much so that many would consider it unwise to make a commitment to a particular place. "Don't tie yourself down," is the advice frequently given to youngish people. After all, you never know when the next big career opportunity will present itself or when the grass will begin to appear slightly greener somewhere other than wherever you happen to be right now. But there is, I think, an inherent value in stability and a certain wisdom in seeking it. There is a blessing in it as well. When we make a commitment to a place, we open ourselves to the possibility of forming lasting relationships and engaging in genuine community with our neighbors and with the people we encounter regularly at work, school, and church. And it is in the context of that community that we can learn important lessons about our interdependence as human beings created in the image of the triune God and about patience, forgiveness, and even love. All of that is to say that I hope you can see that when we help a family own a home and make a commitment to a particular place, we are helping to create an opportunity that is much more significant than the provision of a place to reside.

Jake



## Get ready to Blast Off into God's Love this Summer

This Sunday we continue registering for our summer Vacation Bible School Galactic Blast. Cadets will voyage into

outer space praising God. Through daily missions, your kids will see space like never before, gain a new perspective on our planet Earth, and learn easy "green" earth tips they can practice at home. This cosmic combination of faith and fun will have your cadets developing a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

You can register online at <http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/galactic-blast/vbs.php?title=BlastOffWithCentral>

Please plan for the child that you love to be a part of this wonderful week in the life of Central.

## Disciples Women Study Workshop

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, July 10 as we plan a new study curriculum and share creative ideas for 2010-2011! The session will begin at 10:00 am in room 210 of the education wing. Should you have questions, call Patsy Golden at 223-0232.

## Save the Date!

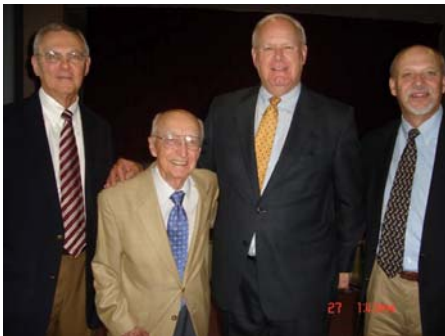


Parents of young children are invited to a summer social on July 10 at 6:00 pm! Bring an appetizer to share and enjoy fun and fellowship at the Golden's home, 2280 Barnwell Lane. Call 223-0232 for

directions. Childcare will be available at the home of Linda Bridwell.

## Celebration of Ordination

Lexington Theological Seminary honored Wayne H. Bell, a member of Central Christian Church, a former president of Lexington Theological Seminary, and a leader in the Disciples church for many years, on May 27th with a luncheon to celebrate his 70th ordination anniversary. Pictured with Dr. Bell at



the celebration are James Johnson, president of Lexington Theological Seminary; James Hamlett, president of the Pension Fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ); and Gregory Alexander, regional minister of the Christian Church In Kentucky. The presence of Dr. Bell and other educators from LTS, Transylvania, University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky University and other institutions of higher education add to the witness and service of Central.

## Central Welcomes New Members

Amy Musterman and Brian Oates transferred their memberships to Central during the 8:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 6, Amy is transferring from a Disciples congregation in Somerset, Kentucky, and she is a psychologist with the Fayette County Schools. Brian is transferring from a Baptist congregation in King, Texas,



and he is a construction/design consultant with Ball Homes. Amy and Brian plan to be married in the summer of 2011 at Central. We welcome them to Central as they continue their faith journey with us.

## Stephen Ministry Featured on PBS

The PBS "Religion and Ethics" news show recently aired an 8 minute feature about Stephen Ministry. You can watch the video online at: [www.pbs.org/wnet/religionandethics/tag/stephen-ministry](http://www.pbs.org/wnet/religionandethics/tag/stephen-ministry) ...and click on the April 8, 2010 "Stephen Ministry" feature. If you are interested in applying for training as a Stephen Minister, or if you wish to discuss being paired with a Stephen Minister, please contact Julie Parsons, [jcparsons@aol.com](mailto:jcparsons@aol.com), or Jan Ehrmantraut, 233-1551 or [jehrmantraut@centralchristianlex.org](mailto:jehrmantraut@centralchristianlex.org).



## Cane Ridge Day / June 19, 2010

The Annual Celebration of Cane Ridge will be June 19 this year, and the program will be "Cane Ridge and Concord, Sister Churches." Both of these sister churches were served by Barton Stone at the same time. The original "Old Concord Church" log cabin (later replaced by a frame structure) was destroyed by a storm in the 1970s.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Cane Ridge Meeting House, 1655 Cane Ridge Road (Hwy 537), (859) 987-5350 - [www.caneridge.org](http://www.caneridge.org).

## Join Crestwood Christian in Ministry at the Detention Center

For the last few years the Shalom and Social Justice Committee at Crestwood has provided a wonderful ministry in the Fayette County Detention Center. Multiple teams of two people visit the units on the second and fourth Sunday evenings and have worship with the detainees. The brief worship services are already planned and include hymns (the detainees choose from a prepared selection), scripture, and communion.

Participants are cleared and trained to serve in this ministry. There is a particular need for people who speak Spanish. It is heart-warming to hear stories from the people who have been involved in this ministry - it is equally a blessing to those who bring the gospel and to those who receive it.

If you are interested in this worthwhile ministry or would like more information, please contact Lynn Gray at the church office, 233-1551, ext. 129.

## Worshiping at Central June 6, 2010

8:30 a.m. Worship	64
11:00 a.m. Worship	288
Children's Worship & Wonder	25
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>377</b>

## Worship Visitors

We had 27 visitors in worship on Sunday and were pleased to welcome many who visit with us regularly.

## Congratulations



To Melanie Smith and Graham Barth who were married at Central, May 29, with Dr. Ray Holdren officiating.



To Artisha Music and Dennis Collins who were married at Central, June 5, with Dr. Ray Holdren officiating.



To Bruce and Ginger Camenisch on the birth of their granddaughter Avery Keam Camenisch; parents are Kevin and Erin Camenisch.



To Jim and Norma Curless on their 60th wedding anniversary.

To Fay Barnes Blevins on her ordination to Christian Ministry.

## Sympathy

To the family of Doris Sutton in her recent death.

To Laura and Josh Santana in the death of Laura's aunt Catherine Vance Ayer.

To Carl Hoppe III and family in the death of Carl's aunt Martha Manby.

To Cecil and Kay Bell, Julie Bell Bloomfield and family in the death of Cecil and Julie's mother Clara Bell.

To Elaine and Jake Graves in the death of Elaine's mother Doris Marshall.

To Marian Congleton and family in the death of her sister Kathryn Dodson.

## Lunch Bunch will be taking a summer break.



## Work Day scheduled for church



The property committee invites you to participate in an outdoor work day at Central on Saturday June 12th at 9:00 am. We will be doing some light yard work that will enhance the beauty of Central's campus. Please bring your favorite gardening tools and any supplies that might be helpful. A rain date is set for the following Saturday, June 19th. Contact E. T. Kash at 859-381-8281 with any questions.

## Memorial Gifts

Have Been Presented To Central Christian Church in Loving Memory of

### JOHN CREECH

By

Bob & Marlene Young  
Edna Naylor

Bill & Fran Embry (for St. James Place)  
Patricia Gulley

### DAVE SHIPPY

By

Wayne & Carol Tune (for Building Fund)  
Sarah T. Wyatt  
Barbara Shippy

Robert & Marilyn Botkin (for Building Fund)

### VIRGINIA PRATHER

By

Sarah T. Wyatt

### DORIS SUTTON

By

Betsy & Dan Stewart

### CLARA BELL

By

Ann Todd Houlihan Dupree  
Patricia Gulley

Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Graves  
John McCord

## Update on Weekly Parking Changes

Suggestions and insights have been pouring in and we thank you for all that has been given. Every concern has been heard and we have a great system coming into play. Coming soon will be new parking clings for members. An announcement will be made that they will be available at the receptionist desk on Sunday mornings and also in the offices during the week. We want to make sure Central members and friends do not encounter a towing service, so if you use the lot on a regular basis for church activities, please contact Demethra @ 233-1551, ext. 122 to let her know your needs for parking. Your suggestions and insights as we work to deal with the parking concerns are still most welcome.

## B & B Central Style was a huge success!

Thank you for participating by creating beautiful baskets, providing delicious bakery items and sharing enthusiastic support for this wonderful cause.

Because of your generosity, we will send almost \$2,000.00 directly to the Disciples Mission Fund to help those in need around the globe.

The Disciples Women Organization