

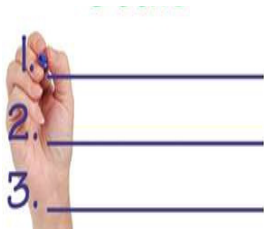


Messenger

DEEP CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY | TRUE COMMUNITY | PASSION FOR JUSTICE

2011-2012

OBJECTIVE SETTING FOR CENTRAL



We are nearing the end of our 2010-2011 program year and have completed most of the objectives we set as a congregation a year ago. Work has begun on a few additional objectives and some have not been tackled for various reasons. It is time to decide where to put our focus during the upcoming program year. The church leadership will be working on their objectives and input to those for the church at large during the next two weeks and we would like to gather your input as well. Last year 48% of the average number attending worship participated in the objective setting process. Let's increase that percentage this year.

There will be an insert in the bulletin for you to complete to indicate your preference for times and days of the week. Margaret Lyon will be in the Narthex on Sunday, August 21st and August 28th taking sign-ups for your participation in specific objective setting sessions. Please sign up and let us know what you want us to accomplish as a church this coming program year.

CWF/OWM FALL RETREAT

Retreat, Pray & Play

"Make a commitment to yourself and God and come spend time with other women at Camp Christian. We will take time to hear what God is saying to each of us about our prayer lives. We will also find time to share fellowship in eating and playing." **COME JOIN US!!!**

September 9th – 11th at Camp Christian

\$80 - Full Weekend - \$40 - Saturday only

Keynote Speaker: Jackie Bunch

Register on line at: <http://ccinoh.org/ministries/discipleswomen.aspx>. For more information contact Jane Bernard at 901-4788.

GOD'S MINUTE



In this world today many do not know what true love is. They confuse it with earthly values. After all, true love is utterly unselfish; it is giving love to another without expecting anything in return.

The Apostle Paul taught us what real love is when he wrote;

Love is patient, love is kind.

It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres.

I Corinthians 13:4-7

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples of Christ

Deep Christian Spirituality
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Morning Watch
Sundays 9:00 am
(Chapel)

Christian Education
Sundays 9:15 am & 9:40 am

Traditional Service
Sundays 10:30 am

Fellowship Hour
Sundays 11:30 am

Church Office
Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Pastor
Rev. David P. Turner

Moderator
Steve Bowser

Elder Chair
Doug Pence

Office Manager
Renita Lewis Whitaker

Custodian
Anthony Shackelford

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Tanya Elaine Noffsinger

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MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Hospitalized: Bettie "Elizabeth" Smith (MVH) Pam Alderman (MVH)
Home Care: Henrietta Farrow Thelma Harman Regina Kempton Mille Molz
Doyle Ware Dorothy Ryan Robert Mayes

Elmcroft: Anne Walters
Lincoln Park: Kathy Anderson/Earline Grice
Sterling House: Elwood Byrnett
Sycamore Ret: Court Henderson
Waterford: Mary Rothenbuhler

Friendship Village: Janice Lyons
Spring Creek: JoAnn Reichbauer
Summit Park Hills: Bettie Smith
Trinity: Frances Mayes

Our Sympathy and Prayers are extended to the family of Norma Kirkland who passed away on Wednesday, August 10th. Funeral arrangements incomplete at the time of this publication.

Our Sympathy and Prayers are extended to the family of Mary Catherine Stewart age 103, who passed away on Tuesday, August 9th. A graveside service will be held at Woodland Cemetery, 118 Woodland Avenue on Monday, August 15th at 11:00 am. Beginning at 3:00 pm, all are invited to a tea in her honor at Lincoln Park Senior Living, 590 Isaac Prugh Way in Kettering. In lieu of flowers memorial gifts can be sent to Central Christian Church "Chancel Poinsettias" fund. Mary Catherine Stewart was a member of Central Christian for 90 years.

Our Sympathy and Prayers are extended to the family of Ruth E. Smart (*sister of Libby Burnett*) who passed away on Friday, August 5th. Funeral service was held on Tuesday, August 9th at Schoedinger Northwest Chapel in Columbus, Ohio.

Our Sympathy and Prayers are extended to the family of Charles Cox, Jr. (*brother of Joan Norman*) who passed away on Friday, August 5th. Funeral service was held at Schindewolf Stevens Stout Funeral Home in Kenton, Ohio on Monday, August 7th.

SERVING IN AUGUST

DEACON CAPTAIN: Brenda Shoup and Lora Davidson

Deacons Serving: Barbara King, Jim King, John Mohr, John Bucy, John Brown, Claudia McCall, Joe Albrecht, Don Wilcox, Shirley Wilcox, John Corbin and Jack Willman.

Deacon Prep/Clean Up: Ann O'Diam

ELDERS FOR COMMUNION:

Aug 14th Lynn and Darlene Rogers **Aug 21st** Susan Aebker and Rex Strine

LAY LEADERS:

Aug 14th Roger Sutherland **Aug 21st** Claudia McCall

FELLOWSHIP HOUR:

Aug 14th Stewardship/Finance **Aug 21st** Evangelism Ministry

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday, Aug 14th	9:00 am	Morning Watch ~ Max Lucado Class
	9:00 am	Christian Education Classes
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour
	1:30 pm	Oakcreek Nursing Home
	3:00 pm	Walnut Creek Nursing Home
Monday, Aug 15th	9:30 am	Senior Fitness Class
Wednesday, Aug 17th	9:30 am	Senior Fitness Class
Thursday, Aug 18th	8:00 am	Life Touch Portrait Class
	9:30 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Friday, Aug 19th	7:00 pm	Group Interaction
Sunday, Aug 21st	9:00 am	Morning Watch ~ Max Lucado Class
	9:00 am	Christian Education Classes
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour
Monday, Aug 22nd	9:30 am	Senior Fitness Class
	7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Wednesday, Aug 24th	9:30 am	Senior Fitness Class
	7:00 pm	Kettering Toastmasters
Thursday, Aug 25th	9:30 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Friday, Aug 26th	7:00 pm	Group Interaction
Saturday, Aug 27th	9:00 am	Board/Elder Retreat

Prayer Requests

Bettie Smith
 Pam Alderman
 Tom Bernard
 Tammy Turner
 David McCall
 Gaye Kirkland
 Merle Kidd
 David Sipple
 Virginia Perkins
 Our Church



If you have a prayer request please enter your request on your attendance card located in Sunday's bulletin or email/call the church office. Your prayer request will be published in the Messenger so you will have the power of an entire congregation and others praying with you.

WORLD OUTREACH/SOCIAL CONCERNS NEEDS YOUR HELP

There is a family of four children who do not have the basic wardrobe necessities such as socks, underwear and shoes, much less clothes or supplies to start school. World Outreach is asking for monetary donations to help get them ready for school. If you can help, please put money in one of the pew envelopes and place it in the offering tray, Please make a note on the envelope that it is for "The Outreach Family". If you have any questions, please contact Karen Moon at 474-4698.

**Thanks so much,
 World Outreach/Social Concerns**

ATTENTION: DEACONS

There will be a brief meeting following the traditional service in the sanctuary this Sunday, August 14th to discuss the upcoming year. All deacons are asked to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Lora Davidson at ldavidson4@att.net.

ATTENTION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Due to the Board/Elder Retreat on Saturday, August 27th and Advance Conference the Executive Board will not meet next Tuesday, August 16th. The next schedule board meeting is Tuesday, September 20th at 7:00 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Bowser at sbowser398@aol.com or the church office.

ELDERS MEETING

The Elders will meet on Monday, August 22nd at 7:00 pm. All Elders are asked to attend this meeting. Please if possible even the Elders that are on Sabbatical. This meeting is very important. This I hope would be the only meeting I am requesting all Elders to attend. Please advise me if you are unable to attend. Please bring your ideas and questions to this meeting that will move our church forward and thus continue our mission of serving our God thru our church.

God Bless - Doug Pence

ADVANCE CONFERENCE ATTENDEES

Remember the following in your thoughts and prayers and they attend Advance Conference August 14th – 21st. You can write them at Camp Christian, Magnetic Springs, Ohio 43036.

**Andrew Green
 Tim Green
 Joel Turner
 Ryan Turner
 Sarah Wilhoit
 David Turner (Keynote Speaker)**

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS DIRECTORY

If you haven't done so, please submit your information for the 2011-2012 Members and Friends Directory. If you have changed your address, phone number, email, or need to make a correction from the last year's directory, please email the church office at office@ccc-ket.or or call 254.2649.

FEED THE HUNGRY

Donations to the food pantry often decline. Unfortunately, hunger doesn't take a vacation. Please help stock our shelves by bringing canned and non-perishable food items the church. You can place your donation on the table in the Narthex marked "Food Pantry." Thank you for your support to our food pantry.



Bible Wordsearch Church at Sardis

Wordsearch 190 Rev.3:1-6

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C	E	L	V	I	D	F	R	N	D	H	D	W	U	C	DRESSED	SPIRITS
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After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

Psalm 34

Worship at Central Christian	
Sunday, August 7th	
Nursery:	8
Morning Watch	10
Traditional	<u>126</u>
Total:	144

Thought to Ponder...

Life can only be understood backwards;
 But it must be lived forwards.



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The Last Word...

by David P. Turner

One of the things I love about summer is the chance to change my routine. Already this summer I've been the storyteller at VBS, spent a week in Nashville at the General Assembly, traveled to Iowa to celebrate my parent's 50th anniversary and now I'm preparing for my role as a faculty member at Advance conference. I feel like I've already had a busy summer, and there's still more to come!

Change, though often difficult for us, is usually a healthy thing. Years ago the Denver Zoo was offered the gift of a beautiful, large polar bear. The problem was that there was no existing room for the bear. The board of directors decided to build a magnificent new habitat for the bear, with plenty of room for him to run and swim and play. In the meantime, the bear was put in a small temporary cage. The space was so small the bear could only take three steps up, turn around and walk three steps back, day after day after day. Because of unforeseen delays, the construction of the habitat took well over a year. When it was finished it was beautiful – waterfalls, caves, and lots of room. When the polar bear finally entered its new home, it looked around, took three steps forward, turned around, took three steps back, turned around...

The Christian faith provides us with a vision of the world unlike any other. Through the eyes of faith, we recognize the world to be God's creation and we know all people to be

God's children. Still, if we're not careful, we can find ourselves walking in the same worn out ruts.

God is the creator and sustainer of the universe. That is what we witness to every time we gather in worship. Worship is the place where we are reminded of God's power to make all things new. That is why it is so important we not neglect worship – during the summer or any other time of the year.

Bishop Woodie White of the Methodist Church in Indiana tells of a little bird in Europe called the chaffinch bird. These birds sing like canaries, but there is a strange thing about them: when people take them into their homes, the little songbirds soon forget how to sing. Then, when the birds forget how to sing, they get sick. If they are not taken back to be with the other birds in the woods (or wherever the congregate) to relearn how to sing, eventually they get so depressed they die. Bishop White goes on to say, "So it is with everyone born of the Spirit. Without worship, we lose our song, we shrivel up spiritually, and we die."

During this season of re-creation and relaxation, when you put aside your normal routine for the different rhythms of summer, don't forget that worship is the one constant that brings joy and meaning to everything else we do.