

Central Christian Church Disciples of Christ



Mid October 2020

Greetings

Greetings fellow sheep! I hope this finds you well on this day. It has sure been an interesting year for us all. My family and I have appreciated you opening your hearts and your church to us with open arms. I have said this numerous times throughout different Sunday messages, but I have really enjoyed the study of Psalms 23 with you. We will spend the next couple weeks finishing this study and then move towards getting our minds and hearts ready for advent.

I think many of us could view this time right now, during this pandemic, as a valley that we are trying to get through to the other side. I encourage you to spend time reflecting on how Psalms 23 relates to your life right now. We are all sheep and relying on our Shepherd is the way to continue to trench through the valley. Remember valleys will always have an exit. They are not permanent; they are only temporary. Our shepherd is our guide through life and will show us the way.

It is an interesting time right now and no matter what your opinion or feelings are about the

pandemic. We have all been affected one way or another. I feel as though our continued worshipping together is a true testament to our love for our Lord and Savior. I pray that you continue to come and worship with us. If you haven't worshiped with us for some time, I encourage you to come and join your fellow Disciples to praise God alongside each other. I pray for a safe return into the building if that is what you are comfortable with. The board has been praying for guidance along the way to be able to open the church back up in order to be safe and protect all. They are working on different solutions so that everyone feels comfortable and able to worship in more than one way with us.

Continue to know that your Shepherd is with you in the valleys, guiding you, leading you. Listen, do not be afraid. Follow your Shepherd!!!

Go bbaaaaaa, I mean, be the church!

Peace,
Pastor Andy



6th Mary Coleman
10th Stu Nevins
12th Carole Weber
13th Carl Osgood
23rd Emily Manis
28th Shawna Cutler

Online Streaming

Many churches are worshipping with online live streaming on YouTube and Facebook as an alternative to in person worship. Since the pandemic started many of us have worshipped online with our former Pastor Tim Murtaugh and former member Suzie Moore. At the October 15 board meeting, unanimous approval was given for Central to upgrade our audio/video system for online live streaming.

We will be working with Lifeline Audio Video, Platteville, WI who installed our video and sound system as part of the New View project. Our current camera and sound

system will be used which is a considerable cost savings. Adding other new pieces will allow us to broadcast our entire service live. The broadcast will also be recorded and available for viewing at a later time. Snowbirds and anyone unable to attend on Sunday, will always be able to “be with us every Sunday!” Special messages can be recorded and broadcast at different times during the week. Many churches are finding that this is an excellent evangelism tool.

We will continue to record DVDs of the service which are always available to members for viewing. The church may also purchase several portable DVD

players and pass these around to our home bound members.

The board approved an expenditure of up to \$3,500 from existing New View funds for this ministry. If you would like to support this ministry, the contributions will be returned to the New View account for later uses. The Region also offers financial assistance for online worship or live-streaming systems. A grant request will be submitted to them.

Watch for updates as we work with Lifeline on the installation!



Daylight Savings Time

The 2020 Daylight Savings time will end at 2:00 a.m., Sunday, November 1, 2020. Mark your calendars to turn your clocks back one hour before retiring on Saturday, October 31, 2020.



2020 Thanksgiving Offering

From the very beginnings of the movement, Disciples have founded institutions of higher learning, encouraging students in their intellectual pursuits. The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is still committed to higher education.

On November 15 and 22, Disciples churches across the US and Canada will collect the Thanksgiving offering. In the midst of national and global challenges associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, our higher education institutions are facing unprecedented challenges and need our support now, more than ever. Even as they work diligently to ensure safe and healthy learning environments, the financial realities faced by many of our schools is adding additional stress to students, faculty and staff.

This November, please give generously to this year's Thanksgiving offering. Your gifts make a world of difference as Disciples continue our legacy of supporting education and our institutions of higher learning.



Higher Education & Leadership Ministries

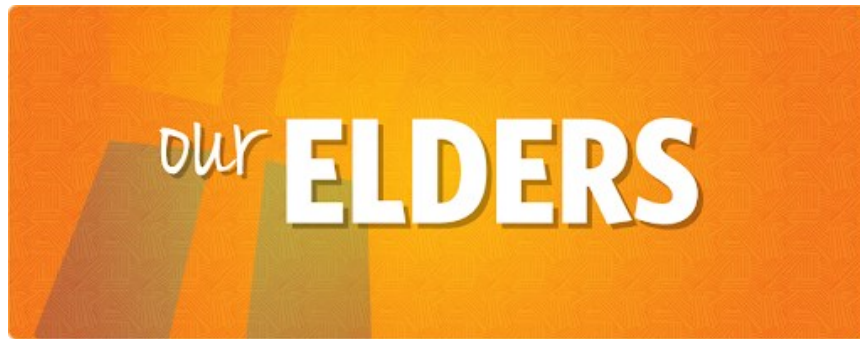
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Please keep this list of Elders so that when the Church Office is closed you may contact an Elder with any personal or family urgent matters. Additionally, the Elders will be checking the Church Office voicemail in the evenings and on weekends.



November Elder Schedule

Sunday, November 1st	Beth Campbell
Sunday, November 8th	Jim Anctil
Sunday, November 15th	Mary Abens
Sunday, November 22nd	Mark Smith
Sunday, November 29th	Melissa Osgood

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We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.
Disciples of Christ Statement of Identity