

We Are



# Central Baptist Herald

## November 2016

A Message from  
Ken Bryant  
Deacon Chairman



### Deacon Nominations



Priscilla Warner

#### Deacon Nominees

2017 - 2019

These folks have agreed to serve as Central's Deacons during the next three years. Your vote on November 13 during the Annual Church conference is needed. We hope you will get acquainted with each of them during the interim.



Marty Petty



Barbara Frase

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## Sonny's Sayings

Thanksgiving. We all know the story behind our November holiday, whether or not it was fact. I re-

member Isabel acting out the Thanksgiving story when she was in preschool, complete with pilgrim hats and tribal feathers. But that story has a deeper meaning behind the school plays: God provided for those travelers in a time of real struggle. And the story that we have attached to the pilgrims has spawned countless other thanksgiving stories.

Over the centuries, Thanksgiving spreads - turkey and stuffing, cranberries and green beans, pies and tea - have been responsible for countless family reun-

ions, for family reconciliations, for hospitality offered to strangers, and other memorable moments in our life for which we are grateful. There are so many new stories that the pilgrim story almost doesn't matter. The holiday is now just about giving thanks.

The same is true of church life. Churches have origin stories, just like Thanksgiving. At Central, we have stories of God's provision and God's care at the founding of our church. They are stories that we hold near to our hearts.

But like Thanksgiving's origin story spawned other stories, our founding story needs to give birth to other stories of God's provision in our life. And those stories need to be told, and need to be remembered.

I'd like to invite you this next month to think about how you are thankful for people in the church, and write them a thank you card. Sometimes just remembering that we are thankful can help us to regain our sense of gratitude, and can lift our spirits. I do hope you have a happy Thanksgiving!

*Blessings, Sonny*

**This November 13, our church will hold its annual church conference**, to take place after our worship service. Several items will be voted on for the coming year:

- New deacons to be added
- New trustees
- The slate of officers for 2017
- Committees and Team Leaders

In addition, this year we will vote on the proposal presented by Sonny, and approved by the deacons, for his sabbatical in 2017. Also, we will vote on a motion made by the trustees regarding their authority for selling the camp. Paperwork for each of these items will be made available **from October 30** in the vestibule, or at the church office.

**Then on November 6<sup>th</sup>, we will have a communion meeting** following worship. With your busy schedule, you may want to sprint out the door, but we hope you will take the time, as others do, to stay and listen to the information presented. It gives you the opportunity to ask for clarification and reflect on how you may want the church to proceed.

Each of these items is of significant importance to every church member and will be presented as quickly as is possible (given your interest and the questions or comments you may have). Please plan to remain following worship and be a part of this important meeting.

### ***Praising God!***

#### **2016 Year-to-Date** **(10/23/16)**

Avg. Worship Attendance: 138  
New Members: 10  
Total Receipts: \$337,476.66  
Total Spending: \$370,160.27

#### **Special Gifts to Central This Month:**

**In Memory of:**

**Dian Bennett**

From James & Tommie Lou Hitson

**Bill Sinnett**

From Bob & Mary Anne Trumbull

**Bob Bills, Les Burdette & Carole**

**Tarpley**

From Gwen Bills

**Trevor & Jennifer Leonardi**

**For Children & Youth Ministry**

From Kevin & Kimberly Leonardi

**Kent H. Butts**

From April Butts

# November 2016

Regular Thursday Schedule  
11/3 & 11/10  
2:40 p.m. - CrieShore  
11/24 & 11/25 Thanksgiving  
Holiday Church Office Closed

Regular Wednesday  
3:45 p.m. Family Dinner  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Share!, Youth Group, Nursery Available  
7:30 p.m. Choir  
Note: 11/23 No Church Activities

Regular Tuesday Schedule  
10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study  
1:00 p.m. Women's Christian Book  
2:30 p.m. Beginning Bridge  
Marchman Bldg., Rm. 116  
6:00 p.m. Disciple, Rm. 4  
6:00 p.m. Bel Canto Children's Choir  
Sanctuary

Regular Sunday Schedule:  
9:15 a.m. Faith Discussion Group  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, LifeTree Café,  
10:45 a.m. Worship w/ Preschool Nursery  
Available

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p><b>Lifetree Café</b> Sundays at 9:40 a.m. Marchman Bldg., Rm. 116 11/6 Choosing Resilience 11/13 Lighten Up 10/20 Living Online 10/27 Giving Up On God</p>	<p><b>1</b> Birthdays: Denver Cobb</p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:30 a.m. Communion at Indigo Manor</p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b> Birthdays: Carol Rutter Alesha Russell</p>	<p><b>5</b> Birthdays: Mari Beth Wise</p>
<p><b>6</b> Communications Meeting Following Worship Birthdays: Jean Anderson Deanne Booher Rhianon Bunn Ricky McDaniel</p>	<p><b>7</b> 6:00 p.m. Deacons' Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. Deacons' Mtg. Birthdays: Margaret Fullerson</p>	<p><b>8</b> Birthdays: Kim Rummery Bastian Patsy Hill</p>	<p><b>9</b> Birthdays: Helen Cummins Doug Harrell Joan Schrysen</p>	<p><b>10</b> Birthdays: Gwen Bills Jennifer Goodwin Mae Holmes</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>13</b> Annual Church Conference Following Worship Halifax Urban Ministries Food Drive Begins Birthdays: Robert Matthews</p>	<p><b>14</b> 6:30 p.m. Bldg. &amp; Grounds Mtg., Rm. 4</p>	<p><b>15</b> Birthdays: Bill Bethea Evelyn Chaffin Caroline Wise Riley Wise</p>	<p><b>16</b> 6:30 Special Video: The Problem with Payday Loans</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b> Birthdays: Mike O'Sullivan</p>
<p><b>20</b> Halifax Urban Ministries Food Drive Ends Thanksgiving Dinner following Worship</p>	<p><b>21</b> Birthdays: Barbara Giles 4:00 p.m. Helpers Decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas</p>	<p><b>22</b> Birthdays: Larry Donaldson</p>	<p><b>23</b> Birthdays: Art Schrysen No Evening Activities</p>	<p><b>24</b> Birthdays: Matt Nelson Thanksgiving Day Church Office Closed</p>	<p><b>25</b> Birthdays: Russell Barnhart Bill Wallis Church Office Closed</p>
<p><b>27</b> Angel Tree Wish Lists Available</p>	<p><b>28</b> 9:00 a.m. Helpers Decorate Adams Hall for Christmas</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>Family Dinner Menu</b> 11/2 Beef Tips, Rice, Corn 11/7 Potluck, Salad, Dessert 11/16 BBQ Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Chips 11/20 Thanksgiving Dinner 11/23 No Family Activities 11/30 Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Toast</p>	<p><b>19</b> Birthdays: Betty Wingard</p>

## LINDA'S LOG....

I recently attended a meeting of an organization I now belong to that is about to choose new board members. I'm the newby so I'm simply listening and trying to withhold judgments until I know more. It was startling to hear two of the four candidates speak a platform requesting harmony or unity...and a third candidate speak about desiring fairness for each one. It kind of made me concerned about what I may be getting into, but more likely it's a statement about life in general today. Our political candidates have waged vitriolic campaigns; the media outlets seem to thrive on who can produce the most sensational "breaking news;" most days at work are spent in problem-solving mode, rather than peaceful productivity; home life is filled with worry and angst related to unwanted changes: health issues, financial concerns, family members who are dealing with fallout from poor decisions, and general fear of what tomorrow will bring! Most folks would declare that life is mostly disharmony and even the most positive among us will admit that we each face daily challenges.

How then, can we meet these challenges? How can we exemplify the Peaceable Kingdom? How can we cope in an increasingly fast-paced world when we crave a kinder, gentler existence? For Christians the obvious response is, like the preschooler who had figured out that if he didn't know the answer to his Sunday School teacher's question he could simply say, "Jesus!" and generally be rewarded, our answer is always Jesus. One of my favorite authors and heroes of the faith is Corrie Ten Boom, who along with her family saved nearly 800 Jews from Nazi annihilation during WWII, said, "Look around and be distressed; look inside and be depressed; look at Jesus and be addressed!"

We all know that Jesus modeled this peace. He was fully human, as well as totally Divine...so He rested. Jesus was fully human, as well as totally Divine...so he prayed. Jesus was fully human, as well as Divine....so he studied Scripture and shared it with others. Jesus was fully Divine, as well as human...so He set his priorities and He always gave God the credit. Jesus was fully Divine, as well as human, so he didn't run from his enemies; he worked out disagreements and pettiness. Jesus was fully Divine, as well as human, so he forgave and suffered on our behalf. Clearly, we are fully human...but because of Jesus, we are also members of that Divine family: brothers and sisters in

Christ. As human as we are, how can we begin to live up to our Divine status? How can we overcome our anxieties? How can we cope with changes, especially the changes we did not choose? How can we live peacefully without being spineless jellyfish? How can we use our gifts, including intelligences and common sense, to avoid misunderstandings, hurt feelings, and the appearance of intractability? How can we let go and let God, when we want to fight against changes that make us feel lost or displaced? How can we resolve daily to look ahead and accept new methods and situations that will eventually simplify and secure our futures, even when we are filled with fear about tomorrow? Wow! A whole paragraph of questions! But ONE answer: Jesus!

Jesus modeled rest, reconciliation, study, relational living, contemplative prayer, and open-hearted forgiveness. We must daily examine ourselves and be willing to make an honest attempt to live up to the Divine status Jesus gives each of us. We cannot rise to this challenge alone; we need Divine help but we also need our brothers and sisters in Christ.

It is a privilege to have an earthly church family, as imperfect as we are, with whom to share our joys, burdens, fears and responsibilities. As we enter the season of thanksgiving, let us strive to live closer to our Creator and to be true accountability partners with our church family: let's help each other look ahead to Christ's example instead of participating in "ain't it awful;" let's give comfort and a listening ear without staying in the pit of hopelessness; let's gather to give thanks and pray for church leaders, both those who continue to serve faithfully and those who will be elected between now and year's end; let's use Scripture to overcome fear and angst; let's do whatever we can wherever we are to model harmony and winsomeness that others may see the light of Christ shining through us. Then we can say like the Apostle Paul to the Philippian church, "I thank my God every time I remember you!"

Gratefully, Linda



**The Ordinance** - CBF has partnered with several other Christian organizations to address injustices related to payday lending and its effects on local communities: mainly that the poorest among us who have no voice are being legally preyed upon by unscrupulous businesses, charging exorbitant fees and interest that most individuals who find themselves in need can never hope to overcome.

A non-profit documentary, "The Ordinance," has been loaned to us by CBF-Florida, to help inform regarding the magnitude of the issue and to stimulate discussion related to the appropriate Christian response.

We are planning to show this film during Wednesday night adult Bible Study time, on November 16 (6:30-7:30), with a brief discussion to follow. Please help spread the word and encourage others to be present so that we can be fully informed about critical life issues involving many of our neighbors. This is a worthwhile conversation, especially for any inner-city church.



## Matt Nelson

Kids remember. The youth had an incredible time at Passport this past summer, with all its ups and downs. Even with the 14 hour drive with little-to-no air conditioning, they still talk about it and want to go back.

What is it about these times and events that bring our hearts joy? Is it because they get us out into the world away from home? Is it because of the amount of effort put into the experience by the leaders? Is it the intentional time we get with our friends and with God?

The answer is probably yes, and then some. I played some of the crowd favorite songs in Youth Group Wednesday night and they just came alive. When we finished, they made me keep playing because they love the songs so much. But in reality, the songs are just fine. It isn't really about the song: it is about remembering an experience

where they grew together, felt loved, and connected to the divine.

We all have songs like this. For me, *With Everything* by Hillsong will always bring me to a place of worship because it reminds me of my dear friends in Youth Encounter and several worship experiences that included that song.

For my mom, *It Is Well with My Soul* never fails to bring her to tears. For you it could be *Amazing Grace*, *Blessed Be Your Name*, or *Old McDonald*, and that is your story.

May we also learn to see the truth and value in each other's stories. And just because we have a few more years on us than these middle and high schoolers, don't think we've outgrown our unnecessary biases and nostalgic tendencies.

We're just big kids, and we remember, too. Go ahead – put that record on and thank God for the memories we have. *Matt*



A GriefShare Seminar, *Surviving the Holidays* will be held Saturday, November 19 - 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Beginning with breakfast. There is no charge but a small donation to help cover the holiday book would be appreciated. The seminar offers practical and actionable strategies for making it through out the holiday season.

Gatherings: Thursdays at 2:30 p.m.

Questions: Call Joyce Page (386-677-8962)

### Bridge Anyone?

Every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. you can join Beginning Bridge in Lifetree Café, fellowship with others from Central, and learn to play a great mind growing game.



### CBS'ers Last Meeting of 20116



On December 1 at 10 a.m. this fun Christian group will meet in Adams Hall for their combined November and December Christmas meeting. Cost is only \$2. Come join in the fun!

Plan to attend the News Journal Music Concert on December 1. All music departments at Daytona State College will be performing as well as our own Daytona Beach Symphonic Band with Malinda Rawls. The bus will depart Central parking lot at 6:45. Call the office to reserve a ticket and your seat on the bus. The tickets are free, but need to be reserved if you wish to attend this event.

News Journal Center Plans for next year are under way for "Slinky the Musical" performance on January 14 at 2 p.m. The cost is just \$18 for the group rate. Central's own Helen Cummins will be the lead artist in this play.



### Join the Fun of Helping to Decorate Central for Christmas

On November 21 we begin decorate the church Sanctuary at 4 p.m. On November 28, at 9 a.m. we will begin decorating Adams Hall. Everyone is welcome to help. Call the office (255-2588) or just arrive with helpful hands.

Halifax Urban Ministries - Food Needs Focused 11/13 - 11/20

*Central's Servants:* **Corrie Wise**  
**Born Teacher**  
 by Joan Singley Schrysen



It is said that the best teachers are born, not made. Corrie Wise is a born teacher. "I've always liked teaching," she said when she spoke of her work years ago as a nurse. She did a lot of mother/baby nursing: well-baby and preemies, prenatal classes and family care of newborns. Nowadays Corrie works as a Meeting Leader and At-Work Specialist for Weight Watchers, giving her ample opportunities to teach, both members and leaders.

At Central, Corrie has long been associated with the Children's Programs. She started around 1988 on a rotating schedule in the Pre-school Department. Later she became the preschool teacher for the three- and four-year-olds. Over the years Corrie has taught the kindergarten/first graders, the preschool children's choir, and Vacation Bible School. Currently she teaches the elementary (K to Grade 5) children in Sunday School.

Asked about the best part of teaching children, Corrie thought for awhile and then said, "Just watching them grasp concepts. There's a moment when they say something or write something and you think, 'Oh, they got it!'" She went on, "It's always good for me, too. As I am teaching the children I may find myself thinking, 'Why are you worrying about this or that? God's going to take care of you.'"

Stressing the importance of parents bringing their children to Sunday School and church, Corrie states "They need to learn who God is from the right source. They need to learn about God where God's community is - in church."

Corrie first came to Central about 1987 to be a part of Joyce and Jim Page's new Sunday School class for young parents. Speaking of her spiritual life today, Corrie mentioned her prayer life and her favorite Scripture: If God is for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31 Her encouragement for Central people: "You never know what you can do until you try it. People underestimate their gifts. People have no idea what they're capable of. God gave us the ability to do anything that we put our mind to doing. God wants us to be the best we can be."

Certainly Central is blessed to have Corrie Wise, a dedicated and born teacher, instructing their children.

CORRIE and MICHAEL WISE have been married 34 years. They have three daughters and a son, all grown now. Michael works as an Occupational Therapist.

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**On Their Upcoming Marriage**  
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**Bel Canto Singers**  
 Bel Canto Singers have rescheduled their Gala to Nov. 12 from 6-11 p.m. It will be held at The Club at Pelican Bay, 350 Pelican Bay Dr., Daytona Beach. The First Annual "Fall Into Song Gala," black tie optional, will begin at 6 p.m. and include a silent auction. Dinner at 7 p.m. with dancing and songs between sets sung by various Bel Canto singers. Tickets are \$50. Call Mark Harmon at 386-262-4822.  
 The *Bel Canto Christmas Program* is December 4 at 3:30 p.m. here at Central. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

**Servant Leadership**

- Ministers . . . . . All Members
- Senior Pastor . . . . . Rev. Sonny Gallman
- Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship/Outreach . . . . . Rev. Linda Pigott
- Assoc. Pastor of Worship, Youth & Families . . . . . Matt Nelson
- Choir Director . . . . . Rev. Lee Gallman
- Organist . . . . . Penny Redfearn
- Pianist . . . . . Meg Pokorny
- Office Manager . . . . . Gwen Bills
- Custodian . . . . . Steve Lauxman
- Camp Volunteer Ministry . . . . . The Swartzfager Family

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