

We Are



Central Baptist Herald

March, 2019



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH

JOIN US FOR DINNER AT 5:45—

ADAMS HALL

Reserve by noon, Tuesday

WORSHIP AT 6:45—SANCTUARY
WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES

Nursery Available for Preschoolers
No Shine! Or Youth Group



Children & Teens Working Hard at Soup 'R Chili
Cook-off to Earn Money for Summer Camp.

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Sonny's Sayings...

I am blessed to be a part of two different accountability groups at Central. One of those groups is a group that was formed from my involvement in the Walk to Emmaus, one the best retreats I have seen. I

meet with what is called a "fourth day reunion group," and we each have the opportunity to talk to each other about how our week has gone, our moments of being close to Christ, and our moments of being challenged by Christ. Its imprint on my life has been invaluable.

I am also a part of a "Renovare" Group, which was formed by a group of people who had a desire to develop a deeper spirituality through spiritual reading. We have read books by Leonard Sweet, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Henri Nouwen, and Trevor Hudson, as well as excerpts of books from through the centuries of spiritual writing.

What I have loved about participating in these groups, is the same thing that makes them challenging. Each week, I know that two groups of people are going to gather who are serious about their faith and their spirituality. And while most weeks I look forward to meeting with them, but some weeks I know that I am going to have report to them, whether my week has been good or not, whether I have lived up to my commitments or not.

Because of these groups, I have read things that I would not have otherwise read; I have talked through things that I would have processed on my own; and I have heard opinions that were very different from mine. I have been walked through great moments of doubt in my spiritual journey, and I have walked others through their moments of doubt. We have laughed together, we have cried together. We have been the voice of grace, and the voice of challenge to each other.

I cannot stress to you how important these groups have been to me. I also cannot stress how important these groups are to all believers. Such groups do not let us get away with doing faith on our own. They keep us (or at least they have kept me) from developing spiritual laziness, and they have taught me that even with as much Bible knowledge as I have, it does not compare to the richness I have experienced in traveling with fellow believers.

And so, I'd like to invite you, if you have interest in being a part of one of these groups, to let me know. Or if you are already a part of a group like this, I'd love to know about it. I will certainly help and support any person who wants to grow in their spirituality. May God bless you and keep you this month.

Blessings, Sonny

Easter Lily Memorials

Anyone wishing to purchase a memorial Easter Lily to be used to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday may do so by calling the church office before April 1. The lilies are individual plants in 6" pots for \$19 each.

Praising God!

Year-to-Date (2/24/19)

Avg. Worship Attendance: 134

Total Receipts: \$52,584.49

Total Spending: \$65,685.69

Special Gifts this Month

In Loving Memory of:

Bob Bills, Ernest Tarpley, Jeff Murrell & Bo Gibson

From: Gwen Bills

Ernest Tarpley, Jeff Murrell & Bo Gibson

From: Central Baptist Choir

Harold Holmes

From: Mae Holmes

Earnest Tarpley

From: Richard & Lavelle Dycus

Robert Kearney

From: Dan & Carol Rutter

Bo Gibson

From: Shirley Hess, Jack & Betty Wingard,
Charles & Penny McMillen

Jim Murphy

From: Donna Murphy

In Honor of:

**Chip Gallman, Tommie Lou Hitson, Ruth Esther Compton, & Penny Redfearn's Birthdays
For: Prime Timers**

From: Edward & Martha Meadows

Phyllis Davis & Mary Sheffield

For: MOPS

From: Edward & Martha Meadows

You Can Give Now

Use this QR code to connect to your online bank. Your generosity means that Central can more easily shine a light for Christ in our neighborhood and around the world. Contributions may also be made at www.centralbc.org.

Visa and MasterCard accepted.



Youth Serving at CBF-FL Mission Madness

Jacksonville, FL —Presidents' Day Weekend



Prime Timers



**Blue Springs Park
Feb. 21**



NEXT Prime Timer event: "Godspell" at the Museum of Arts & Science Center, March 23, matinee. \$14 / person, paid in cash at sign-up in church office. Limited bus seating, first come, first served.



Successful Soup 'R Chili Cook-off Fund-raiser

Darla Petty and a host of faithful volunteers from the mission team worked hard to help our youth and children raise money to help reduce the costs of going to summer camp this year at the Soup 'R Chili Cook-off on Sunday, 2/24. For age appropriate reasons, the elementary children are planning regular yearly summer camp, while the teen-agers will alternate years between summer youth camp and the inter-generational mission trip. (Photos on Page 5)

This year the children (gr 3-6) are again going to Deland (Stetson University) June 12-15 for Passport Kids Camp, while the teens (gr. 6-12) are planning to go to Student Life Camp in Lakeland (Southeastern University) June 28-July3.

Families are asked to contribute 2 payments of \$85 each. We are hoping and praying that the remainder of the cost of \$325/ child can be covered through donations and fund-raising. All payments must be in by May 1, so another event, a **barbecue fundraiser, is being planned for March 31.**

These summer experiences are important for our children and teens both spiritually and relationally. We are so blessed that Central is a faith community that strives to ensure outreach and blessings to families who need help providing this type of activity.



Church Family Quilt to Be Expanded



Susan Shoopman has agreed to lead the development and construction of another church family quilt!

Perhaps you've noticed the beautiful church family quilts hanging in our sanctuary.... These are the result of a lovely group effort that engaged each of the families shown on the quilts.

Each family was tasked with choosing a family theme verse; the family then chose a quilt square (provided) and developed and produced a design that illustrated the verse and included the names of their family members. A group of quilters pieced the completed squares together and finished the remainder of the quilts.

Others have joined our fellowship since their completion; this is an opportunity for you to be included in our family if you are newer to Central or if you have been here awhile and somehow missed out on the first quilt-making project. We need to know who is interested so we can provide enough materials.

Please **call the church office by Sunday March 9 to sign-up** to make your family quilt square. Fabric, art supplies and design assistance will be provided in **Adams Hall on Saturday morning, March 16 from 10-12 a.m.** Specific questions can be answered by project leader, Susan Shoopman (386-788-6668).

Regular Sunday Schedule:
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
 9:30 a.m. LifeTree Café
 10:45 a.m. Worship w/ Preschool
 Nursery Provided

Regular Tuesday Schedule:
 10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
 1:00 p.m. Women's Book Club

Regular Wednesday Night Schedule:
 5:45 Family Dinner
 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study,
 Shine!, Youth Gathering,
 Nursery Provided
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Regular Thursday Schedule
 2:30 p.m. Grief/Share

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Lifetree Café: Sundays 9:30 a.m., Marchman Bldg., Rm. 115</i> 3/3 Allergic to Food 3/10 How the Next Generation Will Change the World 3/17 Angels, Are they Reaching Out to You? 3/24 Family Do-Over 3/31 Breaking the Cycle of Sexual Abuse		Family Dinner Menu: 3/6 Spaghetti & Meatballs, Mixed Veggies 3/13 Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans 3/20 Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Mixed Veggies 3/27 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn All meals include Salad, Rolls, Beverages & Dessert. Cost - Seniors 65+: \$5, Adults: \$7, Kids <18 Eat FREE			1	2 Birthdays: Phyllis Davis Kenna-Marie McCulley
3	4	5 Birthdays: Betty Comer-Henry Ellen Clontz Holly Inglett	6 Birthday: Denise Jones 6:45 p.m.—Ash Wednesday Worship (No Youth Group or Shine!)	7 Birthday: Judi Cowher	8 Birthday: Susan Shoopman	9 Birthday: Cross Bode 10 a.m.—Craft Class
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins	11 9:30 — MOPS	12 Birthday: Tim Lauxman	13 Birthdays: Anne Jones Sky Meadows Dan Williams	14 Birthdays: Michael Martin Jill Matthews	15 Birthdays: Carolyn Gibson- Neimann Ryan Padgett	16 Birthday: Kimmy Joy Richardson 10 a.m.—Church Family Quilt Making
17 Birthday: Jim Rademacher Happy St. Patrick's Day Passport Camp 2nd Payment Due	18 Birthdays: Nico Adinolfi Betty Edwards 5:00 p.m. — Church Council	19	20	21 Birthdays: Carole Ford Emily Queen Kim Rand	22	23 Birthdays: Dot Parker Madisen Smith Bob Trumbull Prime Timers to See "Godspell" at MOAS
24 Birthdays: Beth Burrows Carys Cuda 31 Birthday: Hester Hudson 12:00-Bar-B-Q Fundraiser-	25 Birthdays: Jamani Moore John Raser 9:30 — MOPS	26 Birthday: Leah Pokorny	27 Birthday: Michael Weaver	28 Birthday: Rosenell Mounts	29 Birthday: Jennifer Inglett	30 Birthdays: Paulette Amos Alice Rippey

Soup 'R Chili Cook-off Funding Summer Camp

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Central's Servants

Charge Forward – with Love

by Joan Singley Schrysen



Jim Shoopman, newly elected Chair of Deacons, issues a challenge to Central: Charge forward. Seize the moment and charge forward. Based on Colonel Joshua Chamberlain's epic command as he faced impossible odds during the Battle of Gettysburg, Jim is quick to qualify his challenge. "Charging forward can sometimes be very aggressive and hurtful, but if it's shrouded in the mystery of love it becomes a beautiful onslaught of love." He is also adds, "I don't know that I live that out very well, but I love the idea."

After his early years in Arkansas and Louisiana, Jim has lived most of his life in Florida. He first came to Central as a CBF consultant in 1997, a turbulent time in her history. She was between pastors and trying to find her way. Jim provided an in-depth study and wrote a comprehensive report that has been read by every pastor since. In 1998 Indigo Lakes Baptist called him as pastor, a position he held for seven years. During that time he started teaching adjunct at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, moving in 2005 to a fulltime position teaching comparative religions, ethics, and public speaking. The most rewarding part of teaching? "Helping students have their aha moments."

Writing has always been important to Jim. Born with a mild case of cerebral palsy causing a lifelong limp, he attended a school for the handicapped during his first school years. This is when he wrote his first book and was rewarded by having it displayed on the bulletin board. In recent years he has published three children's books written in rhyme as well as a book of poetry. He is currently working on a scholarly book.

In Jim's late teens, when his family was attending a Presbyterian church, he had a personal conversion to Christ, giving his life over to God. Later he moved to a Baptist church, thankful because they helped him understand what had happened to him and how his life was changed. Asked what part prayer plays in his life, Jim said, "It's a constant wall to lean on, an everyday occurrence." In humble reality he adds, "I only wish prayer and Bible study played a bigger part in my life."

Central is indeed fortunate to have a Deacon Chair who, in all humbleness, is willing to challenge her forward – with love.

JIM SHOOPMAN and Susan have been married 20 years. They have two daughters and two grandsons from Susan's first marriage.

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Diana Allen and Joan Williams lead this artistic group of "crafters." Each 2nd Saturday, at 10 a.m., (Room 3, Adams Hall) anyone is welcome to participate. This month they made these beautiful "Florida Scarves." Small fee to cover materials cost only.

Servant Leadership

Ministers.	All Members
Senior Pastor.	Rev. Sonny Gallman
Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship/Outreach . . .	Rev. Linda Pigott
Youth Leader.	Matt Layton
Music Leader.	Laurie Moran
Organist.	Penny Redfearn
Pianist.	Meg Pokorny
Office Manager	Gwen Bills
Custodian.	Steve Lauxman

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