

We Are



Central Baptist Herald

November 2019

*Central Unconditionally Welcomes
and Affirms All People to the
Journey of Faith in Jesus Christ.*

Looking to Central's Future

More than 80 of Central's worshipers were able to meet with Charity Roberson during the last week of September. Charity was listening to what each participant thought were their favorite chapters in Central's history that they remembered as a draw to the church, what were their dreams for the church moving forward, and what are the challenges the church faces.

As we go to press, Charity is compiling all that she has learned and will be able to share:

1. The themes she heard most often in all of the small groups
2. What overall challenges the church faces now and in the future
3. What the churchgoers feel should be the type of staff members and their responsibilities
4. Her sense of what the church needs are moving forward

On October 29, staff and church leaders met with Charity in a phone conference to hear her conversation about Central and ask question. There is also a report available to anyone who requests it by calling the church office.



Please Bring "Change for Change" October 6 - November 24

We have begun receiving "Change for Change." Thank you for your support in this mission project.

Having said that, we still need more help in sharing with Hope Lutheran, All Saints Lutheran, Grace Lutheran, Trinity Lutheran, and Ormond Presbyterian to create bags with turkeys and all that go into a Christmas Dinner for 100 families who otherwise would not be able to have this special meal. Last year we were able to contribute over \$900 and hope to donate additional funds this year. We can accept coins, bills in an envelope market Turkey and checks to the Jerry Doliner Food Bank (for holiday meals).

For our part, at Central, we also wish to donate 100 boxes of stuffing towards the meals. Again, we are very grateful for your encouragement and help with this mission project.
Darla Petty, Mission Team Leader

Are you reading the newsletter? Call 386-255-2588 or email us gwen@centralbc.org. Please let us know!

Thank You, Central For Your Kind Patience with The Walk to Emmaus

This year Central hosted the Walk to Emmaus, an experience of Christian spiritual renewal and formation that begins with a three-day short course in Christianity. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as God's grace and love is revealed to you through other believers.

Ten men and twenty women along with session leaders, and ministers stayed at Central during their retreat. To do that all of the Sunday School rooms, Lifetree Café, and Adams Hall were transformed to accommodate the places where folks slept, listened to Christian speakers, held prayer chapels, and ate meals for two weekends. This meant the Sunday School classes either met elsewhere in the church or even cancelled their classes.

Because of your generosity, there were lives both from our church and others that were forever brought closer to the love of Christ. Thank you!

We'd like to start a list of people who are interested in going on the Walk next year. We cannot guarantee a spot in the next Walk, but please let Gwen know you'd like to go.

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Sonny's Sayings

November is an interesting month for Christian in America. This is a month for gratitude. Thanksgiving Day in the United States happens at the end of November, and is intended for us to give thanks to God for all of our provisions. It is traditionally a month of harvest, and a celebration that God has given the sun, the rain, and the labor to harvest good crops. In our time, it is an opportunity to give thanks for food, but also for family, for faith, for community, and for friends. And so, many churches will have at least one Sunday per year where they celebrate Thanksgiving, but others extend the entire month of November for giving thanks.

But in November, the church also celebrates the last Sunday of the Christian year before we start all over again with Advent. This last Sunday is traditionally called Christ the King Sunday, or in more modern terms, Reign of Christ Sunday. It is a day for us to remember all of the stories that we have heard about Jesus over the course of the year. We remember the healing stories of Jesus, the teaching stories of Jesus, the signs that Jesus performed, and the personal encounters that the disciples had with Jesus. And then we take all of those memories, and gather them together, and we ask, "What do these stories tell us about Jesus?" Each of those memories are intended to draw us to the conclusion, like the Roman Centurion and others who witnessed the crucifixion and resurrection concluded, that Jesus is surely the Son of God. On Christ the King Sunday, we confess together (even with all of our doubts and questions) that Jesus is King, and that he reigns over all creation, now and forever.

What makes it even more interesting, is that often Thanksgiving Sunday (before Thanksgiving) and Reign of Christ Sunday are the same day on the calendar. That is not the case this year, but often it is. So which do we celebrate? Thanksgiving has great hymns, like "Come Ye Thankful People Come" and "Count Your Blessings." But Reign of Christ Sunday has great hymns too, like "O Worship The King" and "Crown Him with Many Crowns." And the message that each Sunday contains is powerful and needed.

Perhaps the best thing for us, is to recognize that we can be grateful because Jesus Reigns. Because Jesus is at the right hand of God, and also present with us, we can be grateful for all of our blessings, and that when life is not so much of a blessing, God is still with us. And likewise, we become more grateful when Jesus' reign takes center stage in our lives, and life becomes less about whether there is rain or sunshine, and more about God's presence in the midst of it all.

I hope that your November is full of gratitude for what God is doing in your life, and full of humility in light of God's reign.

Blessings, Sonny.

Praising God!

Year-to-Date (10/20/19)

Avg. Worship Attendance:

Total Receipts: \$368,110.00

Total Spending: \$556,897.76*,**

*Includes \$114,338.46 paid from hurricane insurance

**Includes \$71,531.00 paid for air conditioning repairs

Special Gifts this Month

In Loving Memory of:

Harold Holmes

From: Mae Holmes

Trevor & Jennifer Leonardi

For MOPS & General Fund Expenses

From: Kevin & Kimberly Leonardi

In Honor of:

Burniece Miranda's Birthday

From: Randy Miranda

William Clifford Hartley

From: Mae Homes

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. You may also contribute at www.centralbc.org.





Many Volunteers Transformed the Play Ground

Mothers of Preschoolers now have a safe and clean place for their children to play thanks to many volunteers. They work diligently, first purchasing and installing some new items, then repairing and painting others that were still usable but needed some new parts and paint. The grounds were carefully cleared and cleaned. Then new mulch was added.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who made this project possible and to those whose donations to MOPS funded the work.



Seabreeze Vocal Chorus Performed in Adams Hall

Seasons of Love Spaghetti Dinner Show was performed October 5 in Adams Hall. It was a special fundraiser to help students cover expenses for their trip to Carnegie Hall in the Spring of 2020. Proudly for Central, Isabel Gallman was part of the group of students serving the meal and singing here. Sonny cooked the spaghetti dinner for the crowd of folks attending.



This Court of Honor the Scouts earned Ranks, Merit Badges, Cyber Chips, World Conservation, Eagle Palms, and pins for having over 100 nights of camping.

Congratulations and "Way to Go, Troop 65!!!"



Shine!

School age children enjoy *Shine!* during worship the last Sunday of every month as well as Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. It's a fun time of creativity and learning about Jesus. All children who are in kindergarten to grade 5 are welcome at *Shine!*

Regular Sunday Schedule:
 9:15 a.m. Faith Discussion Grp.
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
 9:30 a.m. LifeTree Café
 10:45 a.m. Worship w/ Preschool
 Nursery Provided
 "Change for Change" &
 Turkey Stuffing Needed

Regular Tuesday Schedule:
 10:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
 1:00 p.m. Women's Christian
 Book Club
 2:30 p.m. Beginning Bridge

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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Lifetree Café: Sundays 9:30 a.m., Marchman Bldg., Rm. 115 11/3 Has God Left the Building? 11/10 Practical Help for getting a better night's sleep 11/17 Make a Difference Now 11/24 A Day in the Life of the Hidden Homeless</p>		<p>October Dinner Menu: 11/6 Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Veggies 11/13 "Cornflake" Baked Chicken, Yellow Rice, Veggies 11/20 Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans 11/24 Central's Thanksgiving Dinner. Please bring a side dish or Dessert to share</p>			<p>1 Birthday: Denver Cobb</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3 Daylight Savings Ends 1:00 p.m. Cantata Practice</p>	<p>4 Birthdays: Larry Adams Carol Rutter Joyce Wolf 6:00 p.m. Deacons' Mtg.</p>	<p>5 Birthdays: Ingrid Weeks Mary Beth Wise</p>	<p>6 Birthdays: Jo Ann Anderson Dianne Booher Rhannon Bunn Aline McDaniel</p>	<p>7 Birthdays: Margaret Fulkerson Mallee Jee</p>	<p>8 Birthday: Patsy Hill</p>	<p>9 Birthdays: Helen C. Broughman Doug Harrell Elijah Martino Joan Schrysen 10:00 a.m. Craft Class</p>
<p>10 Birthdays: Gwen Bills Jennifer Goodwin Mae Holmes Annual Church Conference</p>	<p>11 Veterans Day 5:00 p.m. Bldg. & Grounds Mtg.</p>	<p>12 Birthdays: Norma Wolf Janet Wolf</p>	<p>13 Birthdays: Ami Martino Robert Matthews</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Birthdays: Isabella Adinolfi Bill Betha Evelyn Chutjian Riley Wise</p>	<p>16 6:00 p.m. Emmaus A. H. 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary</p>
<p>17 Birthday: Eileen Lippert 1:00 p.m. Cantata Practice</p>	<p>18 Birthdays: Mike O'Sullivan Kai Smith 5:30 p.m. Church Council Mtg.</p>	<p>19 Birthdays: Gary Broughman Betty Wingard</p>	<p>20 Birthday: Preston Bentley</p>	<p>21 Birthdays: Michelle Davis Barbara Giles</p>	<p>22 Birthday: Larry Donaldson</p>	<p>23 Birthday: Art Schrysen</p>
<p>24 Birthdays: Matt Nelson Millie Weibert 12:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner 2:00 p.m. Cantata Practice</p>	<p>25 Birthday: Bill Wallis 1:00 p.m. Decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas 5:00 p.m. Trustees Mtg.</p>	<p>26 9:00 a.m. Decorate Adams Hall for Christmas</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 Birthday: Travis Richardson Thanksgiving Holiday Office Closed No Primetimers this month</p>	<p>29 Thanksgiving Holiday Office Closed</p>	<p>30</p>

Annual Church Conference November 10 Communication Meeting November 3

Both meetings will take place in the church sanctuary following worship. These important meetings are the culminations of hard work done by our church leaders to create reports and our proposed budget for 2020. The stewardship committee and the trustees, working with the church council, the pastor and the treasurer will share financial challenges faced during the 2019, how they were met, and what is proposed in the budget for the next year.

Additionally on November 3, the work of our nominating committee will be shared in the form of proposed church officers, committees and team leaders to be voted on at the annual meeting on November 10. Those who have agreed to become deacons if church members vote for them will be presented at this informational meeting as well.

While all of this information is vital as we move forward, keeping the meetings as short as possible is a priority. We urge each member to set aside time to be present for these two important events. All of the folks who work so diligently are counting on your input as we move on to 2020. We are so very grateful for their work.



Air Conditioning Upgrades Are Nearing Completion

In late September, the air conditioning machine, known to us as the "chiller" which had worked faithfully for many more years than expected, suddenly stopped functioning. This machine was responsible for air conditioning in Adams Hall and the Marchman social hall. While we have had small air conditioners working in the Marchman building for a few years, they too were beginning to lose power.

As of now Adams Hall both downstairs and upstairs has been upgraded and are working well. By the time you read this newsletter, the Marchman building will have air conditioning units installed and working.



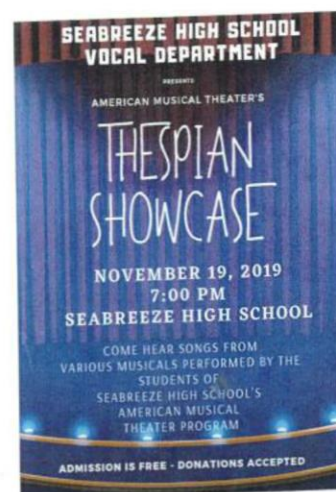
Seabreeze High School

The vocal Department will share American Musical Theater's "Thespian Showcase" Nov. 19, 7:00 p.m. Admission is free. Our own special choral volunteer, Isabel Gallman appears in this

The Humans

This is the latest play that Gary Broughman is producing and again he's made it possible for Central folks to get discounted tickets (\$14).

A comedy drama about 3 generations gathered for Thanksgiving. 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14, 15, 16, 2:00 p.m. Nov. 16, 17. Call Gary (386-390-9295) for more information.



November is CHRISTIVAL at Central

As we go to press we are still in the process of firming up our schedule for music and arts in worship at Central during the month. In previous years there has been a harpist, a potter, an artist, a soloist and many more special additions to worship. Christival is enlightening and uplifting at Central. We hope you will make a special effort to join us in worship this month.

Thanksgiving Dinner at Central November 24

The church will provide the dinner meats and beverages. Please bring a dish to share. We will meet in Adams Hall following worship. There will not be a family dinner on November 27. The church office will be closed November 28 and 29.



Christmas Decorating Needs Lots of Helping Hands

Part of getting into the spirit of Christmas is the fun of gathering both in the church sanctuary and in Adams Hall to decorate for Christmas. This year we have set November 25 at 1:00 p.m. to begin in the Sanctuary and the following day at 9:00 a.m. to begin decorating in Adams Hall.



Central's Servants: Laurie Moran
FILLED WITH JOY, LED BY THE
HOLY SPIRIT
 by Joan Singley Schrysen



Laurie Moran radiates joy when she speaks of leading music at Central -- joy of working with talented and dedicated people and the challenge of preparing both contemporary and traditional music for our blended service while trying to reinforce Sonny's message for the day.

Several God-moments directed Laurie's path to Central. In her twenties, for many years, she had a rock and roll band, Lady Fire that toured the country, even appearing in a Mel Brooks movie. The theft of all her equipment forced Laurie to return home to rural New York. Unable to perform, she was free to attend an eight-day contemplative retreat called Mission sponsored by the Catholic church where her uncle/godfather was priest. It was a powerful experience that changed her life.

Eventually Laurie moved to Daytona. A chance encounter while she was performing at Barnes and Noble (truly a God moment) led her to develop "Heal the Child" a program designed to raise awareness of child abuse prevention. Laurie presented it in many venues and had been doing workshops at a facility in DeLand for a year. Suddenly they announced their closing the following week. That very afternoon (surely another God-moment) Gary Broughman, an acquaintance from years earlier, sent her an email about the vacancy at Central. Laurie had reservations about working with Baptists, but "This little God-voice kept telling me, 'You need to check this out,'" she says.

The interview was an eye-opener. "Everyone was so pleasant and treated me so nice. I said I'd do it for four months and see if it would work for me." There were interesting instructions for the music: make the traditional a bit more contemporary sounding, and the contemporary not so loud. "Finding that middle ground for me has been fun, a joyful challenge."

Christmas brings unique opportunities for joy... In New York Laurie formed Simon's Angels, a group of Christmas carolers from ten churches. They sang for hospitals, nursing homes, and retired nuns. In Daytona she started a similar group, Simon's Angels South. Twice the White House invited the two groups to perform for their mobility challenged tours.

Last Christmas Laurie recruited singers from many churches to augment Central's choir for their Community Christmas Celebration. This year she plans to perform the cantata at several nursing homes as well.

Laurie, our joyful, God-led Music Leader, sends an important message to our readers: our intentionally blended service is a *treasure*. We need to appreciate and publicize our intergenerational worship with both traditional and contemporary elements."

LAURIE MORAN is one of eight children. She currently is caring for her 93-year-old mother as well as teaching piano, guitar and voice. She also teaches at a Montessori school.

Servant Leadership

Ministers..... All Members
 Senior Pastor..... Rev. Sonny Gallman
 Youth Leader..... Matthew Layton
 Music Leader..... Laurie Moran
 Organist..... Penny Redfearn
 Pianist..... Meg Pokorny
 Office Manager..... Gwen Bills
 Custodian..... Steve Lauxman

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December 4th - 7:30 p.m.
DSC Gift to the Community - Holiday Showcase
Free tickets will be available November 11
While They Last

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**December 5th**  
**The Holy Land Experience - join us for a special**  
**Prime Timers Biblical church journey (bus cost \$69)**  
**Call Tommie Lou Hitson 386-767-0123**

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December 12 at 10 a.m.
Prime Timers Christmas Party, always a favorite featuring the retired
educator follies group, The Shenanigans. Be sure to sign up for this
special Christmas time event.

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