

Central Baptist Herald October 2019

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

Central Churchgoers Met With Charity Roberson, Church Health Consultant

Between Thursday, Sept. 26 and Sunday, Sept. 29 over 80 folks from Central met in small groups with Charity, answering questions about what was liked about Central, what they would like Central to do in the future, and what they thought were the churches challenges.

Charity will discern from this input what the future staffing needs to be, in what direction the church should be going and how to move toward that future.

"Change for Change" October 6 - November 24

Again this year Central Baptist is team-

ing up with 5 other churches, Hope

Lutheran, All Saints Lutheran, Grace Lutheran, Trinity Lutheran, and Ormond Presbyterian to put together bags with turkeys and all the trimmings for 100 Christmas dinners. These dinners will be distributed to 100 families who otherwise would be unable to have a Christmas feast. Toward the purchase of turkeys, we will be collecting coins from the Sunday offering plates ("Change for Change") from October 6 through November 24th, 2019. You can also give by putting cash in an envelope and marking it for turkeys, or you may write a check directly to the Jerry Doliner Food Bank (for holiday meals). You may drop these gifts in the offering plate or you may give them directly to me. We collected a little over \$900.00. last year. I hope we can come close to that again this year.

We are also collecting 100 boxes of stuffing to be included in the dinners. Collection bins for this are in the church foyers. Thank you for your participation in 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!



Steve Lauxman - 35 Years Serving Central

Central honored Steve Lauxman for 35 years of service on Sunday September 22nd with special presentations in the worship service and a luncheon with "Steve Stories." While Steve's official capacity is to care for Central's buildings he cares for its people as well. On a given Sundays you may have seen him dealing with lighting, sound, unlocking doors, or setting up for events, but you may also see him teaching Sunday School, and on Wednesdays, cooking Family Dinner or helping someone in need.

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Sonny's Sayings

Fanny Crosby, Charles Wesley, and Isaac Watts are 3 names that you should get to know, if you don't already. These three people were epic hymn composers. They wrote some of the great hymns that we sing on Sunday mornings. When you look at the hymnal, you see at the bottom of each hymn, who wrote the lyrics, and who wrote the music that make up the hymn. Well the three I mentioned above have their names mentioned more than just about anyone else. Most of their hymns are very recognizable, and we would consider them part of our church's playlist.

But as beloved as they are now, and especially as beloved as they were 30 or 40 or 50 years ago, much of their music was complained about at the time it was written. Their music was "new" music. Much of it was dismissed as too light, or too "melodic" for serious worship. For example, Watts wrote "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "O God our Help in Ages Past," and "Joy to the World." Yet in his day, when most churches sang hymns straight from the Psalms, he was horribly criticized. One American pastor, Adam Rankin, in 1789 said this to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in Philadelphia: "I have ridden horseback all the way from my home in Kentucky to ask this body to refuse the great and pernicious error of accepting the use of Isaac Watts' hymns in worship in preference to the Psalms of David." Even though Watts was raised in the church, and had received a rigorous theological training, his work in hymnity was dismissed as "fanciful and fleeting."

When I ponder this response to his hymns, and to the hymns of Fanny Crosby and Charles Wesley (the brother of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist church), it makes me realize that all through church history, new music has always been a part of the church. After all, we are commanded in scripture to "sing a new song (Psalm 96)." That doesn't mean that all new music should be sung in church. So how do we make the distinction of which new music should be sung in our church, and which should not. These criteria are subjective, I know, but when I hear new music, or even old hymns, I ask myself if what I'm hearing sounds like an authentic, faithful response to what God has done, or not done (in a song of lament), in the music writer's life, and if it resonates with our congregation's journey. If it does, then I believe we should sing it, when appropriate.

However, if it has the sound of a song written to be "performed" or to sound "neat" or "cool," then it is not for us.

Those early critics of Watts, Crosby and Wesley, somehow believed that congregational music was somehow a "finished" playlist, and God's work in us, and our response to that work, is never done.

I hope you have a great month of October. Lots going on this month, so I hope to see you around. You are each important to us!

Blessings, Sonny

Praising God!

Year-to-Date (9/22/19)

Avg. Worship Attendance: 93 Total Receipts: \$\$41,513.36 Total Spending: \$402,074.84*

*Includes \$76,266.66 paid from hurricane insurance

Special Gifts this Month

In Loving Memory of:

Trevor & Jennifer Leonardi

From: Kevin & Kimberly Leonardi

Jim Cummins

From: Helen Cummins Broughman

Tina Free Zalich

From: Jan Collins-Free

Tia Nigh For Youth

From: Wayne & Ann Bishop

Tony Rutter

From: Dan & Carol Rutter

In Honor of:

My Hurricane Volunteers

From: Mae Holmes

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.



The dinner and performance is a special fundraiser to help the students fund expenses for their trip to Carnegie Hall in the Spring of 2020. Cost is a suggested donation of \$5 per person. The door opens at 6:00 p.m. The show begins at 6:30 p.m.

Please RSVP online with the Link below or call the church office and your reservation will be placed with the group. Link: https://forms.gle/FpiyjDPMm9EKLXFK8



Central 's
Trunk "R Treat
October 27
4:30 to 6 PM
FREE!
Come Join in
the
Fun!
Lots of Trunks
Full of Treats,
Crafts, Games,
& Halloween
Costume
Parade

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Renews Central's Playground

Thank you to all the many volunteers who helped MOPS purchase and bring the new playground toys to Central. Clean up work on the playground was completed Friday. A large group of folks, along with a crew from Ben Mott, LLC, descended on the playground on September 21 to install some toys and refurbish others. New mulch will be put down soon. Also thanks to Ornamental Welding of Holly Hill and Daytona Nut & Bolt for parts donated to help with the process. The children began enjoying this outdoors area on Monday, September 23. (Photos Below)













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 Regular Thursday Schedule: 2:30 p.m. GriefShare

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Lifetree Café: Sund Marchman Bl 10/6 I Lived in a D 1013 Surviving the 10/20 Loving Those 10/27 Zombies! Wha	dg., Rm. 115	1 Birthday: Lynn Albovias	2 Birthday: Glenn Sheffield	3 Birthday: Pat Gosney	4Birthdays: Daniel Pigott Genevieve Schwarz	5 Birthday Rhett Swallows 4:00 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner & Performance Sea Breeze Vocal Group (Isabel Gallman, Member) \$5 Donations Requested
6"Change for Change" Begins 1:00 p.m. Cantata Practice	7 Birthday Susan Regan 6:00 p.m. Deacons' Mtg.	8 Birthdays: Toni Dobbins Ronald Walton	9 Birthday: Julie Matthews	10Birthdays: Morgan Jee Matthew Langley	11	12 Birthday: Steve Lauxman 10:00 a.m. Craft Class Adams Hall
13Birthday: Nate Davis 1:00 p.m. Cantata Practice 3:30 p.m. Bel Canto Singers at Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church	14 5:00 p.m. Bldg. & Grounds	15 7:30 a.m. Prime Timers to Cumberland Island, GA Meet at Daytona Walmart Garden Center	16 Birthdays: Dennis Iglay Camille Plakon	17 Emmaus Men's Walk At Central	18 Birthdays: Patty O'Sullivan Ed Walton Nancy Byrd Emmaus Men's Walk At Central	19 Emmaus Men's Walk At Central
20 Emmaus Men's Walk At Central	21 Birthdays: Charlotte Frye Theresa Goris Mae Johnson 5:30 p.m. Church Council	22	23Birthdays: Shirley Browder Jessica Matthews Gail White	24 Emmaus Women's Walk At Central	25 Birthday: Jonathan Pigott Philip Ransbottom Emmaus Women's Walk At Central	26 Birthday: Michelle Gunter Emmaus Women's Walk At Central
27 All Saints Remembrance Emmaus Women's Walk At Central 2:00-3:30 p.m. Trunk 'R Treat	28 5:00 p.m. Trustees	29 Birthdays: Nicholas Nesbit Mary Ellen Schmitt	30 Birthday: Cade Gallman	31Birthday: Nancy Bransom	October Dinner Menu: 10/2 Hot Dogs, Hamburge 10/9 Meat Loaf Mashed P 10/16 Fried Chicken, Mash 10/23 Baked Ziti, Mixed Ve 10/30 Ham, Mashed Potatc All meals include salad, ro unless otherwise stated	otatoes, Mixed Veggies ed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies ggies



Living Waters Members Meet Educators' Needs

Front Row: Left to Right: Susan Joy, Toni Jordan, Debbie Keith, Mamie Oatis Back Row: Peromnia Grant, Sue Fitton, Joan Schrysen, Connie Pryce, Carolyn Burhans

In 1994 inspired by an organization of Christian physicians, Joan Schrysen gathered a similar group of Christian educators, a testimony to the Christian presence in the public schools. Ultimately this group became known as Living Waters.

Since its inception, Living Waters has evolved to meet the needs of educators. They meet monthly for a Time of Prayer for schools and those with special prayer needs and letters are sent to those for whom they pray. Each member continues these prayers throughout the month. A quarterly newsletter has been added to inspire, encourage and support Christian education. The newsletter is called *Waves* and is informative, yet small enough to read in one sitting in consideration of the time teachers have. Currently it reaches approximately 750 recipients, with efforts progressing on electronic delivery. Central is blessed that Living Waters calls us their home. (Many thanks to Carolyn Burnhans for the use of excerpts from her article in *Waves*, on February 19, 2019 making this article possible).



New Bathrooms in Adams Hall

Deacon Nominations Begin

Nominations for Deacons to serve the 2020-2022 term will be received beginning Sunday, October 6. Deadline for nominations will be at noon on October 20. Names of those nominated will be published in the Worship bulletin on October 27. Election of Deacons will take place at the Annual Church Conference, Sunday, November 10. Six Deacons will be elected this year.

Deacons rotating off are Mike O'Sullivan, Marty Petty, and Priscilla Warner. Deacons who have served before may be nominated following one year of their most recent service. Ordination Service is scheduled for November 17 in worship.

Biblical qualifications for Deacons are found in Acts 6 and 1 Timothy 3. Additional Scriptures regarding their servant role can be found in Mark 10, John 13, Luke 14 and Philippians 2.

Please contact your nominee in advance to determine that they understand the qualifications of Deacons, and to obtain their willingness to serve if elected. Deacons must be at least 21 years old and have been a member of Central for at least the previous one year.

Deacon Nomination forms are available in the church foyers.



Craft Class

This month the class made washcloth art. Some were lovely dolls.

Bel Canto Singers Call Central Their Home

We are so fortunate to have the Bel Canto Singers at Central. Most Monday nights from 6-9:00 p.m. this awesome group of singers meets in the Sanctuary to hold auditions (every singer must audition every year) and practice. The classical music that they sing is always uplifting and beautiful. This first concert includes members of Bel Chantique Soprano and Alto Choir from Spruce Creek. All of whom auditioned for their places in that group. Bel Canto Singers will perform Jubilate Deo October 13, 3:30 p.m. at Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 105 Amsden Rd., Ormond Beach. Tickets are \$15. Buy tickets at the door or online at www.BelCantoDaytona.org



Central's Servants: STEVE LAUXMAN

35 Years of Sharing by Joan Singley Schrysen



You may find Steve Lauxman vacuuming the sanctuary or emptying the trash or mowing the grass or washing dishes after a Wednesday night supper. You may even see him teaching Sunday school on a Sunday morning. He says, "These are all service projects and I enjoy helping." Though his title is Custodian, his service goes far beyond that. He's also been known to hang doors, install handrails, and do other projects in friends' homes.

All this is because Steve is a people person extraordinaire. When asked the most rewarding aspect of his job, he instantly replied, "Oh, the people! The congregation! They've become personal friends of mine. A lot of times I do side jobs for them, some of them for fifteen years or more."

Steve and his older sister Gina were adopted when Steve was quite young. They grew up beachside in Ormond Beach. He fondly recalls an idyllic childhood on the beach, surfing and fishing and shrimping. In recent years he learned of seven other siblings who had been adopted and raised elsewhere.

Regretfully Steve admits he succumbed to alcoholism and addiction. He credits his employer Bob Trumbull and the late Hal Marchman for helping him find sobriety and employment here at Central. He has now been sober for many years but emphatically states that sobriety is a daily work in progress. He continues in Alcoholics Anonymous, attending meetings many nights at various locations.

Asked how his spiritual life affected his every-day life, Steve said, "Both of them are connected regularly, every day. I get up and start with a prayer or time of devotion. I have devotion books in my truck, so when I get in my truck I open my book. It's good to have it right there." Although he doesn't have a favorite Scripture, he really likes "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me." Phil. 4:13

Prayer plays a big part in Steve's life. He prays throughout the day, especially when faced with a challenging task. He prays that God will help him face the challenge and complete the task successfully.

Steve's message to our readers: "Be good to others less fortunate than you." This is not a surprising message from this dyed-in-the-wool people person, our hard-working custodian for 35 years.

STEVE AND DIANE LAUXMAN have been married for 37 years. They have two sons and one grandson.

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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October 15

Trip to Cumberland Island, Georgia
Book @www.JOINTHEFUN.US or mail a check payable to
JOIN THE FUN, 146 S. Atlantic Ave., Ormond Beach, FL 32176.
Cost \$69, includes Escorted Tour, Pick-up and Transportation,
Ferry Transfer, visit on Cumberland Island and a box lunch.
Forms to fill out and send with your check are in the church
office. Questions? Call Tommie Lou Hitson 386-767-0123 or
Stefan 386-235-3443

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