



The **LINK**
 **October** 2008

Central Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

FOOD PANTRY CALL OUT

EMERGENCY HELP NEEDED!!!

The Food Pantry has become terribly **LOW!** During this critical time, I am hearing from many that it is hard to find a job, hours have been cut back and some families are beginning to face the possibility of homelessness. While we have a small pantry, the food given from this church has helped so many in need throughout the community and abroad. I am asking each of you to prayerfully give to this ministry so that we may continue to be a blessing to those in need.

Here's an idea of what is needed:

Pop Top cans of: Soups, Can Meats, Vienna Sausages, Vegetables, Pasta products (ravioli, spaghetti, etc), Chicken & Tuna.

Other items are needed as well: Oatmeal packets, crackers, applesauce, Spaghetti sauce, Ramen noodle packets & juices.

**THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR
CONTRIBUTIONS!!**

HEATHER'S HAPPENINGS



As the saying goes, “time flies when you’re having fun!” I do not know about you, but time escapes way too quickly. I have heard people say that if there were just 2...4...(you can insert a number)...more hours in the day they would get so much more accomplished. I am not sure if that would be accurate or not, as I am sure we would just grumble and beg for even more time. Are we not like the Israelites we have been hearing about in worship these past few weeks who never seem to be satisfied and are always asking God for more? Hopefully we are not asking God to prove Godself to us like the Israelites did.

I, along with five others from this congregation, spent three days last week at our Centennial Regional Assembly in Orlando. There was Bible Studies, Worship Services, Workshops, Business Sessions and in true Disciple fashion, lots of food! It was nice to see people I do not often get to see, like other pastors from around the Region. Our General Minister and President was with us and gave an uplifting sermon. There were other inspiring speakers as well. General Assembly will be next year in Indianapolis, IN, our national headquarters. I hope that you will prayerfully consider attending this event. You can visit www.disciples.org for registration and hotel information.

Do you want the doors of Central to remain open for years to come? Help leave a legacy for the next several generations of worshipers. **Our Regional Minister, Rev. William Morrison, will be meeting with us this coming Wednesday, October 1 at 6 o'clock.** It is our hope that you will come prepared with any questions that you may have and seek his guidance as we prepare to move forward into the future. If you need a ride, please do not hesitate to call the church office and we will make sure that someone will pick you up and bring you to this important meeting.

Shalom ~ Rev. Heather Robertson

PRAYER CONCERNS

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

Burke Healthcare Center (9640 Burke Lake Rd. Burke, VA 22015):
Maggie Shane

Casa Mora Rehabilitation Center (1902 59th St. W.): John Childers

Dolphin's View (1820 Shore Dr. South, South Pasadena, FL):
Margaret Wenger

Windsor Oak (2614 43rd St. W.): Bill & Opal Hayes

Freedom Village (6410 21st Ave W., Apt # 325): Dorothy Squires

OTHER PRAYER CONCERNS:

Jack Barnes, Ann Brose, Shirlene Bunch, Kathy & Frank Callega, Faye Coomes, Hattie Coulter, Betsey Dobson (cousin of Gloria Taylor), Betty Donohue, Nellie Dotterer, Shirley Elliott, Todd Fritz (son of Betty Fritz), Cindy Gettinger, Francine Hewett (aunt of Diane Taylor), Lois Hipkind (friend of Barb Abbring), Margaret McIrvine (great aunt of Heather Robertson), Robi Manning, Dale Martin (brother-in-law of Tom Dixon), Nancy Mooney, Rick Moma (nephew of the Noland's), Joel Reeve (son-in-law of Hal & Millie Zug), Mary Reynolds (Pastor Heather's Grandma), Jeremy Robertson (brother of Pastor Heather), Marilyn Ruffing, Mary Lou Sturdevant (sister of Fred Hetherington), Wendell & Rean Thomas, Mary Tupper, Ava Whitford (granddaughter of friends of Georgia Hutchens).



FINANCIAL REPORT

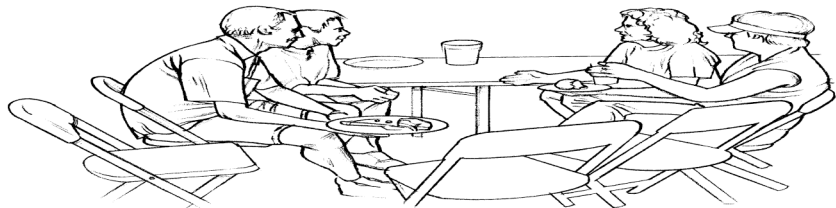
August Operating Fund

Bal. 7/31/08 \$ 1,819.08
Aug Income \$ 7,261.50
Aug Expense \$ 8,295.51
Bal 8/31/08 \$ 785.07

HOPE HAPPENS:

There are **NO** hopeless situations.
There are only men who have grown
hopeless about them.

Clare Booth Luce



Fellowship Meals

MUNCH BUNCH DELIGHTS

For the months of October-December, we will meet once a month at the church for dinner and we will meet at a local restaurant once a month. Please be advised of the October-December Munch Bunch schedule.

October 13 ~ Dinner and a Movie at the church @ 6 pm

October 27 ~ Ruby Tuesday's in Ellenton @ 5 pm

November 10 ~ Thanksgiving Dinner and Fellowship at the church @ 6 pm

Two individuals have offered to provide the turkeys. THANK YOU! The rest of us will bring our favorite side dishes to share with all.

November 24 ~ Oyster Bar on Cortez @ 5

December 8 ~ Christmas Party at the church @ 6 pm

Please bring finger foods to share with all.

December 22 ~ NO Munch Bunch



Operation Christmas Child is a ministry that we hope you have considered taking a part in. The time is drawing near to submit these thoughtful gifts of love. We are asking that you bring your completed shoebox with you to church on any Sunday and place it at the altar. On **Sundy, November 16th** we will bless the boxes during our worship service and then they will be taken to a drop-off location. If you have any questions, please speak to Georgia Hutchens or Pastor Heather.

 **BIRTHDAYS**
A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

**&
ANNIVERSARIES**

OCTOBER Birthdays



**OCTOBER
BIRTHDAYS**

10-1 Heather Robertson
10-4 Jamie McPherson
10-9 Leonard LeVan
10-11 Barb Abbring
10-12 Shirley Schwartz
10-13 Bill Hayes
10-27 Ann Dotterer

**NOVEMBER
BIRTHDAYS**

11-15 Dillon Jepsen
11-20 Gil Anderson
11-21 June Boltz
11-27 Nellie Dotterer

**NO NOVEMBER
ANNIVERSARIES**



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

NO OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES



*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please call the church office so we can update our records. Thank you.



sunday, October 5th

The next Potluck Dinner will be held Sunday, October 5th following our 10 am worship service. As with tradition, this is a special time in the life of our church where we come together with our church family and friends and fellowship with one another while enjoying great food prepared by some wonderful people of our congregation. As always EVERYONE is encouraged to bring one covered dish per person to share. You are also encouraged to INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS to share in the festivities. See you there!



BOARD MEETING * OCTOBER 11TH

OUR NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD **OCTOBER 11, 2008**

BEGINNING WITH COFFEE & DONUTS @ 9:00 A.M. BOARD MEETING @ 9:30 A.M.



Sunday, October 19 is Sack Lunch Ministry. Unfortunately I will be out of town on this Sunday. I will be attending the 20th annual National Conference for Family Promise. Just because I am out of town does not mean that this ministry should come to a halt. It is my prayer that at least one of you will step forward and agree to deliver lunches to those who are hungry in our area. It takes only about an hour, often even less time than that. Please call the church office and let me know if you would be willing to deliver sack lunches on October 19.

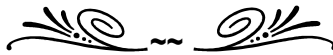
Serving Schedule

Oct 5th Diaconate: Mary Lou Hetherington, Betty McKimmy. Alt. Sue Fitzgerald. **Elders:** Tom Dixon, Fred Hetherington. Alt. Clyde Boltz. **Greeters/Ushers:** Marian McClain.
Worship Leader: Jim Hutchens

Oct 12th Diaconate: Shelly Brown, Lesa Canterbury. Alt. Marian McClain. **Elders:** Clyde Boltz, LaVerne Forshey. Alt. Georgia Hutchens. **Greeters/Ushers:** June Boltz.
Worship Leader: Jenny Dixon

Oct 19th Diaconate: June Boltz, Sue Fitzgerald. Alt. Betty McKimmy. **Elders:** Anita Haisch, Tom Abbring. Alt. Barb Abbring. **Greeters/Ushers:** Mary Lou Hetherington
Worship Leader: LaVerne Forshey

Oct 26th Diaconate: Marian McClain, Mary Lou Hetherington. Alt. Shelly Brown. **Elders:** Jim & Georgia Hutchens. Alt. LaVerne Forshey. **Greeters/Ushers:** Lesa Canterbury.
Worship Leader: Barb Abbring



Nov 2nd Diaconate: June Boltz, Lesa Canterbury. Alt. Marian McClain. **Elders:** Clyde Boltz, Tom Dixon. Alt. Tom Abbring. **Greeters/Ushers:** Joanne Body.
Worship Leader: Georgia Hutchens

Nov 9th Diaconate: Tom & Arlie Dowell. Alt. Jenny Dixon. **Elders:** LaVerne Forshey, Jim Hutchens. Alt. Georgia Hutchens. **Greeters/Ushers:** Marian McClain.
Worship Leader: Clyde Boltz

Nov 16th Diaconate: Shelly Brown, Mary Lou Hetherington. Alt. Sue Fitzgerald. **Elders:** Tom & Barb Abbring, Alt. Fred Hetherington. **Greeters/Ushers:** June Boltz.
Worship Leader: Anita Haisch

Nov 23rd Diaconate: Paul & Frances Smith. Alt. June Boltz. **Elders:** Clyde Boltz, Tom Dixon. Alt. LaVerne Forshey. **Greeters/Ushers:** Arlie Dowell.
Worship Leader: Sue Fitzgerald

Nov 30th Diaconate: Sue Fitzgerald, Joanne Taylor. Alt. Betty McKimmy. **Elders:** Anita Haisch, Fred Hetherington. Alt. Clyde Boltz. **Greeters/Ushers:** Mary Lou Hetherington.
Worship Leader: June Boltz

THANK YOU FOR SERVING. If you are unable to serve please call your ALTERNATE. Any further questions please call: Jenny Dixon (Chair of Deacons), Barb Abbring (Chair of Elders) or Deidre at the church office 748.3130.

NOTE TO THE DIACONATE: With another church using our Sanctuary, after you have taken up the used communion cups and taken the signed Ritual of Friendships Sheet out of the folder, please remove the Hymnals and Bibles on the front row and place on the piano. Take the Ritual of Friendship Books and place on the table at the back of the Sanctuary. The other church will place all of these back when finished in the Sanctuary.