



Central Christian Church



**(Disciples of Christ)
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**Visit our Website at: <http://www.centralchristiandoc.org/>
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Our Mutual Ministry Campaign is the first step to raising funds to support our Recovery Central Ministry. This new ministry will continue to provide support groups for people in recovery, help provide training and new leaders in the recovery efforts of our community, and provide information, support and direct assistance to families in recovery.

Using some of our reserve funds, the church will match every dollar you contribute on a 5 to 1 basis. So your \$50 contribution is matched with \$250 and becomes \$300.

That's not all!! Our congregation's funds will then be matched by a Mutual Ministry Grant on a 1 for 1 basis. So your \$50 eventually becomes \$600; your \$200 becomes \$2400; your \$500 becomes \$6000. (It's 12 to 1)

Our goal is to raise \$5000 in commitments which will result in a total (contributions, matches and grant) of \$60,000 to complete our goals for Recovery Central.

You will find commitment forms on the table in the narthex in church. Or you can call the church office and we will mail one to you! We hope to have all commitment forms in by August 18 - and all contributions complete by April 30. Thank you for considering how YOU can help reach our goal !!

Email us at:

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VISIT OUR WEB SITE

<http://www.centralchristiandoc.org>
Please check our updated WEB page.

*For Reverend Dunn's messages click
YouTube link.*

AUGUST Calendar of Events

CWF MEETING
Tuesday August 6th @7:00pm

CHURCH WORK DAY
Saturday August 17th @8am

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP
9:30am Worship Service

Youth Sunday School
following Offering

10:30am Adult Sunday
School

5:00pm Bible Study



BARBEE BLESSING CHECK PRESENTATION MAY 30TH, 2019

At Broadway Christian Church. Check is for \$1,000.

Left to right; Debbie Breeden, Barbara Smith, Rev. John Dunn, Bob Smith, Larry Lagle



Among the things we notice about the early church from the book of Acts are the following:

- 1) The emerging faith movement was driving leadership out of comfortable hiding places and out in the open.
- 2) The recent revelations of God seen in Jesus Christ were re-defining old interpretations. A new vision brought new perspectives on the past and present.
- 3) The emerging church did focus on gathering, praying, exploring spiritual understanding, and worshiping.
- 4) This new church immediately began to tend to the physical needs of people as well as the spiritual.

In similar fashion, our emerging mutual ministry - Recovery Central - is doing the same for us.

- 1) It's one thing to say that we wish there were better services for people in recovery. But there is some risk in saying that more time and attention needs to be shown to addicts and their families. This is especially true when the compulsive activity involved leads to lawbreaking and arrest. Many people in our communities still resist doing anything to help "criminals". Others complain about spending time and money on such "irresponsible" people. Still others insist that it's a waste of resources because of high rates of re-offending.

Recovery Central is calling us and requires us to actually stand up and say we are committed to help those who need us even if it is a risky investment of our love and money. More than that, it requires us to commit our hearts and resources to the effort.

- 2) "Old-time religion" seemed to identify sin and sinners. This new spiritual movement invites us to identify who needs our help - what we have to offer - and how we can make a difference. This new vision for a faith movement is not looking for reasons to exclude anyone and certainly does not suggest that "we" are more holy or worthy than "they".

- 3) Worship remains the core of our identity. But Worship includes all that we do in gratitude and celebration of God's grace among us.

- 4) As Recovery Central emerges, it will offer spiritual support but also recognizes the physical and financial challenges of recovery. So we will find responsible ways to offer a "hand-up" to those who have fallen rather than a simple "hand-out". We will provide financial support but hand outs are simple. Working with people and community organizations to help people build a solid future is more demanding. But that is what we hope to do.

John

Searching for Addiction Recovery Resources

A GOOGLE search for: “Addiction Recovery Indiana” provides the usual 9,000,000 + result list. A recent search found the State of Indiana’s “Next Level Recovery Indiana” (21st from the top) and its website: <https://www.in.gov/recovery/> The home page includes four options:

(1) Prevention; (2) Treatment; (3) Enforcement; (4) Healthcare Professionals/1st responders. A click on

“Treatment” leads to more options, one of which is: Locate Addiction Treatment Resources in Indiana. One of the options found with this click is: “Click here to access our online portal.” Clicking that box opens up another page with four more options: Find Addiction Treatment in Indiana; Learn about Treatment Options; Know the O Facts; and For Providers (Sounding user-friendly yet?).

A click on “Find Addiction Treatment . . .” brings more options (yes another menu!): Inpatient, outpatient, residential, etc. If, for example, you select “outpatient treatment” for “adult males” (or you might choose “adolescent female,” “adolescent male,” “adult female,” etc.), you see a list (left side of the page) of agencies in Indianapolis, Avon and Plainfield (right side has a map). If the website knows your location, it will limit the list of options to your area only. Washington Indiana gets two agencies.

Of course, you can GOOGLE: “Addiction Treatment Washington Indiana,” and find many more options (errors included).

While anyone can scoff at inadequacies in Indiana bureaucracy, we can all pay better attention to people we know locally. The simple lesson in all of this is the value of real people doing real networking. Like many rural areas across our nation, we cannot help but notice the lack of infrastructure. If you are truly looking for hope with addiction in this rural community, you can expect to find the best answers locally. These would include City and County agencies, as well as people you know who have connections to addiction recovery resources. Solutions have always been found in relationships.

Daniel

Scripture Readings:

Looking for inspiration?

Week of August 4

Psalm 68:32—35
SU Acts 2:43—47
M Acts 3:1—10
TU Acts 3:11—16
W Acts 3:17—26
TH Acts 4:1—12
F Acts 4:13—22
SA Acts 4:23—31

Week of August 11

Psalm 39
SU Luke 22:1—13
M Luke 22:14—23
TU Luke 22:24—30
W Luke 22:31—38
TH Luke 22:39—46
F Luke 22:47—53
SA Luke 22:54—62

Week of August 18

Psalm 69:1-8, 30-36
SU Acts 4:32—37
M Acts 5:1—11
TU Acts 5:12—16
W Acts 5:17—42
TH Acts 6:1—7
F Acts 6:8—15
SA Acts 7:1—22

Week of August 25

Psalm 22:9—21
SU Luke 22:63—71
M Luke 23:1—12
TU Luke 23:13—25
W Luke 23:26—31
TH Luke 23:32—43
F Luke 23:44—49
SA Luke 23:50—56

Our Stewardship Answers God's Call to our Mission

2018 Budget Requirement Averages \$1306 Weekly

Tithes & Offerings

June 2 - \$1721	June 30 - \$688
June 9 - \$1827	July 7 - \$3045
June 16 - \$1131	July 14 - \$1256
June 23 - \$1128	July 21 - \$593

We celebrate every dollar as a witness
to the love and grace of God at work among us.

**We also received generous contributions in recent
weeks for special ministries like:**

**Pentecost Offering; Roots in the Ruins
children's "Milk Bottle"; Mutual Ministry Campaign**

Financial Highlights

Your generous giving continues to keep up
with our budget needs—and our spending
remains frugal and appropriate to our
situation.

Your faithful giving and God's extraordinary
grace allows us to make a positive impact on
the world. Not only can we rest assured that
normal expenses are managed well, but we can
look at opportunities to make an even bigger
impact on our world.

Thank you for that great sign of life among us!

BIRTHDAYS

1 – Dakota D Mattes
1 – Andrew T Woods
3 – De Odell
9 – Jacqueline Breeden
10 – Bill Lundy
11 – Ranita McMurtrey
13 – Vanessa Christie Kleinschmidt
15 – Holly Payton
29 – Ellen Sherar

ANNIVERSARIES

14 – Carol and Marilyn Lents

If we don't have your birthday or anniversary listed (or if its incorrect) please call or email the church office.



Scheduled to Serve in August

Elders: Alan Christie & Dan Renneker

Deacons: Jake Fox, Anthony Doscher
Elaine Osha

Communion Prep: Bob & Barbara Smith

Greeters:

August 4: Eddie Gibson & Dan Sherar

August 11: Ray & Lavone Woods & Janet D.

August 18: Terry & Stell Kiefer

August 25: Dennis & Jackie Breeden



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