



TOWER

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FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Joni and I took a three week vacation to Alaska so I feel that I have been out of the loop at church for much of August. Central United Church continued to have some special events and move forward and I am very grateful to the many people in our church who have made some of these things happen.

First I want to thank Harry Kujath. Harry filled in for me in leading the August Council meeting and handling several issues at church in my absence. Harry has always been an active leader in our church and it gives me a great amount of comfort knowing that he continues to be actively involved and someone we can all rely on for calm and logical solutions.

August is the time of year when we celebrate the beginning of a new Sunday School year. On August 19, Central UCC celebrated Rally Day to recognize and pray for our students and teachers. We should all definitely appreciate those in our church who are willing to step forward and help teach our young children.

I especially want to thank David Kohler, Amber Gonzales, and Rene Miserez. Since Rev. Scott was not available this weekend anyway, David Kohler stepped forward to lead the service for Rally Day. While I was not able to attend, I am confident David did a great job as always and I appreciate his dedication and commitment to our church and our youth.

Of course Amber and Rene were significant in coordinating the Rally Day, youth, and teacher appreciation activities. Something special with this year's Rally Day was the presentation of Bibles to some of our youth. This is something that we historically did every year but it had not been done for the last couple of years. You can imagine my pride when I came home from vacation and found my granddaughter's new Bible laying on our dining room table. This is a program that we may have taken for granted or not appreciated enough, but I for one am very grateful to those folks who took the initiative to bring it back. Thank you so much.

Rally Day was also celebrated utilizing our Sanders Farm. This is a great resource for our church and I want to take this opportunity to thank two people who are instrumental in so many things at our church, but specifically in maintaining Sanders Farm. Those two are Walt Rottmann and Carl Ernst. They both spend countless hours mowing and maintaining the Sanders Farm property, and while I know they enjoy doing the work, we are very appreciative of their efforts.

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Our congratulations go to Kirk and Danielle Stafford on the baptism of their son, Kasen Lee, on August 12.

Now that summer is nearly past, the school year has started again, vacation season is coming to a close, and our church has rejuvenated several of our traditional programs, it is time that we get serious about our Search and Call process to pursue a new

minister. We have a couple of volunteers and the council has received several nominations for the

Search and Call Committee. We will be finalizing this committee soon and will officially begin this process.

Thank you to all of our students and teachers.

Warren Witt
Council President

YOUNG YOUTH ACTIVITIES

We have started back up with our regular Wednesday church activities. If you are in K-5th grades, church is the place to be on Wednesdays after school for food and fun, faith and fellowship. Supervision starts at 3:45 and we end at 6:00. Some of the schools don't get out until 4:00, so just come when you can. We have fun with friends, we share a 20-30 minute Bible lesson or faith-building activity, and we share dinner together. If you need help with transportation, let me know and we will see what we can do to get you a ride. We want to see you there!

We've had five of our regulars move on to 6th grade this year, and I know you join me in wishing them well in middle school. That also means we'll be in rebuilding mode. We always have room for a few more so fill your car with friends and bring them along.

Rene Miserez, Young Youth Director
573-694-6022 bellsic@aol.com

MIDDLE HIGH & SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

What is your favorite hat? Bring it with you to our next get-together on **September 9**. We have started a new group for 6th-12th graders and those at the first meeting helped set our direction. We plan to have a mix of fun activities and service activities where we can put our faith into action, and we'll add in some faith-based discussion to get you thinking. Thank you to those who helped with our first service project ... serving the Salvation Army meal for the homeless and less fortunate in our community. What great words of encouragement I heard from you as you served dinner!

At our next get-together, we will start with talking about our hats. And Jesus. Are you wondering how those tie together? Well, then I guess we'll see you there ... Sunday, September 9, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the gym. We'll also share in some fun activities. Please also set aside Friday evening, September 28, for the Oktoberfest dinner and we will help where needed. Watch your mail for more details.

If you missed our first meeting, we still want to see you join us. Call Rene with questions, 694-6022.

FAITH IN ACTION

FESTIVAL OF SHARING ONE MISSION – MANY COMMUNITIES



The Festival of Sharing is trying something new this year. They will be holding **Sharefests** in 7 different locations instead of the one big event at the Missouri State Fair Grounds. Our region is the Central Region and will be held on **Saturday, September 22**, at the Tipton United Methodist Church, 204 US-50, Tipton, Missouri. At the Tipton Sharefest, people will have the opportunity to pack rice (like what was done in Sedalia), pack hygiene kits, organize CWS kits, be a part of our prayer team, or serve lunch. After the packing projects have been completed, we'll gather for lunch and worship. Kits can be dropped off on September 21, from 4:00pm—7:00pm, and September 22, from 9:30am — 11:30am. All activities start at 9:30 on the 22nd.

A slideshow of the quilts will be available at each Sharefest. The quilt auction takes place on Saturday, October 27 at Knights of Columbus in Columbia, Missouri. Previewing begins at 9:00am with lunch

following at 11:00am. The auction will begin at 12:30pm.

If anyone is interested in going to Sharefest, please contact one of the Mission and Outreach Ministry members. We can carpool to Tipton for the workday.

FESTIVAL OF SHARING Missouri Family Food Boxes

The Mission and Outreach Ministry will continue collecting items for the Missouri Family Food Boxes through September up to the Sharefest on September 22nd. *Donated items must be exactly as shown below:*

3 different cans of vegetables 14.5 oz.

3 cans tuna 5 oz.

3 pkgs. macaroni & cheese

3 different cans of fruit 14.5 oz.

1 can pasta sauce

1 jar peanut butter

3 cans chicken 12.5 oz.

1 lb. pasta

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOUR

The Mission and Outreach Ministry is considering a possible church activity during the Christmas season and would like your input. The Trolley Company of Jefferson City provides transportation so that folks can sit back, enjoy the ride, and view beautiful Christmas lights around town. The trolley holds 18 people and costs between \$12-13 per person.

Mission and Outreach would like to get a group together from the church and go on a 5:30 tour which lasts about two hours. The tour goes to Binder Lake and also captures the best lights in town. They would like to know how many might be interested and which night would work best to attend. The tour runs every night but Mondays, with Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays filling up quickly. If interested or if you have any questions, please contact Susan Poettgen at 573-298-4515 or email susan.poettgen@gmail.com.



OUR SHARED LIFE

BAPTISMS

Kasen Lee Stafford was born March 3, 2018, and baptized August 12, 2018. Kasen is the son of Kirk and Danielle Stafford.



PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Stoneburner has agreed to fill-in for emergency pastoral care. If you have a need for pastoral care, call the church office at 635-1041, and they will contact Rev. Stoneburner.

PRIME TIME CLUB

Prime Time Club will gather on Tuesday, August 28, at 11:30 a.m. for their monthly carry-in luncheon and fellowship. The guest speaker will be Jackie Barron from Capitol Region Medical Center. She will be speaking about arthritis and a joint replacement program. Please come and join us.



90+ BIRTHDAYS

Juanita Muck (9/14)

Primrose Retirement Community
1214 Freedom Blvd., Apt. 214
Jefferson City, MO 65109

OKTOBERFEST

Oktoberfest German Dinner is back at Central UCC on Friday, September 28! Faye Rinaldi and Mary Ann Wippermann are in charge along with help from: Freda Maness, our dessert lady; the Elenor Circle; and many other volunteers. The menu will consist of roast beef, German potato salad, coleslaw, green beans, applesauce, bread, pie, iced tea, lemonade, and coffee. The children's menu is hot dogs, chips, and other sides.

We are needing volunteers (men and women) to help with all aspects of the meal ranging from decorating tables (we have the decorations); fixing the German potato salad (will be done on Thursday, the 27th) and other food items (roast beef will be prepared by an outside vendor); donating pies; cutting/packaging the pies; selling dinner tickets; serving the food/beverages; busing tables; valet parking; and clean up.

Serving time will be from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the church gym. Cost is \$12 per adult (all you can eat) and \$5 per child under age 10.

A volunteer sign-up sheet is included with this article. Completed sheets can be placed in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, turned in or mailed to the church office by September 9. For more information, please contact Faye Rinaldi at 573-619-3339 or fayerinaldif@yahoo.com, or Mary Ann Wippermann at 573-636-3685 or mlwipper@embarqmail.com. **Please consider volunteering as many hands make for light work.**

OKTOBERFEST GERMAN DINNER VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

____ I can help with making the German potato salad on Thursday

____ 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon ____ 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

____ I can help decorate the tables on Thursday starting at 9 a.m. until completed

____ I can help with preparing the other food on Friday

____ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. ____ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. ____ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

____ I can help with cutting/packaging/replenishing the pies on Friday

____ 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. ____ 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. ____ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

____ I can work outside helping with valet parking and related things

____ 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. ____ 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

____ I can help at the ticket sales table

____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. ____ 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

____ I can help with serving the meal

____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. ____ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

____ I can help with busing tables and trash removal

____ 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. ____ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

____ I can help with clean-up starting at 6:30 p.m. until completed

____ I can bring pies ____ number of pies bringing

No cream pies; pumpkin and pecan pies must be purchased from a store bakery, not home made or baked from frozen (*pursuant to the city's Regulations for Temporary Food Services*)

Bring your pies to the church gym on Friday between 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

***** Cash donations for purchasing pies will be accepted and can be given to Freda Maness, Mary Ann Wippermann, or Faye Rinaldi.

NAME _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

PLEASE TURN IN COMPLETED SIGN-UP SHEET BY SEPTEMBER 9

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

WORSHIP USHERS

2018 Team Schedule:

January & July —

February & August — Mary Ann Wippermann

March & September —

April & October — Carl Ernst

May & November — Monty Schmutzler

June & December — Russell Rottmann

September:

Leo Blochberger

Gary Woodward

Paul LePage (Honorary)

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Sunday, Sept. 2 — Susan Poettgen & Gwen Vieth

SALVATION ARMY MEAL

Thursday, Sept. 13 — Bev Price

MEALS ON WHEELS

Wednesday, Sept. 19 — Prime Time Club

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's that time of the year – the 12th Annual Golf Tournament happens Friday, September 7th! That means auction items are needed. Look around your house for items you can donate (NO furniture please!).

On the evening of the golf tournament, the Friday night pork steak dinner and auction will also take place again. Lots of fun and great food. Warren Witt will be our auctioneer. Tickets are only \$10.00!

Brotherhood has raised over \$100,000 in the past 11 years. All proceeds go to various groups. Thanks to many of you who have helped in this great cause—let's keep it going!

CHURCH COUNCIL

The next Church Council meeting will be held on Thursday, September 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the church library.

“TOWER” DEADLINE

Please note: ***Deadline for the October “Tower” issue is September 15.*** Please make sure to email your articles to the office in a timely manner. Thanks!

SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Rummage Sale will be happening again next year! Mark your calendars now for Saturday, May 4, 2019 and start saving items that can be donated!

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8:30am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Coffee Hour 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Children's SS 6:00pm Boys' B-Ball/Open Gym	3 Office Closed for Labor Day	4 1:00pm Women's Fellowship Reassembly Meeting 5:30pm Brotherhood	5 9:00am Quilting 3:45pm Young Youth 6:15pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Sr. Choir	6	7 Brotherhood Golf Tournament 5:30pm BBQ Pork Steak Dinner and Auction	8
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 to our community, and to our world.

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Ministers..... Every Member
 Director of Music..... Dr. Patrick Clark
 Young Youth Director Rene Miserez
 Organist Shirley Klein
 Bell Choir Director Rene Miserez

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:

8:30am Adult Sunday School
 9:00am Coffee Hour
 10:00am Worship Service
 10:15am Children's Sunday School

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