

The VISION —

July 2016

GOD'S TREASURY OF VIRTUES

The Fruit of the Spirit - Galatians 5:22-23

Adult Bible Study

Wednesdays: July 20 - September 14
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Plan now to attend these sessions led by some of our C.C.C. teachers.

- July 20th **Love** by Chuck Elston
- July 27th **Joy** by Claudia Lane
- August 3rd **Peace** by Tim Belcher
- August 10th **Patience** by Doris Elston
- August 24th **Goodness** by Denyse Thorpe
- August 31st **Faithfulness** by Charlie Mitchell

SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Plan now to attend these services at 6 p.m.

TRADITIONAL HYMN SING

Sunday: July 17—Claudia Lane, pianist
—Roger Foggin, preacher

IMPACT PRAISE SERVICE

Sunday: July 24—Kaytlin Steckler, pianist
(Dedicated to Catherine Hines)
—Luke Jackson, preacher

Come for a great time of music and worship! Invite your friends too!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sun., July 10 - Thurs., July 14 6—8:45 p.m.

Mission: The Christian Support Center



Join us as we take a thrill ride through God's creation! There will be exciting games, activities, food, and prizes for children aged 12 and under!

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Volunteers are appreciated to help with the care of the "Celebrate Life Garden". This garden is located on the northwest corner of the Church property along the Plainfield Walk/Bike Path. Contact Chuck Elston if you would be willing to give some TLC occasionally this summer.

MONDAY, JULY 4th

On July 4th, the Office will be closed. Have an enjoyable holiday! Also, there will be no Men's Breakfast.

SAVE THE DATE

FALL SCHEDULE: Wed., Aug. 10th at 6 p.m.—Family Meal

—7 p.m.—Classes for All Ages

—8 p.m.—Praise Team Practice

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From Roger

The Cost of Freedom

The 4th of July is a holiday in which we celebrate our nation's freedom—our independence. When we celebrate, we have cookouts and set off fireworks. And we say, "God bless America!" When we think of the freedom that we have in America, do we think to ask the questions: "What is the cost of freedom?" "Is it worth the cost?" According to the statistics that I read, the 4,491 U.S. soldiers that have died in Iraq thought it was worth the cost. 2,229 of their brothers who died in Afghanistan thought it was worth the cost. In fact, freedom has cost the United States of America 1,354,664 of it's most precious commodity—soldiers that are willing to die for our freedom. They thought it was worth the cost. And as we see, freedom isn't free. It cost dearly.

Your freedom from sin cost dearly also. It cost Jesus His place in Heaven for 33 years. It cost Him tremendous suffering and agony until He finally gave His all on the cross that we might have freedom from the condemnation of Hell. Yes, freedom isn't free. All you have to do is walk among the grave markers of Arlington to understand that. You don't have to travel to Arlington National Cemetery to understand the cost of freedom. Just come to Center Community Church. You'll find it there. There you will see the cross. There you will understand the cost of freedom. There you will understand that Christ thought you were worth the cost.

Dear Church Family,

Worth Fighting For

As I write this, it is Flag Day which is to remember the adoption of the Flag of the US in 1777. On June 14, 1916, President Wilson issued the Proclamation to commemorate the US Flag. This year marks the Centennial Celebration. Congress finally passed it into law in 1949; however, as an observance and not a holiday. The Flag is now a Supreme Court Issue. In 1989, the Supreme Court decided that burning the Flag was a free speech issue breaking with almost 200 years of tradition that the Flag is a protected item. I remember as a Boy Scout learning the proper way to burn the American Flag, and this was not it.

The concept of Freedom of Religion is also under such attack as the Flag. The 1st amendment of the Bill of Rights states that the government is prohibited from making a law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof. According to the Pew Research Center's Religion and Public Life Project, the US puts a "moderate" restriction on religious freedom. For example if a church accepts federal funding or claims a tax-exempt status, then the church is not allowed to talk about politics from the pulpit or endorse a candidate. Yet we hear about candidates going to church and speaking in front of that congregation. Is it allowed for some, but not all? Is this being selectively prosecuted? In the 1800's, a Church took a stand on candidates and now it is prohibited from doing so.

I go back to John 3:16 when it states: "16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. This is a gift from God that cannot and will not be taken away. No matter what our government does as long as we know Jesus Christ, we know we are safe and have a place with Him in Heaven.

I was going to bring up where it states in Luke 20:24-25 that the Pharisees tried to trick Jesus about paying taxes to Caesar. Jesus asks who is on the coin, and they stated "Caesar" Then he said to pay Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's. Jesus made His stand and again the Pharisees were hushed and backed down.

We need to make a stand for ourselves and not let the government dictate who and what we are. God has already done that for us!

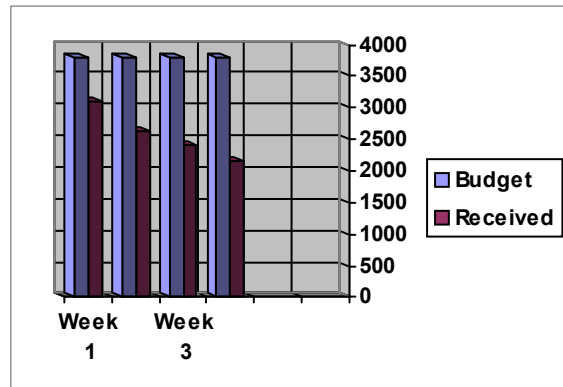
—Charley Harlan for Ministry and Council

Stewardship S.S. A.M. General Fund

5/8	42	141	\$ 3,116.00
5/15	37	152	\$ 2,637.00
5/22	38	124	\$ 2,417.00
5/29	29	96	\$ 2,166.00

BUILDING FUND (as of 6/1/16) \$229,782.71
 (Includes the Recycling Fund)

*“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus.”
 —Philippians 4:19 (NIV)*



From the Missions Ministry

In this newsletter issue, I wish to explain some things about our Missions Ministry. The General Mission Fund is sent to 12 Missions that we support regularly. We also have a Help Fund for needy Church families. We try to be aware of the possible needs of families in our Church. There is a box on the table by the Secretary’s Office door where suggestions of families that might need help can be placed.

In choosing to support a Mission, we consider if the work is being done in Jesus’ name, how effective the Mission is and how much of the donated monies go for administrative costs. We can be proud that through the Missions we support regularly, the ministry of Center Community Church reaches around the world and glorifies our Lord Jesus in many ways.

Our Missions Ministry members take turns writing an article about one of the Missions we support each month in the Church’s newsletter. We maintain a bulletin board in the hallway on which we place current news about the Missions we support. Another part of our responsibility is to have a report periodically from each of the Missions we support. We may invite a missionary to speak to our Church or to meet with us to report what is happening in his or her area of service.

—Chuck Elston for the Missions Ministry

Please ask for “stamps” when you shop at Family Christian Store. Turn them into the Office to be used for purchasing materials.

Please bring ink cartridges to the Church Office for recycling at Staples. Just put them on the table by the Office door.

PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER!

GOLDEN FELLOWSHIP



Join us at Golden Corral on Wed., July 6th at 11:30 a.m.

Invite a friend too!



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Center’s
“Tomorrow’s Hope” is heard at

11:30 a.m. on Sundays!

*Yes, the Building Fund continues!
 Yes, the Recycle Fund continues!
 Yes, a new building is still in the planning (when adequate money is available)!*

RECYCLING PROJECT

ONLY METAL AND ALUMINUM CANS ARE NOW BEING RECYCLED!

**IF YOU USE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF INK,
PLEASE SEE DENYSE IN THE OFFICE.**

Epson 78, HP 15, HP 45A, HP 56 & 57

Several have been donated, but aren't ones we use. Also, if you have an older computer and need a printer, there is an HP available and some of

CREW Carwash Tickets available for \$8.

YOU ARE INVITED:

MISSIONS SHAKE-OUT FOR THE CAMP FUND ON SUN., MARCH 15.

A BIG thank you goes to everyone who brought socks for the Sox Box this year. Mary Roe is the Sox Box Coordinator, and she counted 302 socks before shipping them to Cookson Home. This was a record number of socks to be sent, and we know that the children will appreciate having so many new socks. Thanks again for your generosity!
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lowship

YOU CAN HELP

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CAMPERS THIS SUMMER

INCLUDE: Spencer Dickman, Ellie Hines, Katie Hines, Brynn Hudson, Rory Hudson, Dustin Kehoe, and Garrett Steckler Payton ???

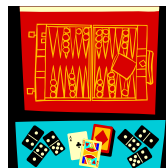
THANK YOU:

A "Special" thank you goes to so many of you who do so many jobs around our building and for those in our congregation! This church is so blessed to have so many hard-working individuals who do so much and don't want any acclaim from anyone. Please know YOU ALL ARE AP-

..Please ask for "stamps" when you hop at Family Christian Store. Turn them into the Office to be used for purchasing materials...*Please bring ink cartridges to the Church Office for recycling. Just put them on the table by the Office door.* You may donate Bibles to the Christian Support Center. (Please put them in the special box in the Lobby.)...**Invite someone to Worship!**

**Sheep's Gate—Martinsville IN
Couples' Retreat**

The Church Federation sponsors this Christmas event at Plainfield High School at 7 p.m. on Fri., Dec. 11



GAME NIGHT

Friday, October 30th at 6:30 p.m.
Join the fun!

Bring snacks, games & friends!
If you haven't ever come to this activity, this month would be a great

Parents & Campers,
Hanging Rock Christian Camp sign-up's open on January 15th! This year Hanging Rock is encouraging parents to sign their campers up online @ www.hangingrock.org which will give a discount. I do have the discount code for our church, so please see me to get it. Many of these sessions fill up quickly, so whether you are in pre-school or just graduated high school, there are things for you! An information book is on the table in the lobby with dates and specifics, or just see me and I would be glad to share my copy with you. Take care!
Luke



YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Sundays from Noon to 2 pm:
Youth Group meets for lunch, lesson, & business.
NO Youth Group—July 10 or 24
July 3—"4th of July" Party
July 22-23—Cedar Point Trip
July 29—Indians Ballgame & Back to School
Kick Off

"SHALL"

"Shall" is a word you'll find in many legal documents. It's even in our Constitution as a definitive guarantee of whatever rights there are being addressed. This word was used to ensure that the message was clear and would not be changed. The phrase comes from the Bible, and notably the King James (1611 Authorized). Many translations we have today have replaced "shall" with "will" and the meaning and message remain exactly the same. However, I like the word "shall," because with it comes a true sense of assurance and certainty. (It's like the word "will" on steroids)

In John 11, Jesus is speaking with Martha, the sister of Lazarus (who had just passed away), and He tells her this: "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me shall live, even though they die. Everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" (Verses 25&26)

Jesus was giving a definite statement in what he told Martha. This was not something Jesus said "will be" or "will come," but rather He is saying "it is." Jesus knew the power His resurrection would bring. He knew that by His death, burial, and resurrection, death itself would be humiliated and Satan himself would be made into a public spectacle in front of all the heavenly hosts. (Colossians 2:6-15)

For those in Christ are walking with Christ and are alive in Christ. Here Jesus is giving an absolute statement, which the Apostle Paul echoed in 1 Corinthians 15, that sin, death, and Satan have no power whatsoever over those in Christ. Remember, the Lord is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to Him all are alive. (Luke 20:38).

I write this to myself, because I know there are many things in this life for which we do not have the answers and that we never will understand on this side of life. Yet, there is one thing we know with certainty, one thing that we know can never be snatched from us by any force. The word "shall."

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever would believe in Him, **SHALL** not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

Permit me to leave with an excerpt from my favorite Brit Lit Poet, John Donne, in "Death be not Proud":
"One short sleep past, we wake eternally,
And death **shall** be no more, Death, thou shalt die."
In Christ, Luke

SYMPATHY TO:

Grace Walker in the death of her brother-in-law, Jim Maguon.

Billy Hines and daughters, Bailey, Katie, Ellie & Cindy, at the passing of Catherine, a beloved wife and mother. Also to the rest of the Hines and Hudson families at this time of loss.

Tina & Ron McManama in the death of her aunt, Rita James.

The Family and Friends of Ruthie Rayl.

Aimee & John Steckler and children, Garrett and Kaytlin, in the passing of Aimee's mother, Jackie Finesilver.

DONATIONS GIVEN TO THE DAKIN-HINES PIANO FUND **IN MEMORY OF CATHERINE HINES** WERE MADE BY THE FOLLOWING:

Kay Coulter	Claudia Lane
Charlie & Marjorie Harlan	Jamie & Stacey McWhorter
Alan & A. Elly Hulst	Richard & Kristine Samdal
IMO Ruthie Rayl	Allen & Denyse Thorpe
Shirley Joslin	Kathy Wilhite

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IMO of Ruthie Rayl

THANK YOU

The Hines family would like to thank everyone for your calls, cards & enormous amount of food. We also want to thank Luke for driving to Michigan, spending the night, & being by our side. We miss Catherine everyday. We are blessed to be part of this loving church.

Again thanks,
"Hines family"

12th Annual Pop Tab & Coin Drop on Monument Circle

Friday, July 17th from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Hopefully many of you have been saving your pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House— just like the Church has!

(If you can't take them to Monument Circle, bring them to CCC by Wed., July 13th, and put them in the jar on the Lobby Table.

NOTE:

Please turn in information for the Newsletter by the **FIRST** Sunday of the month.
(For the August Newsletter, items are due by July 3rd.)



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Luke Jackson, Youth Minister
Denyse Thorpe, Office Manager
Crissy Livengood, Financial Secretary

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:10 a.m.

	<u>July 3</u>	<u>July 10</u>	<u>July 17</u>	<u>July 24</u>	<u>July 31</u>
Service Leader	J. McWhorter	J. McWhorter	J. McWhorter	J. McWhorter	Youth Sunday
Pianist	D. Kellie	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell	C. & C. Mitchell	
Special Music	L. Dubak M. Newlin	J. Hardin	T. Clark	B. Clark J. Harlan	YOUTH
Communion Meditation	D. Moran	C. Elston	C. Mitchell	C. Harlan	YOUTH
Children's Church	L. Jackson C. Harlan N. Smythe	C. Harlan S. McWhorter N. Smythe	L. Jackson A. Steckler N. Smythe	C. Harlan N. Smythe	In Sanctuary
Toddlers Assistant	A. Moran B. Hudson	B. Moran H. Hines	J. Mitchener B. Hines	A. Moran K. Hines	B. Moran A. Moran
Nursery	J. Harlan	A. Gray	T. Belcher	J. Mitchener	
Greeters	V. Jones D. Heald E. Heald	V. Jones L. Capps T. Cook	V. Jones K. Ellis C. Ellis	V. Jones K. Wilhite K.P. Adams	V. Jones B. Hines M. Hudson

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." —Matthew 5:15 (NIV)

*In response to God's love for us, as expressed in
 His Word and by Jesus' example,
 We at Center Community Church commit ourselves to:*

- * Seek and save the lost*
 - * Strengthen the saved*
 - * Send disciples into ministry*
- For the glory of God and His kingdom.*