

Campbellsburg Christian Church

Newsletter

A Family of Faith, Hope and Love

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Carl's Thoughts

It is truly amazing how quickly time passes. As amazing as time is, it has a tendency to throw many off guard. Summer is almost gone and fall is upon us. How far have you gone? How much have you done? The answer is left up to us individually.

As we embrace the month of September, let us make some decisions that will increase our attendance on Sunday morning. As your interim pastor, I look forward to seeing the attendance grow.

It is a known fact that when we miss church two or three times in a row, it is more challenging to get back to normality. Let us make Sunday a special time by being in church.

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are open to their cry. Psalm 34:15. Let us all strive to make Campbellsburg Christian Church the warmest, most loving and forgiving of any congregation to be found.

Love and peace,
Carl

From the Regional Church

August 18, 2021

ON THE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Rev. Dr. Donald K. Gillett, II
Regional Minister

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Kentucky

To seek certainty in all things is human nature. The definitive is preferable to living with the stress and anxiety that uncertainty breeds. These past 18 or so months we have been filled with uncertainty and unsettledness; shall we mask or not mask; open our church doors or not; eat in public or not. I was reminded on Sunday by Rev. Crystal McAliley, as she preached from Psalm 13 at the installation of Rev. Amanda Dewitt, of the need to lament.

As I listened to Rev. McAliley preach, the lament of "Oh Lord" resonated with my spirit. I heard the "Oh Lord" that I shouted out more than 14 months ago, when I wanted certainty about what was to come; I heard the "Oh Lord" well up in my bosom for the pastors who have had to hold strong during these times. I heard the "Oh Lord" in the spiritual leadership of elders and deacons and board chairs as they have had to wrestle with budgets and masking and opening and closing. I heard the "Oh Lord" of the members of

congregations who have seen the changing in ministry. I recalled the many times I have said, "Oh Lord" as I leaned in to the Lord.

As I listened, I recalled the weeping prophet Jeremiah's proclamation in Lamentations 3:23-24, "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." While Jeremiah's outward affliction and inward turmoil pushed him toward despair, Jeremiah forced himself to bring truth to the forefront of his mind.

If I were going to take a moment to celebrate, I would proclaim The Lord's compassion comes through - Christ's compassion healed a leper, His compassion fed a multitude, not once but twice, His compassion failed not as he raised the dead, delivered the demon possessed and restored site to the blind. His compassion failed not as some of us could have been dead and gone, some of us would not be where we are if he did not have compassion of us. Even as I lamented, I leaned in and looked up to the new mercies. In this season, I admonish you to Lament, Lean-in and Look-up for "Great is God's faithfulness."

On this journey, I ask that over the next 12 months that you, yes you, would do three things with me: 1) Join with me in prayer for the health, and growth of the Christian in Church in Kentucky, 2) Join with me on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays for 30 minutes of conversations where we can talk and listen to one another (sign up now) and 3) Expand the table for God's children.

On the Journey together!

Church Updates

Covid-19 cases continue to be on the rise throughout our community and the safety of our congregation is of utmost importance. CDC recommendations encourage everyone, even the fully vaccinated, to wear a mask in public indoor settings. While we are not requiring masks at this time, we encourage you to follow current recommendations to protect your own health and the health of those around you, especially those who are vulnerable and our children. We also encourage you to practice social distancing in choosing where to sit during our worship service. Please continue to be in prayer for our church, our community, those impacted by COVID, and those who are caring for them during this resurgence.

As most of you are aware, our elevator was out of commission on two Sundays in the month of July. It is now back up and running and all is well, but we did incur some additional expense in relation to the repairs. Thanks to the company for working with us to the best of their best ability on lowering our charges.

Scripture of the Month

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Financial Info

As of August 31, 2021:

Balance in the Checking Account:	\$ 31,981.99
Total Offerings for the Month:	\$ 4,857.00
Balance in the Memorial Fund:	\$ 18,412.90

September Calendar

- September 1st: *Happy Birthday – Oakley McVicker*
- September 3rd: *Happy Anniversary – Josh & Brittani Barnett*
- September 5th: Call to Worship – Linda Schulten
Elder – Kevin Mullikin
Deacons – John Ellegood & Mindy Lawrence
Guest Musician – Cheri Simpson
- September 6th: **Labor Day**
- September 8th: *Happy Birthday – Amy Lyle & Ginny Lyle*
- September 11th: **Patriots' Day**
- September 12th: **Grandparents' Day**
Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of children is their parents. – Proverbs 17:6
Guest Minister – Rev. John Richardson
Call to Worship – Kevin Mullikin
Elder – Kim Mullikin
Deacons – Ben Lyle & Linda Schulten
Guest Musician – Cheri Simpson
- September 15th: Happy Anniversary – Jerry & Jennifer Rankin
- September 17th: *Happy Birthday – Les Lyle*
- September 18th: *Happy Birthday – David Cooper and Phil Spradling*
Happy Anniversary – Jim & Sherry Chambers
- September 19th: Call to Worship – Jill Bohman
Elder – Tracy Carpenter
Deacons – Jill Bohman & Isaac Schwarz
Guest Musician – John Ball
Board Meeting – 4:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall
- September 20th: *Happy Anniversary – Rev. Rob Shrader & Dr. Lisa Hoffman*
- September 21st: *Happy Birthday – Denny Brown*

- September 22nd: **First Day of Autumn**
CCC packing bags for Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen – 5:45 p.m.
- September 23rd: *Happy Anniversary – Ben & Elizabeth Lawrence*
- September 26th: Call to Worship – Chet Lawrence
Elder – Chet Lawrence
Deacons – Patricia Carpenter & John Ellegood
Guest Musician – Cheri Simpson
Fall Break Kids' Kitchen items due
- September 27th: *Happy Birthday – Gina Lyle*
- September 29th: Fall Break Kids' Kitchen bags packed
- October 2nd: *Happy Birthday – Logan Bush*
- October 3rd: Call to Worship – Kim Mullikin
Elder – Kevin Mullikin
Deacons – Mindy Lawrence & Ben Lyle
Guest Musician – John Ball

Outreach & Evangelism Committee

Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen – Backpack Ministry

Things are back up and going with the Campbellsburg Kids' Kitchen Backpack Ministry. The first bags were packed on Wednesday, August 25th. Currently, there are 26 kids, but that could certainly change as the school year progresses.

Our church is still responsible for the following items: **Fruit Grain Bars, Pepperoni Snacks, Jif To Go, Ramen Noodle packs, Pringles, Pudding Cups, Individual Goldfish, Individual Cookie Packs, Cheese Dips Snacks, and General Mills Snack Bars.**

The first packing date for our church will be **September 22nd** at 5:45 p.m. Our packing dates for the remainder of the school year will be November 17, 2021; January 19, 2022 (Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend); March 9, 2022 (Long weekend); and May 4, 2022. May 25th is the last scheduled day of school for the students. Please see Kim or Kevin Mullikin if you would be interested in helping with the packing of these bags.

Fall Break bags will be packed on **September 29th**. Our church is responsible for **5-packs of Ramen Noodles** and **1 regular sized box of Cereal** for each child for these bags. These items will need to be at our church no later than **Sunday, September 26th**. We will also need these same extra items for the Winter Break bags that will be packed on December 15th, the Spring Break bags that will be packed on March 30th, and the Summer Break bags that will be packed on May 18th (unless there are snow days). Don't worry; reminders for these dates and items will be in subsequent newsletters!

Hygiene bags (travel size this year) will be sent periodically throughout the year beginning this month. We will stay connected with the school to understand the greatest needs with regard to these items, and we will add some fun things into them for the kids as well (i.e. growing washcloths, bath paint soap, bubbles, etc.).

Vouchers at Campbellsburg Grocery will once again be provided to each family for Thanksgiving and Christmas meal boxes.

Thanks so much to everyone for making this special outreach so successful.

Thank You

August 2, 2021

Dear Campbellsburg Christian Church friends,

Thank all of you so for the pretty miniature rose plant. I thank you for your thoughtfulness and prayers. I appreciate very much. Thank you Betsy and Kim for the visit.

Sincerely,
Suzanne C. Edelstein

Thanks to everyone for ALL you have done.

Prayers are at the top of the list.

All others - cards, letters, calls & ultimate caring about David's health are so appreciated.

He is slowly making progress and the doctors said it would be a lengthy process.

Thank you again.

We also send prayers for all of you!

Alice & David Lyle

Prayer Concerns

Please See Newsletter in Church

For Specific Prayer Concerns

Due to Confidentiality

All our military personnel

Our Church

Our Search Committee

Our Nation

WORLD PEACE

A Prayer of Stillness

Psalm 46:10 (NIV)

**He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."**

Good morning, God.

As we pause this morning in your presence, at your feet,
I pray we would embody your spirit of peace.

I pray we would know that you are God. I pray we would exalt you. God, would we live our day today knowing the Lord Almighty is with us. Lord, you can accomplish more in a minute of our stillness than an hour of our busy. Help us to know how to be mindful of our time today. Not as the world tells us to be mindful but as you tell us to be mindful. Give us your strength and peace as we trust in you. In Mark 11 we read about your ability to bless us through prayer when we have faith in you, God. **"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mark 11:24**

I pray we would have eyes to see the ways you have already provided for us, the ways you have already blessed us and live with the hope you give when we have faith in you. Amen.

@_brittgoff #wheatfulwednesday

Pleading the Blood of Jesus Prayer

Father in heaven, may we all be cleansed by the saving Blood of Jesus; may our consciences be purged of dead works. Scripture says that evil is defeated by the Blood of the Lamb, so we ask that the Blood of Jesus cover all who are in need of protection (all civil, religious and lay leaders, our families, friends, enemies, all those for whom we have promised to pray, and ourselves). We mark the borders of our nation and the doorposts of our churches, homes, schools and places of employment with the Precious Blood of Jesus. Also, we cover our vehicles that no one may ever be injured through them. Thank You, Lord, for shedding Your Blood for us. May the Water and Blood that came from the side of Jesus create a protecting fountain of grace, one which flows directly from the throne of God to us. Come, Lord, and fill us with Your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Author Unknown

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John Ball