



The Call

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

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We embrace in Christian sympathy the family of

Betty Jo Gardner

who passed away on April 20, 2024

*A Celebration of Life Service was held on
April 25th among friends and family.*

Love Thy Neighbor Tuesdays



Starting in May, we will continue to serve meals on Tuesdays to those in our community who are in need. We have been a part of this reaching out for many years and it has become a pride of Central Christian to be able to help those who could use a little help. This year we will be teaming up with other Disciples of Christ churches on Tuesday to meet this need in our community. Central will still be in charge of the meal on the 3rd Tuesday of every month and we will be joined by Brentwood Christian Church, First Christian Church of Republic, and members of the Gathering Friends group. This is a wonderful way of being able to show God's love to all people and to show everyone that God's love abides in all our hearts. We remember what we talked about a couple of Sundays ago when the author of 1 John asked us this question:

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? - 1 John 3:17 (NRSV)

We show everyone that God's love abides in us every time we are able to give from what we have and be present to all members of our community.

There is a sign up sheet on the desk outside of the church office for the supplies that we will be needing for our next opportunity to help our sisters and brothers. **Our next meal will be served on May 21st.** If you can help in any way, from donating items, to helping prepare, cook, serve, or clean up after the meal it would be greatly appreciated and always needed.

We want to thank everyone at Central Christian for their dedication to all of God's children and their willingness to share their goods with others and to allow God's love to abide in their hearts.

Congregational Concerns

Family of Betty Jo Gardner **John Thurman** **Fred Spence** Greg Walton Martha Williams Everett Deeds
 Richard Lee Joyce Moots Larry Graham Winnie Young Howard & Lynda McCoy Patty Thurman
 Rhonda Stewart Lisa Lynch Charles Marshall Jim & Elaine Spradlin Kitty Manary Wilma Frazier
 Gary Wright Betty Jo Gardner Dan Hicks Frank & Pat Dodd Duane & Dana Powell
 Annie Anderson, Daughter of Charlie & Carol Mabry Patty Soukup Gloria Brown and family
 Rebecca & Justin Ebert, Daughter of Ray & Sharon Lowry Steve Vestal Jean Hagerman Don Nix
 Robert & Beth Taylor William Francis Shirley Potter Evelyn Looney Paul Martin James Willingham
 Barb Rossetter Karen Hahn Karen Sunderwirth Zach D., Friend of Jayden W.
 Tammy Larimore, friend of Carol Pyles Barbara Richardson & Leslie Clements, mother & sister of Vicky Claborn
 Joyce Prince, sister of Wilma Frazier Scott Biggs, son of Marilyn (Starnes) & Rex Biggs

(Please notify the office when a concern can be removed)

**Livestream our Sunday morning
 service—starting at 9:30—at
www.centralchristianspringfield.org.
 Connect with us on social media:**



SUBSCRIBE to our YouTube channel at
 Central Christian, Springfield, MO



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FINANCIALS & ATTENDANCE

4/21/2024

General Fund
 Contributions: \$1,266.00
 Attendance: 93
 Online service views: 48*

4/28/2024

General Fund
 Contributions: \$3,288.00
 Attendance: 76
 Online service views: 34*

*As of 4/29/2024

	<u>May 5</u>	<u>May 12</u>	<u>May 19</u>
Elders	Kay Parrish Dorothy Thurman	Phil Brown Mark Bowdidge	Linda Zweerink Gwen Thomas
Deacon Team Leader	Bill Fischer	Everett French	Patsy Tipton
Invocation and Offering	Joe Parrish	Ray Lowry	
Communion & Fellowship Prep.	Jim & Marilyn Ferguson	Bob & Dorothy Thurman	Everett & Carolyn Deeds
Usher		Ginger Willimason	
Greeter			



Mid-Town Concert Series Concert Cancelled

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Garner Phillips Memorial Organ Concert will have to be cancelled. This concert was rescheduled from November when the blower to our organ was not working and we had high hopes for this concert in May. Unfortunately, our organ blower is not working again and, because of that, we will not be able to hear Scott Montgomery play for us. We appreciate Scott's patience and willingness to reschedule and hope to have him back to play for us soon. We are sorry for this inconvenience but are doing everything we can to get our organ back and working soon. Thank you for your patience.

FOR SUNDAY MORNING

Sermon Title and Scriptures

May 5, 2024

John 15:9-17:16-24

"Jesus Is Love"

Sermon Title and Scripture

May 12, 2024

John 17:6-19

"We Should Be Love"

This past Sunday was the last Sunday with our Organist, Vicky Claborn. We had a wonderful reception for Vicky and thanked her for her many years of service and the wonderful addition she made to our worship service. As we transition from Vicky, please know that we have talked to another organist and that when we can we will let you know more. Until then, we will continue with our worship service. The service might be different from what we have done previously, but any time we are able to gather and to praise God for all the good in our lives is a beautiful day and a perfect reason to gather as a community.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Sundays as we continue to live in God's love for all.

MAY 5



MAY 12



Celebrations!!!



April

4/1 – Macy Lynch

4/2 – Patricia Peebles

4/4 – Tiffany Lynch

4/5 – Jill Slack

4/6 – Jordan Edel

4/7 – Josh Thomas

4/8 – Wilma Frazier,
Kevin Ritter

4/11 – Jim Ferguson

4/12 – John Deeds,
Jean Hagerman

4/14 – Gavvy Eoff,
Belina Njuki

4/15 – Bill Grier

4/16 – Shirley Potter

4/19 – David Frazier

4/20 – Teresa Allen

4/21 – John Ferguson

4/22 – Phil Brown,
Howard McCoy,
Traci Vargas

4/25 – Bill Fischer

4/26 – JC Hicks

4/27 – Peggy Patton

4/28 – Jo Gardner,
Julie West



May

5/1 – Cameron Eoff,
Dave Moots,
Steven Nix,
Wanda Rout

5/2 – Cheryl Horton

5/3 – Michelle Brown,
Iva Hill,
Linda Zweerink

5/6 – Janet Copeland

5/12 – Doris Thornton

5/16 – Barbara Roelofs

5/18 – Rich Osborne,
Joe Pyles,
Dwayne Rout,
Ray West

5/19 – Carol Mabry

5/20 – Teresa Hicks

5/22 – Chris Deeds,
Grady Eoff,
Duane Powell

5/23 – Everett Deeds

5/26 – Michael Lynch,
Patsy Tipton

5/27 – Evelyn Looney

5/28 – Frank Dodd

5/29 – Charles Mabry,
Karen Sunderwirth

5/31 – Mary Reichard

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God's Beloved Child



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Sunday Mornings

9:30 am Worship,
in person and via our
Livestream

10:45 am Fellowship

**11:00 am Sunday
School**