



Central Scene

The Monthly Newsletter of Central Presbyterian Church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas

June 2011

Presbyterian Women and Men of the Church News

Central's Presbyterian Women and Men of the Church will not meet this summer. Regular meetings will resume in September.

We extend a special thanks to all who participated in the church-wide work days held in April and May. All of our volunteers did a wonderful job, and their hard work is evident both inside and outside our church. Thanks again, to all who helped with these projects.

PW News:

The Presbyterian Women of Central Presbyterian Church will host a **Brunch on Friday, June 14, at 10:00 a.m.**, in the Great Hall at Trinity Village. Everyone is invited to attend and join the residents at Trinity Village for this wonderful opportunity to enjoy good food and fellowship with one another.

A variety of finger foods will be served. Bonnie Rauls is organizing this year's event. Please contact her at 870-534-3872 and let her know what you would like to bring or if you have any questions. The residents at Trinity Village look forward to this event every year, and we encourage even more of Central's family and friends to come and join the fun.

The Presbyterian Women's Birthday offering will be received on July 17, during morning worship. The Birthday Offering is a PW offering normally collected in the spring of each year to celebrate the blessings in the lives of Presbyterian Women. The offering funds up to five projects that are not included in ongoing General Assembly mission support, such as agricultural development, child care, community organization, criminal justice, drug counseling, economic justice,

elderly care, employment training, homelessness, literacy, violence and women's concerns.

Men of the Church News:

The Men of the Church would like to announce that Zac Cosner has been elected leader of the Men for the 2011-2012 year. We are grateful to Al Glover, the outgoing leader, for his hard work and commitment during his time of service. We offer thanks to both Al and Zac for their willingness to serve and dedication to our Men's group.

Looking for a Way to Beat the Heat?

Our Annual Ice Cream Social should do the trick! Join us on **July 4, at 6:00 p.m.** for a combination ice cream social and cookout. Volunteers are needed to bring ice cream, toppings, cakes, and cookies. This is the perfect opportunity to prepare or purchase your favorite flavor and share it with your Central family and friends.

In the next few days, a sign up sheet with more information will be placed on the bulletin board in McElyea Hall. Also, look for more details in your weekly bulletins. We always have a great time at these events and would love to see you there. Bring a friend and come and join the fun!

Let Leo Lion Tell You a Story

The PineBluff/Jefferson County Library System wants every child to know about Leo Lion. Leo is the library's special storyteller. Children may call anytime of the day or night to hear a story. Just call 870-536-5466, which spells "Leo Lion" on the phone, sit back and listen.

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Nursery Attendant: Laura Cosner

Youth Sponsors: Marty Shell
Rose Von Tungeln
Suzy Von Tungeln

SESSION

<u>Class of 2011</u>	<u>Class of 2012</u>
Jane Judkins	Zac Cosner
Bubba VonTungeln	Laura Festa
Amanda Chandler	Mike Kelley
George Mosley	Jemmie Moseley
Alvin Glover	John Parish

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Membership in Central Presbyterian Church is open to all who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. New members will be received upon baptism and profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or by letter of transfer.

FROM THE PASTOR

As we have just passed Memorial Day and now journey forward into the "long languid" days of Summer, I'd like to do some pondering, triggered in part by the study that we presently are doing during our Thursday Noon Luncheon and Bible Study. At present, we are exploring the Wisdom Literature found within Proverbs and Ecclesiastes. One of the questions that arose as I was working on the lesson was, "Where do we as a congregation presently see ourselves in relation to the Seasons of our life?" Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 specifically identifies times and events in our lives; where as a congregation do we view ourselves?

Many things that I see about this congregation point towards the fact that we are at a time for up-building! We certainly have many young children and new members, along with our new bus and activities. However, since Easter our Sunday morning attendance has dropped. Is it simply the time to rest?

Once again this August, we've got a wonderful Vacation Bible School planned which will require the involvement of many people. Are we willing and able to commit to the future of our youth and this church, or is it the season to sit back and let things coast to a gradual stop - a *natural death*? Are we content to maintain the *status quo* where the last survivor "locks the doors and turns out the lights"?

As I said in last month's newsletter, I believe that we still have a vital mission here in Pine Bluff. However, my believing that and us stepping up to the plate to do these things is a very different matter. This past month, we as a congregation experienced a very sad death of a very involved and devoted member. Does that mean that we now can or should 'back off' or do we need to 'step up to the plate' more like our dear friend Peggy did and answer, "Yes! I may need you to show me what to do, but I'm willing!" Are we willing?

Grace and Peace,

Dan

SHINE

This Summer

Financial Report	April	2011	Year	2011
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Revenue				
Pledges & Contributions	\$10,391	\$10,329	\$39,667	\$41,315
Texas Foundation Interest	\$4,826	\$1,333	\$8,242	\$5,333
Busick Trust Interest	\$4,938	\$2,000	\$8,383	\$8,000
Operating Revenue	\$20,155	\$13,662	\$56,292	\$54,648
Expenses	<u>18,106</u>	<u>\$17,532</u>	<u>\$69,520</u>	<u>\$70,128</u>
Operating Net Income/(Loss)	<u>\$2,049</u>	<u>-\$3,870</u>	<u>-\$13,228</u>	<u>-\$15,480</u>

A
Note from
the
Choirmaster
Marty Shell

I certainly want to say a special thanks to all of our choir family for giving 110% from Advent all the way through Easter. From all the extra rehearsal time to giving the extra effort in solos or sectionals, you have given your best and it is greatly appreciated.

As we begin our summer season, we will slip in a free Wednesday night (and possibly a special trip) just for our choir family. Thank you for giving your all and more during our busy seasons! We hope to share some of the choir favorites during our summer season. If you have a favorite selection that you would like to hear, please let a member of the choir know!

Vacation Bible School Dates Set

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School at Central on August 4th -6th. This year's program is Rainforest Adventure; a fun filled, God-centered VBS program designed to help kids experience the importance of Stewardship. The program will be held Thursday and Friday evenings and during the day on Saturday.

Be sure to check the July issue of the Central Scene for more details on what promises to be a fun and faith filled event!





Gifts to the Church



In Loving Memory of Reda Monk

Sheila and Jimmy Horn-Choir
Jemmie Moseley-Undesignated
Ann Woolley-Choir
Lynda Vick and Family and Nell Horne-Choir
Wanda Vining-Undesignated
Pat and Mike Drewett-Nursery Wish List

In Loving Memory of Peggy Wilson

Bill VonTungeln-Vera Lloyd
Rose VonTungeln-Playground Equipment
Jo Weaver-Undesignated
Ann Woolley-Choir
Mary Wooten-Undesignated
Connie and Bill Detmers-Youth Trip
Mildred Gaunt-Undesignated
Patsy and Al Glover-Presbyterian Women
Sheila and Jimmy Horn-Undesignated
Karen and David Perdue-Undesignated
Bonnie Rauls-Choir
Jim Smedley-Presbyterian Women
Anita "Tiny" McEntire-Undesignated
Briana and David McNeil-Undesignated
Linda Shibley-Undesignated
SOC EMS Database & Hardware
c/o Anita McEntire-Undesignated
Joey Ashcraft & Martha Wise-Undesignated

Judge and Mrs. Lawrence E. Dawson-Undesignated
Entergy Systems Operation Center
c/o Polly Irons-Undesignated
Elizabeth and Clint Aymond-Undesignated
Christy Wright-Undesignated
Katherine Varnell & Tanya Jones-Playground
Equipment
Bettie Joe Isbell-Undesignated
Lynda Vick & Family and Nell Horne-Youth Trip
Valerie Reichen-Undesignated
Laura and Arlie Akines-Undesignated
Sue and John Green-Undesignated
Linda Hankins-Undesignated
Linda Johnson-Undesignated
Barbara Bluerock Harris-New Van
William Smithwick-Undesignated
Rev. and Mrs. John Shell-Undesignated
B.J. and Janice Goodman-Undesignated
Anne and Robert Reed-Undesignated
Carolyn and Tommy Mebane-Choir

In Memory of Kerrie Tucker

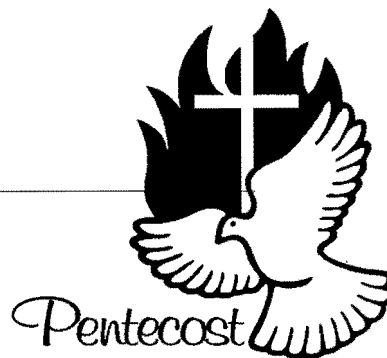
Carolyn and Tommy Mebane-Choir

In Memory of Ella Blackerby and Amy Foote

Dess and Tom Foote-New Van



June 14



June 12

Regular Group Activities at Central

Are you looking for a way to become more involved in the work of the church or community? Maybe you would like to find a positive way to increase your social interaction with others? Are you in need of support for a personal issue with which you are dealing? Central offers, or is host to, many groups and activities that could help you do all of those things and more. Below is a list of group activities here at Central. We invite and encourage you to participate in as many of these activities as you would like. We hope you will join us!

Youth Group: Sunday - 5:30 p.m. - Youth/Activities Bldg.

Monthly Fellowship Luncheon: 3rd Sunday - 12:30 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Regular Session Meeting: 3rd Sunday - 1:30 p.m. - Conference Room

Blue Moon Sunday: 5th Sunday - 6 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Trinity Village Vespers: 5th Sunday - 4:30 p.m. - Trinity Village Great Hall

"The Firm Believers" Aerobics: Mon. & Wed. - 9 to 10 a.m., Tues. & Thurs. - 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. *and* 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Weight Watchers: Monday - 12:00 p.m. & 5:45 p.m. - Youth Activities Building

Square & Folk Dancing: Monday - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Presbyterian Women Evening Circle: 2nd Monday - 6:30 p.m. - Perdue Library (Does not meet in summer)

Presbyterian Women Morning Circle: 2nd Tuesday - 10 a.m. - Perdue Library (Does not meet in summer)

Ballroom Dance Classes: Tuesday - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - McElyea Hall

NAMI Meetings: 2nd Tuesday - 7 p.m. - Youth/Activities Bldg.

Central Choir: Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. - Choir Room

Noon Bible Study: Thursday - 12 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Al-Anon Parent's Group: Thursday - 6:30 p.m. - Perdue Library

Lions Club Dinner Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursday - 7 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Dominos: 2nd and 4th Friday - 1 to 3 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Men of the Church Breakfast Meeting: 2nd Saturday - 8 a.m. (Does not meet in summer)

Ballroom Dance Lesson: 2nd Saturday - 3:30 p.m. - McElyea Hall

Ballroom Dance: 2nd Saturday - 7 to 11 p.m. - McElyea Hall

For more information on any of the activities listed, contact the church office at (870) 879-9074.

Memorial & Gift Opportunities

Landscape Fund

We have completed the first stages of our Landscaping Project, but there is still a lot to be done. If you would like to contribute to this ongoing project in memory or honor of a loved one, or just give a gift toward the completion of this project, please designate your desire on the memo line of your check or attach a note to your gift indicating your wishes.

Playground Equipment

We are also seeking special funds to purchase and install some playground equipment to support our growing group of young people. If you would like to contribute to this effort in memory or honor of a loved one, please designate your desire on the memo line of your check or attach a note to your gift indicating your wishes.

Music Department

In years past, one of the ways in which members and friends have remembered loved ones was to purchase new music for the choir as a memorial dedicated to that special someone. If you would like to remember or honor someone special with a memorial gift of music, please contact the church office for details on how you can underwrite the purchase of new material for our growing music program.

Youth Program

Our Youth program is thriving! One way that you can support this growing ministry in our church is by providing a meal for one of the weekly youth group meetings. The average cost to feed the group is \$40, but any and all gifts are appreciated!

Youth Trip Fund

Each summer, our Youth take a vacation trip. We have traveled to many different locations like Magic Springs, Silver Dollar City, Six Flags and even Disneyworld! Our youth really look forward to this trip each year, and work hard fund-raising year round to help cover the costs of the trip. However, the cost of travel, food and lodging can be expensive. Your gift would go a long way to help offset these costs!

Memorial Bricks

There have been a number of recent requests for memorial bricks on the sidewalk leading to our North entrance. If you have thought about making a lasting memorial to someone dear, now is a wonderful time to purchase a memorial brick with their name permanently inscribed. The cost for each brick is \$65. If you would like to buy a memorial brick, please call the church office to request an order form. Please submit the information you wish to appear on the memorial brick with your check. Text must not exceed three lines of more than 15 characters (including spaces) per line. Bricks can be given in honor of a loved one, as well.

New Van Fund

We have started a fund to purchase a new church van. As you may know, the air conditioning in the old van no longer works and it is awkward for many of our older members to get in and out of, thus our determination to purchase a different mode of transportation for the church. All contributions to this fund are welcomed and appreciated. Gifts may be made in memory or honor of a loved one.





The newsletter deadline for the **July** issue of **Central Scene** is **Monday, June 20**. Please turn in all articles, announcements, and meeting dates to the church office by the end of the day.



"Dad, can you make dinner for me and my entire Sunday school class?"

Important Dates June

- 05 **Guest Pastor:** Al Henager
- 12 *Day of Pentecost*
Pentecost Offering received
- 14 **PW Brunch @ Trinity Village** - 10 a.m. - Trinity Village Great Hall
- 19 *Father's Day*
3rd Sunday Fellowship Luncheon - following worship
Session - following luncheon - conference room
Youth Trip: Branson, MO
- 20 **Newsletter Deadline**
- 22 Youth Return
- 26 **Guest Pastor:** Catherine Allsbury

June

Youth News

Many thanks to Laura Cosner for putting together the trip to the Arts & Science Center presentation of "The Jungle Book" attended by our youth on May 21. A great time was had by all! Thanks again to our youth, chaperones, and everyone who made this event a great success!

We are packing our bags and loading up the van as the Youth will be taking their annual Youth Fun Trip. We will leave following the potluck luncheon on June 19, and return on June 21. We are heading for Branson, MO, to visit Branson Landing and Silver Dollar City. We are excited to have this time together and are all looking forward to the trip!!

Watch for more news on upcoming events. We are planning a trip for the youth to the Crater of Diamonds State Park in Murfreesboro, AR, on a Saturday in July. Watch for the sign-up sheet in McElyea Hall. Be sure to watch the July and August issues of the Central Scene and your weekly bulletins for more details.

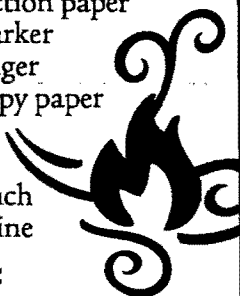
Thanks again for all that have helped with our youth meals. We appreciate your generosity and willingness to share your gifts with our youth!

PENTECOST MOBILE

Make this craft as a reminder that God's Holy Spirit is all around you.

What you need:

- Tissue paper (red, yellow, orange), torn into squares
- Plastic transparency
- Craft glue
- Paintbrush
- Construction paper
- Black marker
- Wire hanger
- White copy paper
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Hole punch
- Fishing line



What you do:

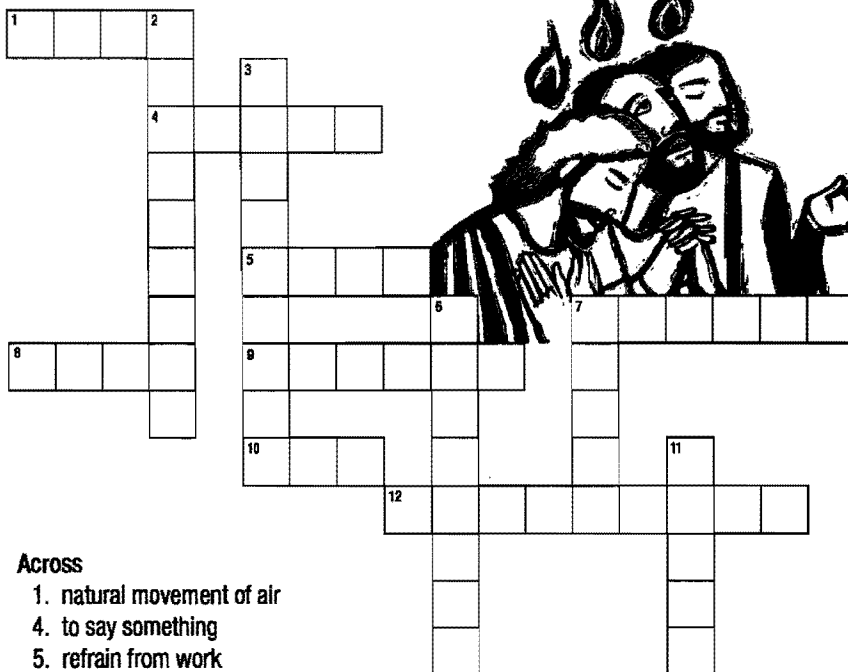
1. Overlap tissue squares as "flames" on the transparency.
2. "Paint" glue (thinned with water) over the squares.
3. Fold construction paper in half. Write out Acts 2:4 at the top, by the fold.
4. Poke the hanger through the middle of the fold.
5. On the white paper, write "Holy Spirit" in English, Spanish (*Espiritu Santo*), French (*L'esprit Saint*), etc.
6. Cut out a flame pattern and trace it on the back of the transparency.
7. Cut out flames and glue the "Holy Spirit" names on them.
8. Thread fishing line through a hole atop each flame and tie flames onto the hanger.



The Spirit Comes

ACTS 2 TELLS ABOUT A SPECIAL DAY WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO THE DISCIPLES.

Use the clues below to complete the crossword puzzle.



Across

1. natural movement of air
4. to say something
5. refrain from work
7. place where God is
8. a combustion or burning that gives light, heat and smoke
9. part of mouth that can taste and lick
10. the time between sunrise and sunset
12. the day the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples

Down

2. followers of Christ
3. moved apart
6. quickly and unexpectedly
7. a building where people live
11. vibrations that travel through the air

Answers: Across 1. wind, 4. speak, 5. rest, 7. heaven, 8. fire, 9. tongue, 10. day, 12. Pentecost; Down 2. disciples, 3. separated, 6. suddenly, 7. house, 11. sound

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08 Bernice Lackey 20 Bill Detmers
11 J. B. Hercher 26 Kay Cromwell
13 David Judkins

Celebrating 
An Anniversary This Month

21 Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Fikes

If you or a family member has been omitted or would like to be added to the Birthday and Anniversary list, please contact the church office.

Lectionary Readings for the Month of June

Thursday, June 2

Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ps. 47 or Ps. 93; Eph. 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Sunday, June 5

7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14; Ps. 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

Sunday, June 12

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 or Num. 11:24-30; Ps. 104:24-34, 35b; 1 Cor. 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21; John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

Sunday, June 19

Trinity Sunday

Gen. 1:1-2:4a; Ps. 8; 2 Cor. 13:11-13; Matt. 28:16-20

Sunday, June 26

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen. 22:1-14; Ps. 13; Rom. 6:12-23; Matt. 10:40-42

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