



The Call

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

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MTCS to feature Thallander, Wilkin on Nov. 7

The Mid-Town Concert Series will present organists Mark Thallander & Bruce Wilkin in concert on Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Thallander is the president of The Mark Thallander Foundation and a former organist for Robert Schuller's Crystal Cathedral. Mr. Wilkin is the organist of the First Baptist Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Joining the program will be pianist Glenda Winkle-Morrow, and the recipients of the Thallander scholarships, Evangel University students Vance Bushong and Hayden Pyle. There are TWO ways to enjoy this performance—in person in Central Christian's spacious sanctuary for a socially distanced live experience, or online at CentralChristianSpringfield.org. The concert is free.

All-Saints Sunday

Please join us this Sunday as we remember the Saints of the church we've lost in the last year.

Worship starts at 9:30 a.m., and will include a time of reflection and observance.

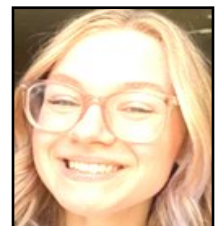


Children, youth outing Dec. 18

The elementary and youth kids will be going to Sight and Sound theatre on December 18th! This will be our first outing since COVID. We are excited to start doing things as a group again, but we still need to be careful. Usually during these outings, we would allow members and their family to join us. This year we are going to have to keep our group small so we can follow COVID guidelines. If you would like to make a donation to help fund this trip, you can put it in the offering plate on Sunday or turn it into the office. Please put **Sight and Sound** in the memo.

New Chancel Choir section leader: MaKenna Wagnon

It is our pleasure to introduce new soprano section leader **MaKenna Wagnon!** MaKenna is a 2019 graduate of Ozark High School in Ozark, Missouri. MaKenna was active in choir in high school singing under the direction of John Wilkins and Amy Brammer. In addition to choral music experience in school, MaKenna sang in the choir of her church, The Road Church in Clever, Missouri. Currently, MaKenna is a student at Drury University where she is double majoring in Secondary Education and Vocal Performance. Upon completing her undergraduate work MaKenna plans on pursuing a master of music degree in conducting and a PhD in musicology. Her ultimate goal is to become a professional conductor, researcher, and a private teacher. In her spare time she likes to play the piano, watercolor, write, and play board games. MaKenna's family includes father Greg, mother Pamela, and brothers Scott and Brian. Both for father and her brother Scott are musicians, Greg played trumpet all through high school and college and Scott is a high school choir director. MaKenna found out about Central Christian Church's section leader ministry through our own Irelynn Holst. Welcome aboard MaKenna!



Congregational Concerns

Bev Vestal	Robert Taylor	Shirley Potter	The family and friends of Phyllis Carlson, on her passing		
Betty Jo Gardner	Greg & Paula Walton	Shirley Musser	Lisa Lynch	Don Nix	Frank & Pat Dodd
Paul & Sharon Martin	Chris Cobb	Hattie Penland	Nan Olmsted	Gary Wright	Glendon Walker
John Thurman	Linda McCoy	Dana Powell	Karen Hahn	James Willingham	Dan Hicks
Diana Criger	Beth Taylor	Lorene Murray	Vicky Claborn	Debra Gleghorn	Jaden Willingham
Rosa Lee Butts	Victoria McIlwain	Karen Sunderwirth	Barb Rossetter	Traci Vargas & children	
Joyce Prince, sister of Wilma Frazier				Isaac Ferguson, friend of Karen Sunderwirth	
Elaine Spradlin, mother of Alyssa Spradlin				Barbara Gard, daughter-in-law of Lorene Murray	
Barbara Richardson, mother of Vicky Claborn				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.**

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Central Christian, Springfield, MO



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**FINANCIALS &
ATTENDANCE**

10/17/2021

General Fund
Contributions: \$9,107.02
Attendance: 74
Online service views: N/A*

10/24/2021

General Fund
Contributions: \$1,914
Attendance: 77
Online service views: 20*

*At the time of publication

Serving Schedule

	<i>Offering</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Fellowship Prep</i>
October 31	Gary Morris	Marilynn West	Kay Parrish	Joe & Kay Parrish
November 7	Dorothy Thurman	Wilma Frazier		Yvonne Erwin & Craig Miller
November 14	Mark Bowdidge	Shirley Musser		Bill & Karen Fischer
November 21	Cheryl Horton	Larry Graham		
November 28	Jim Ferguson	Phillip Brown		
December 5	Luther Young	Joe Pyles		
December 12	Carolyn Deeds	Bill Fischer		
December 19	Everett Deeds	Carol Pyles		
December 26	Dorothy Thurman	Kay Parrish		

MINISTER'S *Message*

The gospel stories are about transformation. The word of God at work in the world. The Holy Spirit at work in the followers of Jesus Christ. We celebrate transformation each time we gather around the Lord's Table. Bread and Wine become for us, in a unique way, the presence of Jesus. We come to the Table wrestling with the complexities of life and leave with the simple assurance of God's abiding love. The financial gifts we offer and bring to the Table become the resources for the ministry and mission of Central Christian Church, here in Springfield and all around the world.

On November 1st we will begin a three-week journey around the Table, considering how we are transformed by our encounter with Jesus in the gifts of loaf and cup. We will learn how the stories that focus on the act of sharing at a table with Jesus can work to inspire us to acts of great generosity. Each Sunday a story from the life of Jesus will focus our attention on how God is at work in us and through us. On Sunday, November 21st, we will have the opportunity as a community of faith to offer our estimates for the investment we feel God is calling us to make to help the church with resources to do God's work, in God's world, among God's people. I hope you will be intentional about not missing a moment of the rich things God has in store for us at Central Christian Church during the Advent Season and the coming new year.

God has done and continues to do remarkable things with us. Your prayers and your participation are keys to helping us get to the next level of discipleship. We know that when the early church gathered, they did so with glad and generous hearts and that there was no need among them (Acts 2). We desire such a spirit to be among us. I look forward to seeing you around the Table, where each week Bread and Cup become Faith and Giving.

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Return Service Requested

Specially prepared for:

Sunday Mornings

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

10:30 am Fellowship

10:45 am Sunday School

Ministry Team

**Bill Fischer, Board Moderator
Rev. Geoff Weinman, Senior Minister
Rev. Alyssa Spradlin, Associate Minister
Dr. Mark Bowdidge, Music Director
Vicky Claborn, Organist
Shirley Musser, Visitation Director
Joyce Thomas, Children's Director
Ken Hillen, Church Caretaker**

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