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Sunday Schedule

Praise Service 8:15 am
Bible Discovery 9:15 am
Traditional Service . . 10:45 am

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The Visitor



It was a beautiful evening in North Central Kansas. My Dad had come in early from the fields and the family had taken the red pickup to the North pasture for a hot dog roast. We had a secluded spot in a pasture that was truly in the middle of nowhere. It took a dirt road followed by a cattle path to get where we were but the reward was a beautiful site behind a pond dam overlooking a quiet creek. We were about to break out the marshmallows when we hear the boom of thunder and felt the first few drops on rain. A summer storm had snuck up on us. My father didn't waste any time and made the call to clean up quick. The dirt road we came in on had a hill...and getting over it while muddy might prove tricky and no one wanted to walk home four miles in the rain. Out of the pasture we raced and down the muddy hill with rain hitting us hard. Across the one lane bridge and while my sister and I sat in the bed of the truck we looked over the cab. Peering through the rain we saw the hill. In normal weather you wouldn't even give it a second thought, but today it looked quite impossible to get up. My Dad hit the base of the hill and we began our climb. At first it looked like we would have no issues and our only problem would be the wet clothes to change when we got home...but then we felt it. The back end of the pickup began to slip out and suddenly we were sideways in the road. If we stopped, we were stuck. You heard my Dad gun the engine and the mud went flying from the back two wheels. Somehow, we were climbing that hill going sideways (I was not of driving age yet, so this trick my Dad was doing was quite magical to me.) Up the last part of the hill we rose with rain falling hard and mud flying fifty feet behind us into a pasture. When we hit the ridge I heard the engine slow down and the back end of the truck settled back into its proper place. We arrive home in minutes not hours and our only issue was wet clothes.

When life sends you sideways the temptation is to stop. Instead we are reminded in scripture to press on! Philippians 3 says strain forward for what lies ahead, press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Your path may get muddy this week. Keep your foot on the gas and press on.
God bless you all...real good

Pastor Scott

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"The vision of Central Christian Church is a community of people committed to Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, united in the love of God, and called to make that love real to others."

**Elder & Deacon
 Ministries**

**MAY
 SCHEDULE**

ELDERS

Worship: John Lamb and Rebecca Nolting

Shut-Ins: Richard & Annette Knudsen
Sub: Sandra Thomas

Hospitals: Tom Bregar

DEACONS

Preparation 10:45: Donna Miller and Marilyn rupp
Sub: Kim Abernathy

Shut-Ins: Cami Bregar and Thelma Rilling
Sub: Judy Thomas

Table: Tom Bregar (TC), Steve and Marilyn Weidner, Jeffrey Nolting, Grant Pena, Joel Tuttle, Greg Millard, and Geoff Gabbert
Sub: Charles Graham

SHEPHERDING

Connecting: Judy Thomas **Crisis:** Judy Warren

Shut-Ins: Linda Hawkins **Celebration:** Donna Miller

<u>Giving Report</u>	<u>APRIL</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
General Giving	\$ 15098.00	\$ 77,252.88
Budget	\$ 20,896.00	\$ 85,583.00
Loose Change	Cooperative Care	\$ 128.69
Loose Change	Migrant Bags	\$ 103.78
	May	Vacation Bible School



Congratulations to the following graduates.

Ali Bregar Ali will graduate from Pueblo County High School. Her activities and accomplishments while there include: 4-time academic letterman, 4 years playing Volleyball (3 year letterman), 4 years in the FFA program (3 year letterman), achieved State Degree which is the second highest achievement in the FFA organization. Ali's musical talents include playing several string instruments and shares her talents with the church's praise band. Ali's future plans are to attend Otero Junior College to pursue a degree in Animal Science. While there she will be on the college's Volleyball team. Ali is the daughter of Brian & Beck Bregar, and granddaughter of Larry & Barbara Whiteley and Tom and Nancy Bregar.

Jonathan Fox Jonathan will graduate from Pueblo West High School. While attending High School he is also concurrently enrolled at Pueblo Community College. His activities and accomplishments include participating on the Men's Golf Team, and member of Pueblo County Sheriff's Explorer Program. He has been inducted into the National Honor Society, Phi Theta Kappa, and the National Society of High School Scholars. Jonathan's future plans are to transfer to UCCS to obtain a Bachelor Degree in Criminal Justice. Jonathan is the son of Jeff Fox.

Kieran Miller Kieran is graduating this year from the School of Engineering and Biomedical Sciences at Pueblo County High School. During his four years at PCHS, Kieran has been involved in and served as Vice President of the Drama Club, and has also competed as a member of County's Knowledge Bowl team. This summer, he will be working for a second year as a camp counselor at YMCA Camp Jackson in Rye, CO, and is looking forward to taking a year off from school before determining a final path for his future. He is considering enlistment with the military with an eye towards completing an architectural engineering program. He loves being outdoors, hiking, cycling, and being with his friends, and considers himself lucky to have been a part of the CCC Pueblo and CRMR DOC families for most of his life. Kieran is the son of Brian and Maggie Miller.

Christopher Powell Christopher received a Master's Degree in Music Performance from UNC - Greeley. Chris is the son of Julie Powell and grandson of Ruth Anne Pearce and the late Bill Pearce.

Sawyer Versaw Sawyer will receive a Bachelor's of Music with a Business Emphasis from UNC - Greeley. After graduating he will be moving to Washington to pursue a career in Music Audio Production. Sawyer is the grandson of Mary Copeland.

Zach Thomas Zach will receive an Associates of Science degree from Otero Junior College. He will graduate Cum Laude and was inducted into the academic honor society Phi Beta Kappa. Zach will continue his education at a University in Colorado but has not decided which one yet. Zach is the son of Jeff and RoseAnna Thomas, and the grandson of Bill and Judy Thomas.



Central Christian Church would like to welcome the following new members. These four were baptized and joined the church during Easter Services:

Skyler and Michelle Long; Kyle Marcus; Benjamin Bregar

Also joining the church since Easter is:

Sharon McGraw

Please welcome these new members when you see them !



Each year Central Christian Church has joined Church Women United in preparing migrant bags for the children of the summer migrant workers. Our Women's ministry team has already started sewing, filling and collecting the bags, with the help of the congregation. This ministry will continue through the month of May, with completion of this project June 7th.

On June 7th at 9:30 a.m., women from churches throughout Pueblo will gather here at Central Christian Church for the Human Rights Celebration. This is the day when migrant bags are collected from participating Pueblo Churches. Human Rights Day presents an opportunity to recognize and honor those serving the migrant community. Representatives from the Migrant Education Program come to share their stories and music. They are honored for their commitment toward human rights.

It is a wonderful time of fellowship and celebration. Refreshments are served and anyone can attend. Please mark your calendar for the June 7, 2019, migrant coffee.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



THE ADVENTURE BEGINS - JULY 8-12, 2019



CCYOUTH HAPPENINGS.....

The Youth are gearing up for two happenings; Summer Camp and Youth Sunday.

Summer camp is called Peace Works this year. Middle school camp runs from June 16-22 and costs \$330.00 per camper. We only have 1 camper attending this one. Her name is Lily Miller. The high school camp runs from June 9-15 and costs \$330.00 per camper. We have several going. I am also directing this camp. We have me, Kyle Langreder, Kieran and Brendan Miller, Cruz Garcia, Ryane and Jacob Williamson, and Madi McKenzie. Our largest fundraiser to help pay for camp is in July when we do ice cream and bingo.

The Youth Group is going to be doing a youth led service on May 19, 2019. Our focus will be on Summer Camp and how it benefits the kids. I have a slide show along with many pictures from camp for the service.

Last year I was appointed on the CRMR Youth Chair for our region, so I have some influence on what goes on and the education for these camps. This is also my second year to be directing the CYF (high school aged) summer camp. I have been to Denver several times for meeting and preparations for our camps we hold in LaForet, Black Forest. I believe in these camps with my heart and soul. I also put a lot of work in them to make them a success for our kids.

Many Blessings, Nicole Langreder, Youth Leader

Thank You!

Thanks to Pastor Scott, Travis Williams, Bill Thomas, Ron and Shannon Fair for their help with the fallen tree removal from the recent wind storm. We would also like to thank Larry Whiteley with his help in removing the carpet from the Youth Group room. Many hands make light work!

Jeffrey & Rebecca Nolting

Jeffrey & Rebecca Nolting would like to thank everyone who helped with the Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service and Easter-the readers, food preparers, set up and clean-up crews, dish washers, flower donations, musicians, and anyone else who helped make these services run smoothly.



Greetings Central Rocky Mountain Region Disciples Family,

I am writing to invite you to prayerfully consider participating in something we haven't done together, as Region, in a while: a Regional Mission Trip. I am also writing to ask you to share information about this opportunity with others: others in your congregation and other outside your congregation.

A decade ago, the Central Rocky Mountain Region produced a document called "A Future Story for the Central Rocky Mountain Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)". We've been working together as a Region to live into that story ever since. Our shared future story calls us to do many things. Among them, we are called to create and provide "region-wide mission trips and service projects...to raise awareness about local, national and global justice issues and how individuals and congregations can get involved."

As the Region's Vice Moderator, I am working with a team of people to create and provide such opportunities. More importantly, I'm working to invite you to consider how God calls you to get involved. This year, we're working on two specific opportunities: one within the Region, and one outside the Region.

Today I am writing to share with you information about the local mission trip/service project. On June 3-June 7, we will travel to the South Hills Retreat Center outside Twin Falls, Idaho, to help make improvements to and prepare for opening (for this season) this scenic campground supported by the CRMR. By participating in this mission/work trip, you will be making a difference in the lives of every person who seeks to encounter God at this Christian campground this year and in years to come! Please take a look at the attached flyer and registration forms, post the flyer and forms around your church building, pray about God's call to you regarding mission, and talk with as many people as you can about this opportunity. We need as many participants as we can find. Please register by May 15.

Blessings,
Rev. Brad Barton,
Vice Moderator, CRMR

{Please contact the church office for information and registration forms. Or, go to
<http://www.cmrdoc.org/regional-life/regional-mission-trips/>}



Garden of Prayer

Please pray for these "flowers" (people) that are a part of the beautiful "bouquet" that makes us family at Central Christian Church. God knows each special need.

Irene Shumake & Family	Pat Craig	Kathy Scott	Charlie Ferris
Joshua Spence and Jim Reedy's Family	Dan Miller	Wes & Donna Stratman	Matthew & Jenna Barren
Dorothy Winters, Aimee Tihonovich and Family	Harry & Ruth Ann Voss	Genette Mercer	Norma Blodgett
Tiffany, Kyle, and Adalyn Marcus & Family	Tom Whaley	Donna Young	Ruth Cannon
Mickey, Tom, Chellee and Price Family	Sandy Bidwell	Leslie Cordes	Bud Daniel
Pat & Wilber Thomas	Joyce Hill	Delpha Melton	Martha Tuttle
Mary Robertson & Family	Mariellen Dibble	Ruth Abernathy	Lee Summers
Steve Hansen	Steve & Janet Pena	Diane Olson	Vicki Minor
Charlotte Garnett	Ruth Anne Pearce	Robin French	Betty Kurtz
	Jeanne Cacciatore	Sharon Ross	Board Chair & Members
	LaVerne Shannon	Vicki Minor	Elders & Deacons
	Paula Maine	Chris Daugherty	Pastor Scott Schurle
	Colleen Goff	Riley Alton	

1 - Christian & Ann Warren
4 - Tyson & Brittany Pena
7 - Mike & Reba Harriman
11 - John & Renea Carter

11 - Ian & Brigitte Alton-Star
16 - Don & Rose Ellis
21 - Ron & Sandy Bidwell
30 - Terry & Linda Hawkins



1 - Pat Mutz
Jovanna Robertson
2 - Kendra Doherty
3 - Brandon Goodrich
Brenden Miller
6 - Sierra Wolff
7 - Shirley Egley
Michael Tihonovich

8 - Ivestine White
10 - Steve Weidner
Tom Whaley
Zoi Langreder
11 - Katie Wellesley
12 - Susan Marsh
14 - Alison Bregar
Fred Davis
Rachel Schurle
15 - Ron Goodrich
16 - Raelene Wilson
Ridge Swearingen
17 - Jason Fox
Nancy Cox

17 - Kathy Farley
18 - Keeley Thomas
21 - Christie Frost
Donna Walker
22 - Jonathan Fox
24 - Angela Bird
25 - Cami Bregar
Charles Hood
Dan Chamberlain
Sandy Marcen
Betty LaVan
Shane Harmon
30 - Mark Schmidt



2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 9 am Women's Ministry Board Meeting 9:30 Stitches 5:15 Bells 6 pm Choir	2 10 am Strength Train	3 2 pm Woodworkers OFFICE CLOSED	4 9 am Garden Team
5 8:15 am Praise Worship 9:15 am Sunday School 10:45 am Traditional Worship Fellowship Hall Reserved	6 9 am Team Meeting 10 am Team Meeting 6 pm 2020 Vision	7 10 am Strength Train 11 am Prayer Group 2:30 TLC Group Gym Reserved	8 9:30 am Women's Ministry Day Group 5:00 Men's Vocals 6 pm Choir	9 10 am Strength Train	10 2 pm Woodworkers OFFICE CLOSED	11 9 am Garden Team
12 MOTHER'S DAY 8:15 am Praise Worship 9:15 am Sunday School 10:45 am Traditional Worship	13 6 pm Board Meeting 7 pm Compassionate Friends	14 10 am Strength Train 11 am Prayer Group 2:30 TLC Group Gym Reserved	15 9:30 Stitches 5:00 Men's Vocals 6 pm Choir	16 10 am Strength Train	17 2 pm Woodworkers OFFICE CLOSED	18 9 am Garden Team Fellowship Hall Reserved
19 8:15 am Praise Worship 9:15 am Sunday School 10:45 am Youth Sunday	20	21 10 am Strength Train 11 am Prayer Group 2:30 TLC Group 7 pm Women's Ministry Evening Group Gym Reserved	22 9:30 Stitches 5:00 Men's Vocals 6 pm Choir	23 10 am Strength Train	24 2 pm Woodworkers OFFICE CLOSED	25 9 am Garden Team
26 NO PRAISE SERVICE 9:15 am Sunday School 10:45 am Traditional Worship	27 MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED Ministry Reports & Newsletter Deadline	28 10 am Strength Train 11 am Prayer Group 2:30 TLC Group Gym Reserved	29 9:30 Stitches 5:00 Men's Vocals 6 pm Choir	30 10 am Strength Train	31 2 pm Woodworkers OFFICE CLOSED	1-Jun 9 am Garden Team Building Reserved