

the Clarion

Of Central Christian Church (DOC)



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HERE'S TO FALLING
LEAVES, CRISP
BREEZES, AND THE
TRANQUILITY OF
AUTUMN. HAPPY
SEPTEMBER.

September 2026

HOLDING IN PRAYER.....

Everyone dealing with the aftermath of floods, here in Indiana and elsewhere.

Abby & Karlie Abel in their journey to become parents.

Amy Adelsberger Bosley & her family. Amy has been close to Sharon & Frank Crist for many years. She has started radiation treatments as a precaution to ensure breast cancer does not return.

Brian Bennett, Mary Jo Brown's grandson, was told this summer that his lung function has improved after taking new meds. Please pray that Brian will continue to do well on these meds.

S. Ann Casper as she continues to recover from injuries sustained in a fall earlier this summer.

Miles Cooley, Kathy Iliff's brother, as he goes through a difficult time in his life. Pray also for Kathy and all who love Miles.

Rick Dennis as he is still dealing with his heart being in afib. Pray for Rick as he hopes to get in to see a new cardiologist in September.

Jill Erickson-Houser, a very close friend of the Zelensky family. Jill's mother, Cindy, is recovering from a number of strokes, and her father, Bill, whose heart is failing.

Marilyn Fisher, her family & friends

Jeanne & Chuck Frost as they both recover from pneumonia.

Susan Goode as she recovers from a fracture in her foot.

John Henderson as he recovers from a hairline fracture in his arm.

Melanie Hurst & Twyla Edinburgh as Melanie continues PT on her hand.

Sherrie & Greg Mansfield as Sherrie has knee replacement surgery on September 23.

Please report items for the prayer list to the church office and to Rev. Zelensky

Due to Patient Privacy Laws, hospitals are no longer able to contact pastors if a church member is admitted for treatment. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please call the church office or Rev. Rebecca.

Jack Merkle, adult son of Larry & Margaret Merkle, as he has tests and consults specialists for seizures. Please pray for Jack to find answers quickly and for Jack, Larry & Margaret to feel comfort and reassurance during this time.

Mary Beth Mullen as she consults with a doctor on September 10. Please pray for Mary Beth to receive the best advice and treatment for her.

Virginia Myles, Leatha Waugh's mom, as she hopes to return home after rehab at a nursing facility.

Bill Oram, Jacquie Bradfield's brother, as he finishes the last chemo infusions of 12. Bill is weak and fatigued but trying to rest and keep up his nutrition. Please pray that his body responds as he and his doctors hope he will from treatment.

Bill & Linda Phillips; Bill is home in South Carolina after receiving chemo & radiation treatments for a glioblastoma. Bill is a father figure to Jenna Sagraves Howell.

Elizabeth Reid, Chuck & Jeanne Frost's granddaughter.

Karen Sagraves as she returns for another scan in September to check lymph nodes. Please pray for very good results and for Karen and her loved ones to feel positive.

Lois & Roger Schultz. Lois' oncologist is confident that what showed up on her recent lung scans is the result of radiation and not new masses. The doctor will continue to watch her condition closely.

Angie Snow, a friend of Kim Faught, as she deals with a number of health concerns.

Paul & Paula Switzer as Paul continues to be treated for a serious leg infection.

Andrea & Randy Todd; Andrea recently had a tumor removed from her kidney. She has also received a steroid shot in her lower back to ease severe pain.

Clara Zulu as she wraps up time with extended family in Lexington, KY and returns to Terre Haute before flying home for good.

Congratulations to **Briley & Julianna Ervin Scholdlatz** who were married on August 1!

"God calls Central Christian Church to be a welcoming and open faith community where Christian love, action, and discipleship unite."

Vision Statement of Central Christian Church (DOC),
Terre Haute, IN

Sunday, September 27 Worship at the Park!!

Join us at Deming Park, Lions Shelter 1 at 10:30 a.m. (NOTE the time) as we rejoice and praise God for the gift of Air.



Kids Club next meeting will be Sunday, Sept 27 after worship in the park. Kids club will be Noon—1:00 PM.

If you can't make the service/picnic, bring your kids at Noon. You may join us with your kids or leave them with us for Kids Club.

It will be GREAT FUN!!.

Thanks, Jessica and Phil

Christian
KIDS CLUB

Social Justice Opportunities

*God, Gay's and They's: 2nd Saturday of the month, Pride Center
- 630 Wabash Ave

5:00PM - 7:00PM



September Worship at Central Christian (DOC)

We will begin September with a focus on stories in the first part of the book of Exodus. These texts tell of Moses' rescue as a baby, his encounter with the God of his ancestors and his call to lead the Hebrew people out of slavery to liberation and new life. This mini series is entitled, ***Exodus: The Drama Continues.***

Starting Sunday, September 20, we will embark on our annual Fall **Season of Creation**. Joining many Christians across the globe, we will reflect on God's blessings of creation, in particular in the gifts of water, air, earth and fire.

As part of our creation series, we will celebrate **Worship in the Park**, on **Sunday, September 27, starting at 10:30 a.m.** at Lions Shelter 1 in Deming Park (on the left side of the road as you drive through the park). Bring a lawn chair if you do not want to sit at a picnic bench/table. As we would love to extend our fellowship together that day, we encourage all our members and friends to stay for lunch! See the Disciples Women Article for details.

According to the best and most recent studies, people visit a church and become active in a church when **someone invites them**. Invite someone!!

The Disciples Women have been busy making plans. We have events for our group and for our church family. We know we have busy people in our congregation so we are sharing our calendar until the end of the year. We are still working on a couple of things that may be added later.

Our Worship Ministry has planned Worship in the Park for Sunday, September 27 at Deming Park. Prior to COVID, we shared a carry-in meal after the service. We always enjoyed the meals and would like to do that again. The Disciples Women will furnish chicken and noodles, bottled water, paper goods, and plastic silverware. We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please bring a serving utensil for your dish as we won't be able to grab one from the church kitchen. If you want a drink other than bottled water, please bring your drink.

The next day, September 28, the Disciples Women are meeting at Mary Beth Ripple's lake house. We had such a good time in July that we are going again. We meet at 6:00pm. Mary Beth will provide the entrée. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Weather permitting, we hope to take a boat ride on the lake. Please let Susan Edmondson know if you plan to attend. Susan can provide directions.

Our next two monthly meetings will be October 26 at the Olive Garden Restaurant and November 30 at Monical's Pizza East. November is a week later than usual due to Thanksgiving. Bring a friend and join us.

We have already planned our holiday events! Mark your calendars so you don't miss anything. More information will be given closer to the events. Holiday events are as follows:

December 10, 6:00pm - Disciples Women Christmas Dinner at M. Mogger's Restaurant

December 13, 4:00pm - Semi-Progressive Dinner at Central Christian Church

December 19, 9:30am - Prepare Cookies Trays at Central Christian Church

December 20, 11:00am - Sell Cookie Trays after worship at Central Christian Church

All women of the church are invited to join us for our monthly meetings. We generally meet at 6:00pm on the fourth Monday of the month. Please reach out to us if you are interested and have questions.

Most of our other events are family events and everyone is welcome. Our Worship in the Park meal and Semi-Progressive meal are for everyone. We hope you will join us for these events.

Submitted by Theresa Vaughn





INDIANA DISCIPLES

REGIONAL

Assembly

BUILDING TOGETHER IN LOVE

EPHESIANS 4:16

From him the whole body,
joined and held together by
every supporting ligament,
grows and builds itself up in
love, as each part does its work.

Register Now



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

AVON CHRISTIAN CHURCH



**REV. KORY
WILCOXSON**
Clergy Retreat



THE MANY
All Assembly
Concert

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

GEIST CC - PROMISE RD.



**REV. DR. TRACI
BLACKMON**
Keynote Speaker



**REV. DR. JOSE
MORALES**
Bible Lecturer



2026 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATE FORUMS

STATE LEGISLATURE
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
6-7:45PM

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL & COUNTY COMMISSIONER
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
6-7:45PM

VIGO COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
6-7:45PM

*All events in the basement meeting rooms of the Vigo County Public Library

*Forums will be live streamed on the Vigo County Public Library's YouTube channel

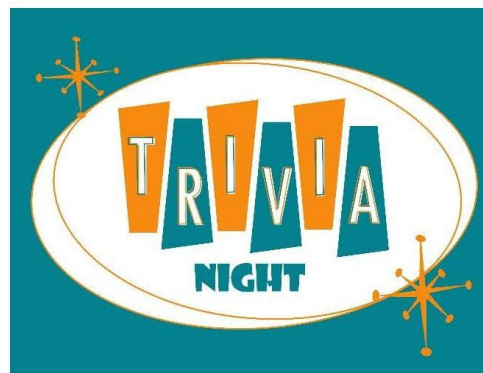
Forums are co-sponsored by the Greater Terre Haute Branch of the NAACP, Vigo County Public Library, Terre Haute Tribune-Star, & Terre Haute Wabash Valley Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

CCC's Koinonia Fellowship Ministry
is making plans for the following events!

Pride Fest—October 3

Trivia Night—November 13

Yard Sale—Spring 2027





(Honey Creek Middle School)

HCMS FOOD DRIVE

SEPTEMBER 3RD-
SEPTEMBER 27TH

FOOD COLLECTED WILL BE DONATED
TO HCMS'S BACKPACK PROGRAM

- Canned Goods (Soup, Vegetables, Meat, Pasta, Fruit)
- Individual Fruit Cups/ Applesauce
- Oatmeal Packets
- Juice Boxes
- Individual Bags of Chips
- Individually Wrapped Sweets
- Ramen
- Mac and Cheese
- Rice
- Granola Bars



Interfaith Council of the Wabash Valley

Invites you to come Vigil with Us!

"LOVE, PRAY, VOTE"

Sunday, September 27, 2026: 4-5 PM

**Vigo County Courthouse Plaza
(between Courthouse and the City Hall).**

Join neighbors for an Interfaith Prayer Vigil,
reminding each other of the privilege, responsibility and importance of voting!

Pray for and encourage peaceful voting,
support the spirit of respect for varying points of view!

Interfaith Council of the Wabash Valley

For more information please contact the following:

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Outreach Update

We continue our year-long collection of white, jasmine and Basmati rice for United Campus Ministries' Food Pantry.

Our Mobile Pantry Food Distribution has continued to grow to be a success! In August we served 30 families and 102 individuals. Families were also offered free school supplies thanks to our wonderful congregation who donated all the wonderful supplies!

We also continue to have upwards of 20-25 volunteers each month. The hearts of Central Christian Church (DOC) are overflowing with love and generosity. Thank you to all who continue to pray, donate, and volunteer with us. Volunteers can sign up at the Outreach table. Do you want to help, but can't volunteer!? Please share the Mobile Pantry Flyer . The flyer can be placed at any willing businesses, libraries, churches, etc. !

Submitted by Olivia Thurmond







Photos by Sharon Crist

Mobile Pantry

Food Distribution

Central Christian Church (DOC)

4950 Wabash Avenue
Terre Haute, IN, 47803

Second Monday of Every Month
4:00pm to 5:00pm

All Are Welcome.



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Terre Haute



Catholic Charities
Foodbank



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Rebecca's Revelation

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ! A chapter in, *If God is Love, Don't Be a Jerk*, the book the Adult Sunday school class is discussing, focuses on prayer. I appreciate what the author writes regarding prayer, even though I have some other thoughts about this spiritual practice.

Prayer can be understood and practiced in lots of ways. For me, it is intentional time/space to be with God. I try to make time and space for those relationships in my life that are important and I feel strongly that I need to do the same with my relationship with God.

Sometimes my prayer is sitting quietly and simply acknowledging God's presence with me. Sometimes it is reading a passage of scripture or some other kind of writing and reflecting on a word or phrase that stands out to me in those moments. Sometimes it is sharing with God all the individuals and situations that are on my mind and heart.

One of my favorite books on prayer is *In God's Presence* by Marjorie Hewitt Suchocki. She writes, "If we regard prayer as a partnership with, not a manipulation of, God, we can find whole new dimensions in our prayer life." I believe that God is always at work to bring something good or better to us, that God is pure, loving energy. When I share my concerns and hopes for various people with God, I see this as giving God that much more positive energy and goodwill to work with in our lives and in our world.

I take the practice of prayer very seriously. I try to begin every day with prayer, and if I can't pray first thing, I try to schedule time to do so later that day. The prayer ritual I practice most often goes like this:

- I take some deep breaths, picturing God's Holy Spirit filling my lungs/body as I breathe in
- I read 2 short reflections from different daily devotionals
- I read a scripture text
- Depending on the day of the week, I pray for my family & friends; the ministries of which I am apart; every CCC member or friend; all those included on our church prayer list

How do you understand prayer? What things do you do as part of your practice of prayer/relationship with God? I can always offer some (additional) suggestions if you would like to begin a practice of prayer - or try something new.

Always keeping you in prayer,

Rev. Rebecca Zelensky

Starting
September 20
Season of Creation Series



Pictures created by Melanie Hurst

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

4 :: MOSES HAMM
5 :: ADAM CRIST
5 :: ERIKA WALKER
9 :: SUSAN EDMONDSON
10 :: MICHAELA MCKEE
10 :: VIOLET VAUGHN
11 :: TOM GONTHIER
11 :: MANDALYN GRUBB
12 :: PHIL EWOLDSEN
14 :: CLAIRE WILLEY
15 :: CARROLL VASBINDER
17 :: FRANK CRIST
17 :: TREY RICE
20 :: STACIE WHITLEY

22 :: PAIGE JORDAN
24 :: TAMMY BECK
29 :: KYLE WILSON

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10 :: JOHN & MICHELLE MANNING
17 :: KELLY & PATRICK MEYERS
30 :: MIKE & KIMBERLY SCHODLATZ

SEPTEMBER BIRTH FLOWER

Aster



LOVE



WISDOM



ROYALTY

SEPTEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 6:30p Church Use 6-8 VCVC	2 5:30p Bible Study 6:30p Choir	3 10a Choir Rm Use 7p Church Use	4	5 9:30a Mat Makers
6 12:15p Elders Meeting	7 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED 7p Church Use	8 5p F&G 6:30p Church Use 6-8 VCVC 7p Taize @SMWC	9 5:30p Bible Study	10 10a Choir Rm Use 7p Church Use	11	12 9:30a Mat Makers 5-7p God, Gays & Theys @ Pride Center
13 12:15p Worship Team	14 9a Bible Study 4-5p Mobile Food Pantry 5:30p Yoga 7p Church Use	15 6:30p Church Use 6-8 VCVC	16 5:30p Bible Study	17 10a Choir Rm Use 7p Church Use	18	19 9:30a Mat Makers
20 Board Retreat	21 9a Bible Study 5:30p Yoga 7p Church Use	22 Clarion Articles Due 6:30p Church Use 6-8 VCVC	23 5:30p Bible Study 6:30p Choir	24 10a Choir Rm Use 7p Church Use	25 4p Grief Social Group	26 9:30a Mat Makers
27 10:30a Worship in the Park @ Deming Lion 1 CKC 12-1:30 @ park	28 9a Bible Study 5:30p Yoga 6p DW @ Real Mary Beth's Lake House 7p Church Use	29 6:30p Church Use 6-8 VCVC	30 5:30p Bible Study 6:30p Choir			

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We're On The Web
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Worship Services
9:30 AM

Sunday School for
all ages 11 AM



May your September be filled
with love, blessing,
and healing

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September