

*Easter Sunday
April 4, 2021*

CENTRAL LIFE

Central Presbyterian Church

April 7, 2021

Thank You...

Thank you goes to all those who made the Palm/Passion Sunday worship and the Easter Sunday worship a success. Many people were working behind the scenes, putting bulletins together, keeping the broadcasts going and monitoring the sound, those who provided the music, those who helped with parking, handling bulletins and other items, and making sure the children's activity bags were assembled. Thank you to:

Bulletin and Worship assembly: Diane Abbey, Barbara Mann, and Lynn Gilbert.

Sound Production: Mike Vollmer, Ed Updyke, Robert Campbelle, Jack Wagner, and Rob Hollo.

Set Up and Moving Equipment: Jack Wagner, Rob Hollo, Jay Hall, Robert Campbelle, Ann Aichinger, Lee Budd, and Mike Vollmer.

Traditional Music: Joy Briggs and Robert Campbelle.

Praise and Worship Band: Jack Wagner, Rob Hollo, Jay Hall, Savannah McCord, Ann Aichinger, Josie Russell, Jenna Wagner, and Katherine Campbell.

Parking Lot Staff: Lois Clarke, Larry Clarke, Nancy Kiser, Ken Hale, Cindy Hale, Niki McGrew, Joan and Jim Keith, Marguerite Buckley, Sandy Wilson, and Donnie Spurell.

Sanctuary Choir: Tim Landis, Ann Landis, Linda Waldron, Jim Keith, Joan Keith, Robert Campbelle, Susan Campbelle, Jeanie Franklin, Tyler Franklin, and Mike Ellis.

Fellowship and Dining for Treat Bags: Trish James, Wes Ritchie, Barbara Mann, and Mary Moffatt.

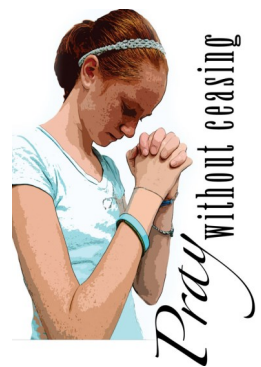


At Home: Bob and Becky Ingram, Bob Stuart, and Bessie Kitts.
At Brookdale Bristol: Carol Duhaime, Jean Thomason, and Mary Kay English.
At Dominion Senior Care: Hugh and Linda Wise

Pastoral Concerns:

Jean Bane is at Abingdon rehab center for about 2 weeks and then she will move to Elmcroft Care facility;
Joan Keith as she recovers from her cataract surgery;
Marguerite Buckley will be having hand surgery on April 23;
Terri Surber will be having her second cataract surgery soon;
Eleanor Rampe is dealing with some health concerns, and will be having heart surgery late April in Roanoke;
Doris Crabtree is struggling with her health, and will eventually have back surgery;
Bob Ingram is dealing with severe back issues;
Allen Vance is home and doing well;
Courtney Reese as she continues to seek help with her MS;
Bob Stuart as he is at home and dealing with health issues;
Joy Briggs and her husband, Guy, and his health concerns;
Don Miller, as he continues to deal with health concerns;
Mark McCord as he continues toward a kidney transplant;
Vickie Salyer and family, as several members are dealing with the CoVID virus and others with health concerns.

Please call the church office (276-669-3157) with any pastoral concerns, and please feel free to contact Ann Aichinger or any of the Elders through email, Facebook, or by phone.



Memorials...

To the Memorial Fund in Memory of Bill English, given by Ronald B. Schoenhardt.

To the Music Fund in Memory of Bill English, given by Nancy Arnold, Jean Thomason, Rich and Jane Buddine, Riley Covin, Cindy Boyd, Harry and Betty Anne Shotwell and Family, and Ed and Verle Sutphin.

To the Music Fund in Memory of Sam Wagner, given by Steve and Vickie Clark.

To the Service Fund in Memory of Sam Wagner, given by Ann Aichinger.

To the TV/Computer Fund in Memory of Daphne McCord and Bill English, given by Archer Parsons.

Continue in Prayer for renewed health and strength for...

John and Linda Barker and their family, Bobby Davis, Alice Owenby, Coleen Wheeler, Randy Broyles, and Jim Matson.



Due to the area's recent 911 system upgrade, many of us will have an address change. This change will become effective on May 1, 2021. As a result, this change has prompted us to begin work on a new church directory. Even though you have mail delivery for up to one year at your current address, making the address change now will benefit all of us as we move forward.

We are asking that those of you who will be affected by the address change to please let the church office know your new address as soon as you can so that there will be no interruption in receiving any church-related correspondence, newsletters, financial statements, and notices.

Please send your new address information to office.cpc@bvu.net and include:

1. Name 2. Old Address 3. New Address

This is a great time to update phone numbers, email addresses, and any other information. We will work on updating this information throughout the summer, but don't delay....take care of this **today!** Thank you.

Food Pantry...

Thank you to all who donate to the Bristol Emergency Food Pantry here at the church. Your donations are greatly appreciated, and welcomed by the Pantry, and those who receive.

It has come to our attention that half-used items have been donated, or perhaps it is thought that the Food Pantry barrel is a trash can. Please remember to donate only non-perishable, non-expired, and non-opened items to the Pantry. The best way to decide what to donate is to think of what "basics" you would want to eat if you were hungry and in need. Thank you.



Welcome to our New Member!



We welcome into our church fellowship, Marguerite Buckley. She officially joined Central in March, and we welcomed her at the April 4 Easter Sunday Service. Marguerite comes to us by Reaffirmation of Faith and has been a part of Central since last February, 2020. Her contact information is in the current church directory.

Marguerite has been getting actively involved in a variety of ways in the life of Central already! Please remember to introduce yourself to her when you see her, and be sure to let her know your name so she can get to know us better.

Thank You...

"Thank you for your prayers and support. Please keep me on your prayer list. I have a lot of back problems.

Thank you."

Jean Bane

April 11	Touching the Scars	John 20:19-31
April 18	Fitting Easter into Life	Luke 24:36b-48
April 25	Brian Alderman, guest preacher and worship leader	
May 2	Brian Alderman, guest preacher and worship leader	
May 9	From Generation to Generation	Exodus 1:15-2:10, 2 Timothy 1:1-7

Ann Aichinger will be taking two weeks of vacation from April 22 - May 5. If you have an urgent need to speak with her, you will be able to reach her on her cell phone. Dr. Brian Alderman will be leading worship and preaching the two Sundays that she is away. These worship services will be available online at CentralPresBristol.org.

While Ann is away, if there are any concerns or questions, you are asked to please call the church office and Ann will be notified.



Join us for Wonderful Wednesdays in April on ZOOM. We will have time to chat and catch up on life as well as spend time in prayer, and have time of discussion and study. We are discussing _____ . Our lessons will be:

The invitation and access for each of the Wednesday gatherings on Zoom is as follows: Join Zoom Meeting

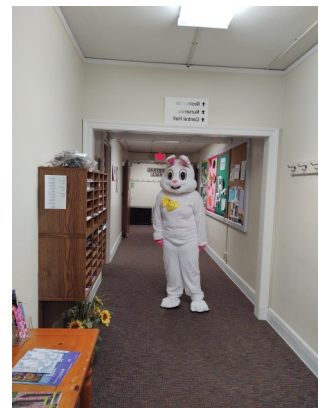
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Meeting ID: 896 5760 3909 Passcode: 252722

(If you have trouble getting into the meeting each week, please text Pastor Ann.)



The Easter Bunny visited Central!



Suggestions for Ruling Elders - Class of 2024

The Nominating Committee is preparing to meet. Five ruling elders for the Class of 2024 are needed. You may make your suggestions for the church officers by listing their names on this form. On the 2021 Nominating Committee are John Barker (Chair), Nancy Kiser, Nancy Arnold, Barbara Mann, Barbara Oakley, William Wampler, and Maddie Harris. **Nominations are due by Monday, April 12 to the church office.** Please consider the words from our Book of Order.

Ruling Elders - Ruling Elders are elected by the people. Ruling Elders should be persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. Ruling elders are so named not because they lord it over the congregation (Matt. 20:25) but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life. Together with Teaching Elders, they exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a particular church as well as the whole church.

Christian prudence in the choosing of church officers also suggests consideration of the following:

1. Does the nominee regularly attend worship?
2. Does this person participate in the programs of the church?
3. Does this person possess leadership abilities?
4. Does this person embrace Presbyterian Church government?
5. How long has this person been a member of this congregation?
6. Has this person previously served satisfactorily as an elder or deacon in the PCUSA?

RULING ELDERS NOW SERVING:

Class of 2021: John Barker, Lois Clarke, Nancy Kiser, Donnie Spurell, Jenna Wagner (ineligible for another term)

Class of 2022: Laurel Broadfoot, Don Hagaman, Rob Hollo, Mike Vollmer, Sandy Wilson

Class of 2023: Briggs Allen, Carolynn Anderson, Cindy Hale, Niki McGrew, Wes Ritchie

My suggestion for the office of Ruling Elder of the class of 2024:

My name (optional): _____

Please return to the church office by April 12.

Retuning to In-Person Worship

There has been a great acceptance of the parking lot services on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, and many of you have asked about when we are going to in-person worship in the Sanctuary and in Central Hall. The Worship Committee and Session are working on the plan for in-person worship, and how best to do that in order to maintain safety for everyone involved. There are a few things (listed below) that we still need to continue doing both as individuals and as a community.

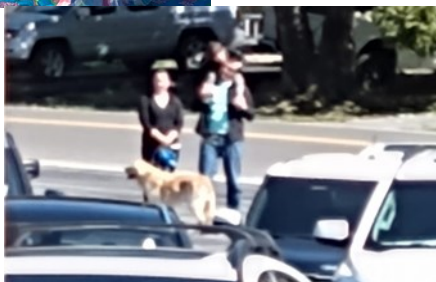
- * **Wear masks and wear them correctly.** That means that your mouth and your nose are to be covered. There needs to be three layers of material in your facemask,. One test to see how effective the mask is, is to try to blow out a lit candle. If you can blow out a candle, then the mask needs to be thrown away or put away for a Halloween costume. Gaiters and bandanas **do not** meet the requirement for a mask. You may say that wearing a face covering is uncomfortable. It can be, and it is different, but many people wear them 8-10 hours a day including our school children and youth. We have been wearing face coverings for a year, and there is no reason you should forget to wear them. At this point, face coverings and masks are going to be a part of our lives for a while longer. So...get into the regular routine of having and wearing one, for they will be required in the church as a part of our in-person gatherings.
- * **Hugging and greeting.** At the parking lot services there were some people who were out and about hugging and greeting one another. Just know that though hugs and personal, up-close greetings is much desired and part of our human nature, this will be restricted for the time being. We will seek to maintain **physical distancing** while being able to speak to one another. We will have to learn to give air hugs, air high fives, or elbow bumps. At this point, physical contact is still somewhat questionable in maintaining a low spread of the virus.
- * **Hand sanitizer.** We will have hand sanitizer for everyone to use. We know that for some people, hand sanitizer is too harsh for their skin. Knowing this, we will ask that those individuals please **wash hands** often.
- * **Vaccines.** Everyone is encouraged and invited to get vaccinated as soon as you are able. Everyone ages 16 years and up is now eligible in both Virginia and Tennessee, and Ballad Health is taking appointments for those interested. After being fully vaccinated, it takes two weeks following the second shot for you to be fully immunized. It is hard to know at this point if we will be having booster shots or if there will be annual shots given, like for the flu.

ALL of this calls us to step up, take the responsibility, and be accountable to the greater community. And as a community of faith, we need to work together to make our time together as safe as we can to continue our in-person gatherings.

Parking Lot Worship on Palm/Passion Sunday----in the midst of dark clouds.



Pictures from Easter Sunday Parking Lot Worship...122 attended!



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How to Keep in Touch:

www.facebook.com/CPCBristol: You do not have to sign-in or log on. Just click “not now” and the site will pop up. Scroll down to find the latest message.

www.CentralPresBristol.org: Click on “View Sermons” then scroll down to see Pastor Ann’s videos for each day.

Options for giving to the work and ministry of Central Presbyterian:

- * You can give in a check, or cash, in the offering plate, dropped by the office, or mailed to:

Central Presbyterian Church
301 Euclid Avenue
Bristol, VA 24201-4013
- * You can give through your online banking to Central.
- * You can set up an automatic deposit from your account; please talk with the Finance Director on how to do this.
- * You can TEXT to **CentralPres** (no spaces and Capital C and P) to **73256**. You will be directed to make your donation through Realm.
- * You can give one time, or regularly, through your **Realm Connect** profile.



Reminder: Please continue to send in your pledges and financial support for Central Presbyterian. Although the church building may not be fully operational, the work and ministry is still happening.

How to contact us:

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Office Hours:

The current office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Please call 276-669-3157 for office hour changes and updates.

