



# *CENTRAL LIFE*

**Central Presbyterian Church**  
**November 3, 2021**

**Daylight Savings Time ends at midnight on Saturday, November 6.**  
**Don't forget to...**  
**Turn your clocks back one hour before you go to sleep!**

## **Trick-or-Treat Event Highlights**



**We had lots of people stop by, and we had lots of FUN!**  
**Thank you Church Family for all of the candy donations that helped to make**  
**this year another success for everyone!!**

*At Home:* Bob and Becky Ingram and Bessie Kitts.

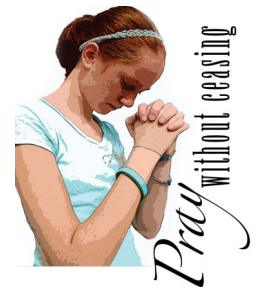
*At Brookdale Bristol:* Carol Duhaime, Jean Thomason, Mary Kay English, and Tom Neel.

*At Dominion Senior Care:* Linda Wise

*At Oakmont:* Allen Vance and Dora Webb

### Pastoral Concerns:

- ♦ Archer's surgery on her eye went well and she is recovering;
- ♦ Vickie Salyer has asked for prayers for her brother and his wife as they are dealing with COVID;
- ♦ Christie Davenport, Lilly, and Rosie are dealing with COVID symptoms;
- ♦ Christie Davenport has asked for prayers for her uncle, Howard, who is in the hospital dealing with serious health conditions;
- ♦ Bill Dennison remains in the hospital with serious health issues;
- ♦ Ivy Ritchie's father will be having vascular surgery on Monday, Nov 8.



### Continued Prayers for:

Linda Barker, Beverly Bosch (Randy and Phyllis Morris' daughter), Joy Briggs, Randy Broyles, Travis Campbell, Doris Crabtree, Maxine Howell, Bob and Becky Ingram, Jim and Joan Keith, Dr. Darlene Litton, Mark McCord, Don Miller, Alice Owenby, Archer Parsons, Allen and Retta Vance, Dora Webb, and Rev. Mike Weller.

*Please call the church office (276-669-3157) with any pastoral concerns. You can also contact Ann Aichinger or any of the Elders through email, Facebook, or by phone.*

### We Extend Our Christian Sympathy to:

*"Blessed are those who die in the Lord;  
they will rest from their labors and their  
deeds will follow them."*

*Revelation 14:13*

**To the family and friends of *Hugh Wise*, who passed away **October 29, 2021** in Bristol, TN. The service of celebration of his life was on **Tuesday, November 2** at the church.**

**To the family and friends of *Carl Galliher, Jr.*, who passed away **October 27, 2021** in Bristol, TN. There was a graveside service for the family on **Saturday, October 30**.**

### Memorials...

*To the Memorial Fund in Memory of Carl Galliher, given by Nancy Neal.*

*To the Memorial Fund in Memory of Robert Jones, Susan Willis, and Betty Keith, given by Jean Thomason.*

### Upcoming Sermons...

November 7	Faithfully Generous	Mark 12:38-44
November 14:	Finishing Strong in Christ	2 Timothy 4:1-8 (Commitment Sunday)
November 21	Christ the King Sunday	John 18:33-37; Psalm 93
November 28	The Gift of Awareness	Luke 21: 25-36





Presbyterian Women will meet on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in the Small Dining Room at the church. We will celebrate our theme for this fall season, "Loving, Living, and Giving. Ann Aichinger will lead the Bible Study lesson from "What my Grandmothers Taught Me," and we will discuss the life of Rahab and her message for us today.

The meeting will be available on Zoom, and is recorded for later viewing. We hope you can join us as we gather for Bible Study and Fellowship.

Co-Moderators,  
Mary Ann Blevins and Thais Sikora

### Join PW Bible Study Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84146926389?pwd=Tyf3ZVZZUzFBeW1lM0lWZ0l4OVBMQT09>

Meeting ID: 841 4692 6389

Passcode: 545123

## Wild Goose Christian Community...

A Special Request From Wild Goose Christian Community: Prayerfully Consider Supporting Wild Goose:

Dear Churches and Individuals of Abingdon Presbytery,

On behalf of the Administrative Commission of the Wild Goose Christian Community in Floyd County, we invite you to become a mission partner with this creative and vital ministry of Wild Goose. Each week, on a Tuesday night, worshipers gather in the quiet countryside of Indian Valley, settle in rocking chairs forming a circle, and work out their own faith in Jesus our Christ. They bring their dreams and questions, reflect upon their spiritual journeys and seek to find meaning and hope in a setting and structure different from traditional "church." Wild Goose revels in welcoming folks who wish to worship and learn and serve in a way differently structured from the traditional Sunday morning practices.

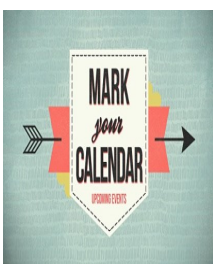
By giving to Wild Goose as a mission partner, you join in this effort to provide a safe and nurturing spiritual environment for inclusive worship with a diverse community of the faithful. As Jesus taught, any gift is a good gift. We ask you to make your gift a regular part of your mission giving – monthly, quarterly, yearly. You can give through our website at [www.wildgoosecc.com](http://www.wildgoosecc.com) and click "GIVE NOW." We also ask your church to pray for us often, and we invite you to visit us on a Tuesday night.

We appreciate your generosity. May God bless all our ministries to be faithful "in a time such as this."

Peace and joy,

Wild Goose Administrative Commission

Co-chair Rev. Hugh Matlack  
Co-Chair Rev. Tony Palubicki



**Sunday, November 28 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Advent Workshop and Christmas Ornaments**  
(this is an outside event so dress warmly!)

**Friday, December 3 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Parent's Night Out Youth Fundraiser** (drop the kids off; You have 2 hours to do what you need to take care of!) Donations will be accepted.)

**Tuesday, December 14 at 6:00 p.m. Journey's End in downtown Bristol**—great event for the whole family!



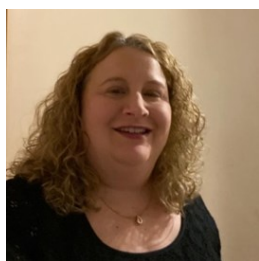
## **Farewell to Becky Widner...**

While I am excited about the opportunities that await me in the future, it is with sadness that I say good-bye. My time at APPLE has been marked by both challenges and triumphs, and I will cherish the friendships I have made along the way. I will always be grateful for the opportunities I have had as Director of APPLE, and I wish only the best for APPLE and know that I leave my position as Director in very capable hands.

Sincerely,  
Becky Widner



## **Hello to Michelle Blankenship...**



I am excited to begin as the new director of APPLE Academy. I am a lifelong resident of Bristol, where I live with my husband Jason, and our youngest son, Preston. We also have an adult son, Nathan that lives nearby in Kingsport.

My journey with APPLE began over 20 years ago when Nathan started in the infant room. I knew at that point that APPLE was a special place that we enjoyed being a part of. Both of my children attended APPLE, we loved the program, and felt like they were very well prepared when it was time for them to begin kindergarten. I joined the APPLE teaching staff in

2014. I began as an assistant in the Nursery 2's classroom and moved upstairs as lead teacher in the Preschool 2's, and also as lead teacher in the Preschool 3's classroom while completing my education. I have been blessed to have worked alongside Becky, as well as learn under her leadership during our time together at APPLE. I cherish the valuable relationships that I have with the children, APPLE families and staff, and I am looking forward to continuing to lead the program into the future.

Michelle Blankenship

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## **Gutter Campaign News...**

We are coming to the end of our 3-year Gutter Replacement campaign, and we are appreciative of everyone's help with this significant repair of the church. This project has stopped the leaks in the Sanctuary, in the Steeple, and in the entry areas. We are very close to being able to pay it off, in full, by December 31, 2021. But there is still about \$3,000 left towards the balance.

If you are able to help us with completing this campaign, please make an end-of-year gift for The Gutter Campaign, and specifically mark your gift for the campaign. Thank you.

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## **Property Clean Up Day...**

The Property and Maintenance Committee will be holding a "Work Day" at the church on Tuesday, November 16th. If you are interested in helping us again this year to clean up the church grounds, please meet us at the church from 9:00-3:00. We will have lots to do both inside and outside of the church. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you!



## Calendar for November 3-17, 2021

Saturday, November 6	<b>Daylight Saving Time ENDS - Turn clocks back 1 hour (before bedtime!!!)</b>	
Sunday, November 7	10:00 a.m.	<b>Worship in person - Central Hall</b>
		ONLINE worship
	<b>11:30</b>	<b>Gathering at Bristol Gardens and Grill</b>
	<b>3:00-4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>ALL Youth – in-person</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Parents Meeting by Zoom
Monday, November 8	7:15 a.m.	Men's Group -Food City on Euclid
Tuesday, November 9	11:00 a.m.	Presbyterian Women - In-person
	6:00 p.m.	APPLE Committee meets at church
Wednesday, November 10	12:00 Noon	Finance Committee meets at church
	5:30-6:00 p.m.	M.S. Youth - Zoom
	6:00-6:30 p.m.	H.S. Youth - Zoom
	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday, November 11	9:00 a.m.	Backpacks
	9:30 a.m.	Abingdon Presbytery meets in Wytheville
Sunday, November 14	10:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary - Commitment Sunday
		ONLINE worship
	3:00-4:30 p.m.	Middle school youth – in-person
	4:30-6:00 p.m.	High school youth – in person
Tuesday, November 16	9:00-3:00 p.m.	Work day at the church - Property Clean Up/
		Christmas Tree Setup
	12:00 Noon	Staff Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday, November 17	12:00 Noon	Central Life published
	5:30-6:00 p.m.	M.S. Youth - Zoom
	6:00-6:30 p.m.	H.S. Youth - Zoom



### Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7:00-8:00 p.m. by Zoom

As we continue to deal with the impact of the pandemic, we still want to have time of Bible study and discussion as well as some prayer time together. So join us by Zoom on Wednesdays for an in-depth look at Psalm 23. Most of us are familiar with this Psalm, but do we really know what it means by "his rod and his staff will comfort me?" Or what is the purpose of the oil anointing my head?

Because we all know this Psalm so well, we often breeze through the psalm without slowing down long enough to rest in the assurance it offers. In this 5-part series on Psalm 23, pastor Matt Chandler introduces us to the great shepherd, the Lord, who promises to provide for every need of his flock. Though only six verses long, this psalm teaches us profound truths about our loving and protective God. By studying Psalm 23, we'll encounter a life-transforming question: Do you trust the Lord to care for your needs?

**Zoom invite: (Used for the 5 weeks of this Study)**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83868128830?pwd=bnVaeHRVVjFUaCtUaEswa2toRGtvZz09>

**Meeting ID: 838 6812 8830      Passcode: 579023**

## New Member...

## Central Life



We extend a warm Central welcome to Zach Baker who joined our church on Sunday, October 24, 2021 by Reaffirmation of Faith. Zach has already joined the choir, and is hoping to be involved in other ministries at Central. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Zach and tell him your name (several times) so that he can get to know you as a friend. Please update your directory with his contact information:

Zach Baker  
115 Orchid Place  
Bristol, VA 24201  
(276) 285-4200  
z2020baker@gmail.com

## Bristol Clothes Closet...

The Bristol Clothes Closet, which gives away donated clothing and household items, is in need of good used sheet sets and towels of all sizes. The Closet is located in the same building as the Bristol Emergency Food Pantry and is part of the Ministry Mall there. You may leave any donations at the church, placing them in or beside the Food Pantry barrels near the office.

## Congregational Gathering ...

Sunday, Nov 7, the Evangelism Committee invites everyone to meet for lunch at the Bristol Gardens and Grill after worship. We will meet there and order from the menu. The menu is barbeque with all of the fixings, and includes their own homemade sauces. If you plan to join us, please call the church office so we can get a basic head count.

This is a time of fellowship, and to share a meal together. (Restaurant does have outdoor heated seating.) The Bristol Gardens and Grill is located at the corner of Vance St. and Randolph St., one block from Euclid Ave near Stonewall Jackson School.

## Parent's Christian Education Zoom Meeting ...

All parents are invited to join Ann Aichinger on Sunday, November 7 at 5:00 p.m. for a Parents Zoom meeting to discuss how we can best do Children's ministries in the coming months. We need your input, so we ask that you join us for about 30 minutes this Sunday afternoon. Below is the Zoom invite, plus, you will receive an email with this information.

If you are unable to attend, we would like to know how we can help you teach the Christian faith in your home as a part of your family's life together. Please contact Ann Aichinger.

**Topic: Christian Education Meeting with Parents**

**Time: Nov 7, 2021 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82977717572?pwd=bit1SGszYkI4dGR5b0szYldLUWJaUT09>**

**Meeting ID: 829 7771 7572**

**Passcode: 969768**

## Fund Raisers for CPC...

### Miniature Nativities - The Story

These miniature nativities are a blending of two traditions in France. Following the French Revolution when religious displays were outlawed, the faithful French simply shrunk their nativities to a size that could easily be hidden. The second tradition is to hide a small prize into a king cake at Epiphany, and often these trinkets were the tiny nativity figures used. Many families in France have pieced together their cherished miniature nativities over the years, by acquiring the figures in their slice of cake.

Last year's selections will be available as well as several new sets to choose from. Nativities are available, and are displayed in the hallway outside the office along with order forms. Please turn your order form into the office with your payment.

Nativities are hand painted, food safe and come in a velvet storage bag. Figures are TINY - less than 1.5" tall.

Perfect for Dorm Rooms, Offices, and small spaces.  
A perfect gift.



## Decorating the Church...



Come join us on **Sunday, November 21**, at 3:00 p.m., as we decorate in and around the church and the Sanctuary and Central Hall with Christmas decorations. We will need help with carrying and setting up the Christmas trees and the other decorations.

If you are interested in helping, please talk to John Dodge or Patty Caldwell, or contact Lynn Gilbert or Mike Vollmer. The more of you we have to help, the easier it will be, and the more fun we will have working together!

## Operation Shoebox...



Operation Shoebox project is underway. Carolynn Anderson is the church coordinator this year and she has shoe boxes available here at the church for pickup. If you are unable to pickup a shoebox at the church, please call or text Carolynn at 423-723-4100 to make other arrangements to get a shoebox. A \$9.00 suggested donation to help defray postage costs for the shoeboxes is greatly appreciated.

**Shoeboxes are due back to the church NO LATER THAN Sunday, November 14.**

## Angel Tree...

Central will be a participating partner in the Angel Tree project this year. The program benefits the children of incarcerated inmates. There is no contact with the inmates, and the children are cared for by caregivers who will receive the gifts from your generous donations. There are 20 children this year who are in need of your support. Please call or text Carolynn Anderson at 423-723-4100 if you are interested in participating or have any questions.



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## How to Keep in Touch:

**[www.facebook.com/CPCBristol](https://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](http://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**  
331 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.

