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Church Life will host our 5th Sunday Lunch on Sunday, June 29 following wor-ship.

This will be a meal of salads (think: pasta, fruit, green, chicken, etc.) and we ask all to bring their favorite salad or dessert to contribute to the meal.

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This is a beloved tradition at Central and always such a fun Sunday, please make plans to attend.

Pentecost Offering will be received on Sunday, June 8. Please mark your contri-bution Pentecost offering if no envelopes are available.

40% of the monies received will be re-tained by Central to encourage, develop and support our youth and also helps the needs of at-risk children. Please help make an impact in the lives of our youth!



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT – Ellie Templeton, Christian Educator

Sunday School updates

Sunday School is paused for the summer. We will resume classes for all ages in September. We will continue to have our Children's Worship lessons following the Children's moment in worship. This will shift for the summer to being held in the preschool playroom downstairs. Children ages 4 through first grade may leave the sanctuary with Ellie or another designated adult to be led downstairs to the space. Children should be picked up in the playroom (room 108) promptly following worship.

Highpoint Youth

Youth Sunday was held at Central on Sunday, May 18. Members of Highpoint Youth lead the worship service and all did a fantastic job. We enjoyed music by Anna Thompson, Brady Thompson and Curtis Ellison. Readings were done by Aspen Kershaw, Cora Glenn, Henry Conner and Ethan Kershaw. Faith Ellison led our Children's Moment. Theo Conner served as Liturgist and Rowyn Holder and Charlie Conner each gave a wonderful homily reflecting on their life at Central.

"Downtown Dive" VBS at Central a Success!

We are so excited to be offering a VBS program again this summer at Central! Our program is called "Downtown Dive" and begins on Tuesday, June 3. We will meet from 9:30am to 12pm each day that week through Friday, June 6. We will "dive" into a scripture each day and also enjoy crafts, snacks, games and a daily outing to one of our downtown neighborhood destinations. We expect this to be another fun year of VBS!

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Session Notes from May for the June Herald

Session met on May 14 to hear reports and conduct business. Highlights from the meeting appear below.

Featured Report: Facilities Commission: An updated appraisal for insurance purposes will occur in June and will be reviewed with our carrier. A problem with our alarm system was caused by a power issue with Duke Energy. Koorsen, the alarm company, replaced the battery backup for the key card lock on the south door and found an issue with the north door that will be corrected. The sump pump below the pantry is doing its job but the deteriorating mortar lets outside water wick in and affect the floor joists. The commission is gathering information for repair. Sycamore Engineering has done their annual maintenance on the HVAC system. They found one issue and will recheck it in the fall.

Treasurer's Report:

Operating Fund Summary	Month of April		Balance Sheet Summary	4/30/2025
Beginning of Month	\$48,025.48		Current Assets	\$1,068,382
Income	\$37,147.75		Fixed Assets	\$5,093,693
Expenses	\$31,061.77		Short Term Liabilities	\$4274
End of Month	\$54,111.46		Long Term Liabilities	\$119,044
			Net Worth (Fund Balance)	\$6,038,757

Christian Educator's Report: The Sunday School year is wrapping up and plans are underway for VBS, which will begin June 3. Ten children, from a wide age range, are attending camp at Pyoca this summer. The church pays half of their cost, and this exceeds the camps and conferences budget by \$1220. Session approved a motion to use the McKee funding to cover the budget shortfall.

Reports and Action Items from Committees and Commissions:

Worship: David Nwalado's concert is this Sunday and will be followed by a reception. Alan Harder moved that we authorize collection of a free will offering for the Music Fund and the motion was approved. The pulpit Bible was repaired, at no charge, through the ISU library's special collections department.

Mission: The bulletin board system for donations for the Lotus Center is working well and donations are coming in. The committee moved that \$1500 of the local benevolence budget be sent to Manna from Seven and the motion was approved.

Nominating: Steve Mead reported that the committee had inadvertently left off the name of Phil Farmer from the list of incoming elders. On behalf of the committee, he asked session to authorize a congregational meeting to elect Phil to a one-year term (class of 2026). Session approved the motion to call a congregational meeting for this purpose at the earliest time possible.

Session notes (continued)

Commissioner to Presbytery: Alan Harder announced that a meeting will be held next week and changes to the Book of Order will be considered. He believes the most impactful of these is consideration of exchanging clergy with the Episcopal church.

Other Business: Alan Finnan noted that we will begin discussions about interim ministry next month; processes have changed since our last interim search. Pulpit supply for the next four Sundays was reviewed and a question about compensation was referred to the Worship commission.

Handrails were installed in the sanctuary along the front steps, and some sort of railing may be installed along the north steps.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS with appreciation for those CPC members that have made the gifts possible.

McKee Family Scholarship - The Nancy and Dale McKee Family Scholarship is given through the Wabash Valley Community Foundation. It was established in 2006 by their family in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. It is presented annually to a deserving student who is active in Central Presbyterian Church. This year's recipient is David Nwalado!

Surrell Scholarships – The Surrell Scholarship Fund was established from a bequest from Mary E. Surrell who became a member of Central in 1866. This book scholarship is for the benefit of graduating high school seniors and current college students (including non-traditional) who are a part of the CPC family, whether by membership or participation in church life, that fulfill the application requirements. The Christian Nurture Commission oversees this process.

The 2025 Surrell Scholarship recipients are:

Maxine Bough, attends Ball State University

Miller Bough, Savannah College of Art and Design

Charlie Conner, will attend Indiana University this fall

Theo Conner, plans to pursue career as electrician

Ridge Holder, attends Trinity University, San Antonio, TX

Rowyn Holder, will attend St. Louis University in the fall

David Nwalado, attends Indiana State University

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025 GRADUATES!

Isabelle Conner: graduated with Highest Distinction with a Bachelor of Arts from Indiana University in Bloomington. She majored in American Studies and minored in Law and Public Policy and Political Science. She has taken a position as an Educational Leadership Consultant with Kappa Alpha Theta that will allow her to visit other college campuses to provide workshops and coaching session. She plans to attend law school in the future.

Theo Conner: graduating from Terre Haute North High School with a technical honors diploma. He has been an active member of THN's chapter of National Honor Society. He plans to pursue a career as an electrician, but will continue his work in field of photography.

Charlie Conner: graduating from Terre Haute North High School with an academic honors diploma. He has been an active member of THN's chapter of National Honor Society and DECA. He will attend Indiana University's Kelly School of Business in Bloomington where he plans to study Finance and Accounting.

Lilian Green: Granddaughter of Bill and Brenda Green, Graduating from Valparaiso High School and from Ivy Tech with a EMT Certification.

Rowyn Holder: Graduating from Terre Haute North High School as a valedictorian and plans to attend Saint Louis University to study Chemistry. She played varsity soccer for all four years. As a senior, she served as Team Captain and was honored with the team MVP award. She participated in science bowl, the National Honor Society, two musicals, and served on the Wabash Valley Youth Grant Committee. Her senior year she served as Vice-President of the National Honor Society and Secretary of the Wabash Valley Youth Grant Committee.

Grant Racop: Graduated from IU McKinney School of Law on May 18, 2025.

Benjamin Spencer: Graduating from Terre Haute South and plans to attend Purdue University on a full tuition scholarship and will be majoring in Applied Mathematics.

- 2—Doug Payne
- 4—Kathleen Smith
- 5—Patrick Duffy, Allison Harder, Nancy Johnson
- 6—Barbara Lehman
- 7—Sarah Kelsheimer
- 12—Tisha Glenn
- 19—David Kintz, Connie McLaren, William Woodruff
- 20—Andrew Conner
- 21—Claire Bailey Henderson
- 23—Alexander Spencer
- 24—Abrianna Norris
- 25—Sharon Danek
- 29—Nancy Rubey
- 30—Ray Modesitt





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Worship 10:30	2 	3 Vacation Bible school 9:30—12:00	4 Vacation Bible school 9:30—12:00 Bible study & brew 7:30	5 Vacation Bible school 9:30—12:00 Women's Book club	6 Vacation Bible school 9:30—12:00	7
8 Worship 10:30	9	10	11 Deacons 5:00 Session 7:00	12	13	14 
15 Worship 10:30 	16	17 Commission/ Committee meetings & meal	18 Bible study & brew 7:30	19	20	21
22 Worship 10:30	23	24 	25 Bible study & brew 7:30	26 Seekers & Searchers study 10:00	27	28
29 Worship 10:30 5th Sunday lunch follow- ing worship	30					

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Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Ellie Templeton, Christian Educator/Communications Coordinator

Sarah Kelsheimer, Church Secretary



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Deadline —
June 27, 2025*

Church Happenings

Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club will meet this month on Thursday, June 5 beginning at 2 p.m. . All who are interested are welcome.

Seekers & Searchers Bible study will meet on Thursday, June 26 at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. All women are invited to attend. The group is discussing chapter 3 of *New Life in the Spirit* by Leonard Sweet.

