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Connection Card

Thanks for joining us! If you're visiting we'd love to meet you! Please fill out this card, detach it, and place it in the offering plate.

- 1st Time Guest Return Guest
- Regular Attender Member
- Updating Personal Information

Service attending today:

- 9am 10:45am 5pm

name

email

phone

address

city state zip

I am interested in learning more about:

- Membership Baptism
- Bible Studies Small Groups
- Children's Ministry
- Service Opportunities
- Other:

I would like a pastor to contact me:

- Yes No

This Week @ Central

Learn more at www.centralpres.com/events

Sunday

Prayer Group
Prayer Room, 8am

Worship
9 & 10:45am, 5pm

Sunday School
9 & 10:30am

Monday

Memorial Day
Offices Closed

Wednesday

Men's Fellowship
Parlor, 12pm

Thursday

Women's Bible Study
Library, 9:30am

Wednesday, June 7

Men's & Women's Bible Studies Begin
Gathering Place (M);
Choir Room (W), 6pm

If you're new or trying to get plugged in, Kate Spielman would love to help you find the right fit. Contact her today (314-727-2777 or kspielman@centralpres.com)!

Upcoming Events, News, & More

Don't miss the chance to connect with friends old and new while you study the Bible at one of Central's summer studies. There are opportunities for men and women alike. Learn more at www.centralpres.com/summer.

Join the summer choir and help lead worship at the 9am service! Summer choir is relaxed, with music that will have you feeling comfortable and confident. All you have to do is be in the choir room at 8:25am on Sundays June 11, 18, or 25 to participate. Participate when you can –come once, twice, or every week.

The annual summer kick-off party for middle and high school students is June 4 from 12-2pm! We're returning to Tilles Park (the one off McKnight) for an afternoon of feasting and fellowship! We'll provide the main food (burgers and hot dogs, anyone?). This year we're asking folks with a last name from A-M to bring a side dish, and those with a last name from N-Z to bring a dessert! Bring any outdoor games you'd like, and we'll see you in the park!

You are invited to the next VIP Lunch, a special event for those over 60, on June 15 at

12pm. Central's Director of Music & Worship, Matt Mazzoni, and his wife, Jennifer, will be our featured musical entertainment. Cost for lunch is \$5 per person. To RSVP, please contact Tina Duke (tduke@centralpres.com or 314- 727-2777).

Make plans for VBS! Parents, Kids Night Out will once again be every Wednesday in July. Mark your calendars now and visit www.centralpres.com/kno to register or for more details. Interested in helping out? Contact Karen Brown (kbrown@centralpres.com).

Camera operators are needed for the 9 and 10:45am services. No previous experience is necessary, just a willingness to learn and serve. Contact Pam Smith (techarts@centralpres.com) for details.

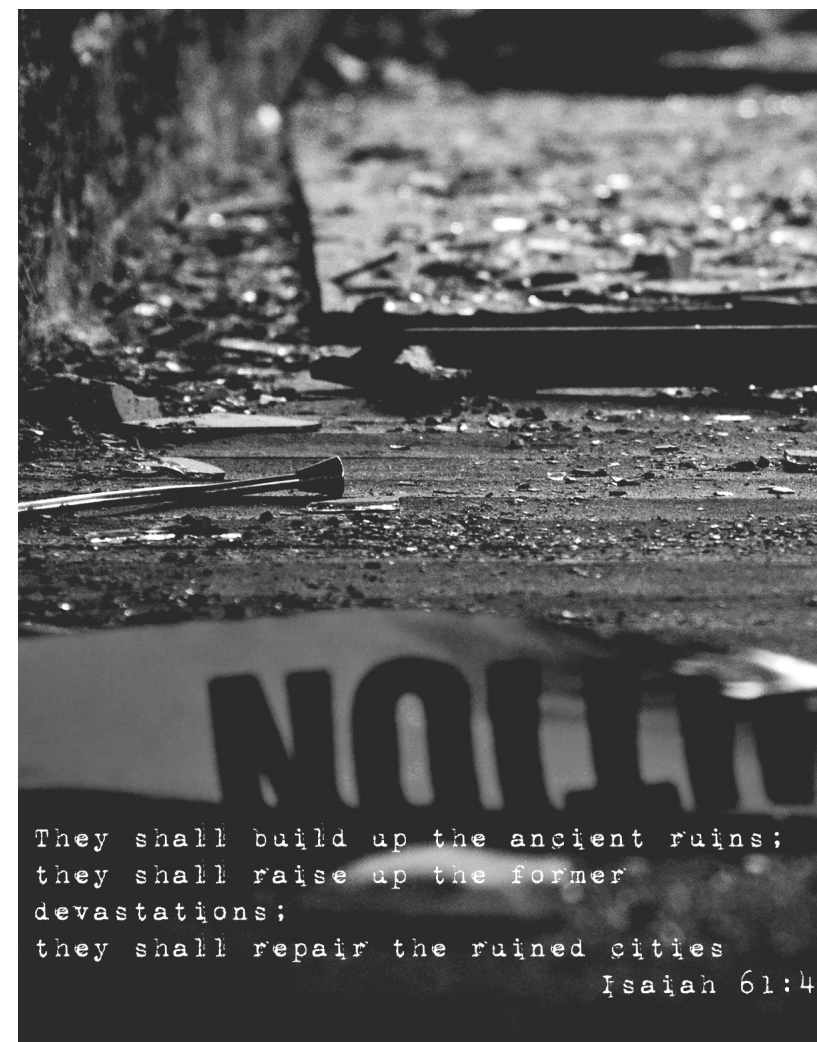
Central is hiring! You can find the information at centralpres.com/about/jobs-internships. Contact Tim Page (tpage@centralpres.com or 314-727-2777) if you have any questions or need more information.

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They shall build up the ancient ruins;
they shall raise up the former
devastations;
they shall repair the ruined cities
Isaiah 61:4

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Open Doors

by Cole Lescher

“Thank you so much for my care package, it has been a really hard few days with finals and just life. It is so cool to have a church love me.” This quote is from a student at Washington University who recently received a care package from a Central member. In our conversation, I could tell he was overwhelmed with school, but that simple package gave him some much-needed encouragement. It showed him that he is loved and that somebody was thinking about him and praying for him.

My hope is that many more students will be able to experience the love of Christ through our church. Some recent developments in our college ministry are moving us closer to making that hope a reality. Over the past year, God has gathered a group of college students eager to learn more of his word and to serve those around them, but our ministry opportunities have been limited since we were not yet an official, formally-approved campus ministry at Wash. U. That changed in April when we finally received that approval after two years of waiting on the Lord for this open door.

A second development will

help us make the most of this opportunity. In May, Central formed a partnership with an organization called The Coalition for Christian Outreach (CCO), the official campus ministry partner of the EPC. CCO will provide training and mentors to help me learn the best practical methods of campus ministry, which the organization has developed from over 40 years of ministry experience. Furthermore, CCO offers students a fantastic annual conference focused on equipping college students to serve the mission of God’s kingdom in every dimension of life, including every vocational sphere of work.

I believe Central can be a home-away-from-home for many students as they navigate their college years. Our proximity to the Wash. U. campus and other local universities gives us an opportunity to welcome and love students from all over the world. Please pray for our college ministry. The college campus is not an easy mission field, and we need encouragement and prayer. We are grateful that God has been extremely faithful to us, and we look forward with hope for great things to come.

Summer Trips for Students

Middle School: “Light Up My City,” June 10-16. Sometimes the hardest place to be a light for Jesus is in our own backyard. But that’s exactly what we’re doing this summer as we team up with New City Fellowship to spend a week tutoring students, caring for refugees, and more. We will learn to be lights for the gospel right here in St. Louis, MO!

Registration for the trip is now open! Cost is \$385/student, but scholarships are available (don’t let cost keep your student from this fantastic opportunity!).

High School: “The Road Trip,” June 21-25. The Road Trip returns! Grab your friends, camping gear, and spirit of adventure as we spend five days and four nights tent camping in Kentucky and West Virginia. Along the way we’ll grow in our love for God and each other through devotions, meals, hangout times, and activities! Space is limited to 15 students (+5 leaders), so save your seat in the car by registering today! Cost is \$300/student.

For more information or to register for either trip, contact April Johnson (ajohnson@centralpres.com).

Service Opportunities

Here are three easy and fun ways to get involved this summer:

- 1. Serve.** Central has a variety of ministries actively involved in the local community and partners with many more. There are even ways for the whole family to serve together. Contact our Missions office (cmulick@centralpres.com or 314-727-2777) for info.
- 2. Volunteer.** There are countless ways to share your time and talents for the good of the church. As little as an hour a month can make a BIG difference. If you can help, contact Kate (kspielman@centralpres.com).
- 3. Shepherd.** Our little ones (nursery to 4 years old) still need teachers over the summer. Also, every Wednesday night in July is Kids Night Out, Central’s VBS program, and our many volunteers are what make it happen! Want to help? Contact Karen (kbrown@centralpres.com).

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Central’s Bible Reading Plan

Also available on our app, centralpres.com/gettheapp

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Monday, May 29

- Proverbs 10-12
- Romans 10

Tuesday, May 30

- Proverbs 13-15
- Romans 11

Wednesday, May 31

- Proverbs 16-18
- Romans 12

Thursday, June 1

- Proverbs 19-21
- Romans 13

Friday, June 2

- Proverbs 22-24
- Romans 14

Saturday, June 3

- Proverbs 25-27
- Romans 15

Sunday, June 4

- Proverbs 28-29
- Psalms 60
- Romans 16

PRAYER REQUEST

At Central, we believe in and depend upon the power of prayer. If you have a specific need or concern for which you would like prayer, please describe below, tear off this panel, and drop it in the offering plate. The officers and intercessors covenant to pray for your requests as long as you desire. All requests will be treated as confidential.

Name (optional):

- I would like a pastor or elder to contact me
- Sick or homebound and would like a visit
- I would like a women’s intercessor to contact me

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