

FCBC WEEKLY UPDATE

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This week at First Central:

This Sunday as we continue our series in the book of John, Pastor Mark's message is "I Find That Hard to Believe" from John 6:60-71.

You can watch the services live on Facebook [here](#). You can also view the service (after the fact) on Pastor Mark's [blog](#) and on the church website, www.firstcentral.church.



Here's what you need to know:

- Saturday, July 16, 11:45 AM
- We will provide the turkey breast and gravy.
- We need appropriate sides and desserts.
- Gift exchange \$10 (if you wish to participate). Gift cards must be wrapped.
- Wear Christmas colors if possible.



Some Independence Day Trivia for you (answers below)

1. Which three presidents died on the Fourth of July?
2. Which president was born on the 4th of July?
3. How many people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th?
4. On what date did most of the signers actually sign the document?
5. Who was the oldest signatory?
6. Who was the youngest?
7. Which state had the most delegates sign?
8. Who was the last signatory of the Declaration of Independence?



Have you "checked out" our library recently? (Pun totally intended.) 😊

We have a great selection of Christian fiction, reference, biographies and also a large selection of children's books.

In addition, we also offer DVDs, both for adults and for children. While you won't find a smiling librarian, you will find a very simple self-checkout process.

In addition, there are recent publications from some of our missionaries and mission organizations that we support. These are free for the taking. Read and return, or pass them on. Stop in soon!



Giving back to God:

DATE	BUDGET	GIVING
June 26	\$9,038	\$7,741
Year-to-date:	\$234,988	\$219,591

Thank you for your faithful giving.

Prayer Ministry

While we are not meeting in person over the summer, every Wednesday we publish a weekly prayer sheet with requests, updates and also a letter from one of our missionaries. There are printed copies available on Sundays, but if you'd like to receive it via email, just let us know by contacting the church office at 413-592-5353 or firstcentral@firstcentral.church.



Do we have your most updated contact information?

Not only name and address but home phone, cell phone and email? We do most of our communication through email and text, so if we don't have your correct info, you may be "out of the loop." Copies of the church directory are available in the back of the sanctuary and also in the copy room. If you don't have a recent one, pick one up this Sunday...and check to make sure the information we have for you is up to date. If you're not receiving communications from us, please contact the office and make sure we have the right info for you.

Trivia answers. (You didn't think we'd make it easy, did you?)

1. John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe. Adams, the second president, and Jefferson, the third president, both died on the same day in 1826.
2. Calvin Coolidge, the 30th president, in 1872.
3. Two
4. August 2, 1776
5. Ben Franklin. He was 70.
6. Edward Rutledge. 26 years old. He owned 50 slaves. Later became governor of South Carolina.
7. Pennsylvania. There were nine.
8. Thomas McKean, January, 1777. He was at one time the president of the continental congress, later became a governor of PA.