



*The Westside Players Prepares “Annie Jr.”  
For August Performances*

*Dinner Theatre Will Offer a Meal and the Show for \$10  
on August 22, 23 and 24*

Broadway critic Clive Barnes stated in his review of the original production, “To dislike the new musical *Annie*....would be tantamount to disliking motherhood, peanut butter, friendly mongrel dogs and nostalgia.”



*Annie Jr.* is a one hour version of the original, featuring seven very special little girls. Heading the cast as Annie is eleven year old KYRA SANCHEZ who appeared last summer as a servant in *Joyful Noise*, and who played a leading role two years ago in *I Remember Mama*.

Annie’s orphan friends are AUSTIN ANDERTON (Kate), ALLEGRA FLORIMBI (Duffy), ROSIE NINESLING (Tessie), VANNYA PAVESIO (July), LEXI RATCLIFF (Molly) and SIERRA SANCHEZ (Pepper).

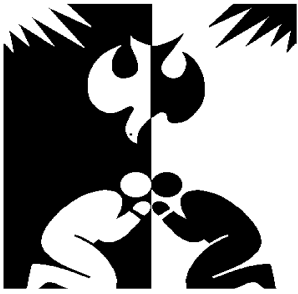
Playing featured roles are B. J. AUSTIN (Miss Hannigan), DAVID TINNEY (Daddy Warbucks) and SUSAN SHINN (Grace Farrell). NORMAN STOLPE will portray President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Others in the large cast include TINA WEGER (Lily St. Regis), WHIT WHITTINGTON (Rooster Hannigan), JOHN HAWLEY (Lt. Ward), BEN HAWELY (Bundles, the laundry man), MICKEY GREER (the Apple Seller), WILL WHITE (Bert Healy) and MARY ANN DUCKWORTH and JOSEPH JOINER as servants to Daddy Warbucks. SIERRA SANCHEZ appears as a “Star to Be.” Sandy, Annie’s dog, is MAX BODDY.

The production is directed by ED DELATTE, along with CAROLYN SHINN (costumes), JOHN SHINN (technical direction and sound), BILL ANDERTON (audio engineer), NINA BOOTH (set design), JOHN HAWLEY (light design) and MICKEY GREER (properties).

Performances on Friday, August 22 and Saturday, August 23 begin at 7:00 PM. The Sunday matinee on August 24 begins at 1:00 PM. All tickets are \$10 which include the meal and the production.

Watch the *Good News* for more information about tickets and reservations. Seating is limited. Make your plans to attend as early as possible.

## Norm's Nurture Notes



I have frequently referred to the statement of Father Thomas Hopko, Dean Emeritus of St. Vladimir Orthodox Seminary in New York, "When I was a boy my mother told me that to grow as a Christian I

needed to read my Bible, say my prayers and go to church. Now that I am Dean of a Seminary training people for ministry, I tell them that if they want to grow as Christians they need to read their Bibles, say their prayers and go to church." Most of you will recognize these themes in my spiritual formation and pastoral ministry with you: Bible saturation, intimate prayer and communal worship. As Henri Nouwen used to say, "The

spiritual life is not complicated, only difficult."

So when you read your Bible, what should you expect?

- To hear from God.
- To be called by God.
- To experience and explore mystery.
- To connect with the community of faith.
- To be shaped to become like Christ.

Norman Stolpe,  
Pastor


*"Love the Lord  
your God  
with all your  
heart, and  
with all your  
soul, and  
with all  
your mind."*

*Matthew 22:37*

## How to Meet People at the Dog Park

### Practical Advice from Max, The Dog Park Evangelist

1. Ask someone if they can watch your dog for 10 minutes while you run to the store.
2. Accidentally break the hose bib with water gushing everywhere and watch all the people come to help. (Tip: keep Franks # handy)
3. Sit down Wednesday evening alone in the park and try not to talk to anyone. Mind your own business and you are guaranteed someone to talk to.
4. Can you fog a mirror?
5. Don't pick up your doggie's (@#\$\$!\*) and you'll get scolded.
6. Come hear B. J. Austin speak outside 10am this Sunday morning
7. Walk in without a dog and people will ask, "where is your dog"?
8. Borrow me from Todd. I love to go to the dog park and bark.

Max 

P.S. Max will be playing the part of Sandy in the upcoming play, "Annie Jr."



"Max, The Dog Park Evangelist"  
at the 4th of July Parade

## Midday Prayer

Join us for a half-hour scripture and prayer in the Chapel at Central Christian Church, from 12:15 to 12:45 PM each Wednesday.

## *Fellowship Class*

Thought for the day: “To handle yourself, use your head. To handle others, use your heart.”

The class bid a fond farewell last Sunday to beloved teacher, Frank Howell, as he brought his last lesson before retiring after 25 years. There were several members in attendance that have been unable to come to class lately, so it was a wonderful opportunity to fellowship with one and all. We wish Frank all the best in whatever he chooses to fill his retirement plate.

While we will certainly miss Frank and his wonderful teaching, we know that life goes on. The class will continue to meet and study from the quarterly lesson book with a combined effort from our members to lead the discussion each week. In addition, we will continue to open each class with joyful singing as we did this morning. With Katheryn Liven-good at the piano, we sang two hymns instead of the usual one. Thanks to Katheryn for lending us her talent.

Sadly, we learned that our dear Frances Sorrells has been placed on hospice care. Pastor Norm reported that he went to see Frances last week, and was there at the same time as her two daughters. He was able to share insights with them and assist in their decision making process. Norm knew that Frances was aware of her daughters' presence and was insistent on hugging, kissing, and telling them that she loved them. We all need to remember Frances and her family in our prayers. We also need to be prayerful for our friend, Ken Harold, as he begins his treatment for an enlarged heart and congestive heart failure. And, Marybess Grisham needs prayers for recovery from a crushed vertebrae in her back. Blessings to all that need love and healing in their daily lives.

And, now, may the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent one from the other.

Sherrie Narusis

## *New Bible Study on Wednesday Nights*

John Cunyus is beginning a new Bible study in his home, Wednesday evening, July 16th, at 7 p.m. (Cunyus Home: 5634 Ledgestone Drive, Dallas)

### ABOUT THE STUDY

We welcome anyone wanting to study the Bible in depth, with a prayer-filled heart. This study is for all: for seekers, who are studying the Bible for the first time; for doubters, who wrestle with their own questions; for the faithful, who look to be strengthened in their walk. We will go deeply into the text, believing that God has much to teach us through it. We will put the text in context, to help us understand the entire Bible more clearly. We will make time to be a community, to share our hopes and struggles, to lift one another up.

### OPENING STUDY

#### *Ecclesiastes: Wisdom for a Weary World*

The book of Ecclesiastes presents God's wisdom for those who know what it's like to struggle in life. In this ancient text, written in the name of King Solomon, we take an honest look at what lasts in this world and what doesn't.

### ABOUT THE TEACHER

John Cunyus spent twenty years in the ordained ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), serving churches in Pilot Point, Weatherford, Houston (twice), Lake Jackson, and Dallas, all in Texas. Since leaving ministry in 2005, John has been publishing the website [www.JohnCunyus.com](http://www.JohnCunyus.com), as well as a blog, "Rolling the Wheel." A sixth-generation Texan, Cunyus is a graduate of Rice, TCU, and Pacific Western Universities. He is the author of eleven books, and is currently working on translations of the Biblical books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes.

Childcare will be provided. We will have a time for prayer. John will offer instruction on ways of prayer as well. The study will last roughly an hour each week. For more information, contact John at: 214-662-5494 or, by email, at [John@JohnCunyus.com](mailto:John@JohnCunyus.com).

## *A Great Big Thank You...*

...to all of you who helped fill the food baskets. This is such an important mission for our church, especially now. Here is a quote from the Dallas Morning News on Saturday, June 21st.:

*"Local Impact: Charity Pantries Struggle to Help*

The North Texas Food Bank reports that many member agencies—75% are faith-based—have more new clients seeking food assistance. For example, **North Dallas Shared Ministries** recently had 40 new families requesting assistance in one day."

Need we say more? Please continue to remember others when you shop.

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!

P. S. The cute little white rabbit lurking in the bottom of one of the baskets has had a bath and will be saved for the Banana Boxes or Rainbow Box.

## *Special Offering for Ken*

As most of you know by now, our dear friend and custodian of 37 years had recently been hospitalized with a heart condition. He is presently at home recuperating. To help with the medical co-pays and deductibles for Ken's hospitalization, a love offering is being collected. If you would like to help, mail your check to the church office or put in the collection plate on Sunday. (Be sure to identify on your check that it's for Ken.)

## *Bible Reading Plan*

### **July 7-13**

Genesis 25:19-34  
Romans 8:1-11  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

### **July 14-20**

Genesis 28:10-19a  
Romans 8:12-25  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

### **July 21-27**

Genesis 29:15-28  
Romans 8:26-39  
Matthew 13:31-33,  
44-52

### **July 28-August 3**

Genesis 32:22-31  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:13-21

More information at [www.cccd.org](http://www.cccd.org). Go to "Holy Reading" under the Worship tab.

## *Memorials & Gifts*

- Memorials in memory of Grover Ellisor were given to the *Memorial Fund* by Jim & Carol Archer, Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Hopkins and Mr. & Mrs. M. C. Hopkins.
- Memorials in memory of Grover Ellisor were given to the *Music Memorial Fund* by the Lamplighter Class.
- Gifts in memory of Grover Ellisor were given to Central Christian Church by Bob & Helen Boyle, Pat Feather and Robert & Elizabeth Jones.
- Memorials in memory of Merrill Lankford were given by Bill & Mary Cheek, Earl & Jeanette Jones and Elaine Taylor.
- Gifts in memory of Merrill Lankford were given to Central Christian Church by Jack Baggett, Jr., Glenna Bowles, John & Janis Knott, A. G. Low and Alan Williams.

—more memorials listed on page 7

## *A Special Thank You*

To the Central Christian Church Family,

We would like to thank all of you for the outpouring of love, sympathy and support following Grover's death. The memorial service was so meaningful and comforting. The reception was lovely with delicious food that was thoughtfully prepared. The very best of Central was presented that day, and we heard many compliments about everything.

Central Christian Church and his church family were so important to Grover all of his life. He loved the Lord and his involvement at Central was a natural extension of his faith, desire to serve others and share the Gospel. We certainly know that his church family loved him in return. How fitting it is that part of his last day on earth was spent at Central Christian Church, a place that was such an integral part of his life.

Words cannot begin to express how much we appreciate your love and prayers during this difficult time. God bless you all.

Mary K. Ellisor

## Looking Ahead

### Sunday, July 13

9:30 AM Outdoor Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Outdoor Worship  
10:30 AM Choir Practice  
11:00 AM Worship  
12:15 PM Coffee Fellowship  
12:45 PM Westside Players Rehearsal  
(1-1, 2, 3)

2 Corinthians 5:16-21 / Acts 8:27b-39

*Into Africa*

Norman Stolpe

### Monday, July 14

7:00 PM Westside Players Rehearsal (1-4)

### Wednesday, July 16

10:00 AM Westside Workers  
12:15 PM Midday Prayer  
7:00 PM Bible Study (Cunyus)  
7:00 PM Westside Players Rehearsal (1-4)

### Thursday, July 17

7:00 PM Marriage Prep  
7:00 PM Sawdust Makers Group  
7:00 PM Westside Players Rehearsal (1-4)

### Sunday, July 20

9:30 AM Outdoor Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Outdoor Worship  
10:30 AM Choir Practice  
11:00 AM Worship  
12:15 PM Coffee Fellowship  
12:45 PM Westside Players Rehearsal (1-5)

Galatians 6:14-17 / Acts 10:1-5, 19-25, 44

*Finding the Seekers*

Norman Stolpe

### Monday, July 21

7:00 PM Westside Players Rehearsal  
(1-1, 2, 3)

### Wednesday, July 23

10:00 AM Westside Workers  
12:15 PM Midday Prayer  
7:00 PM Bible Study (Cunyus)  
7:00 PM Westside Players Rehearsal (1-4)

### Thursday, July 24

7:00 PM Marriage Prep  
7:00 PM Sawdust Makers Group  
7:00 PM Westside Players Rehearsal (1-6)

## *Sunday Attendance & Visitors*

### June 8, 2008

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 71  
Sunday School: 35

### June 15, 2008

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 64  
Sunday School: 38  
VISITORS: Tom Irwin

### June 22, 2008

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 63  
Sunday School: 30  
VISITORS: Talya Batt, Ted Brown

### June 29, 2008

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 63  
Sunday School: 30  
VISITORS: Talya Batt, Tom Irwin

### July 6, 2008

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 45  
OUTDOOR WORSHIP: 12  
Sunday School: 15  
VISITORS: Tom Irwin, Allegra Florimbi

## *Other important dates in July:*

- Choir Practice every Sunday at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary
- Westside Workers—Every Wednesday at 10:00 AM
- Sawdust Makers Group—Every Thursday at 7:00 PM at the home of Jim Archer.
- Westside Players Rehearsals:
  - Sunday, July 27, 12:45 PM (1-6)
  - Monday, July 28, 7:00 PM (1-7)
  - Wednesday, July 30, 7:00 PM (1-7)
  - Thursday, July 31, 7:00 PM (1-4, 5, 6)

The next issue of *The Good News* will be published on August 5. The deadline for articles is Monday, August 4 at 9:00 AM



# Central Announces the New Slate of Officers and Ministry Leaders for 2008-2009

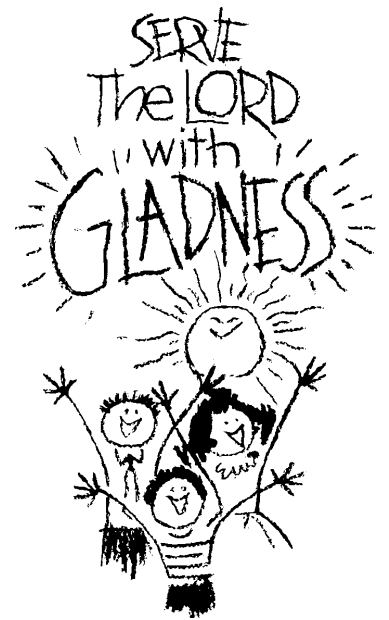
These officers were elected at the June 29 congregational Meeting:

PRESIDENT	Bill Anderton	VICE-PRESIDENT	Wendell Patterson
SECRETARY	Nancy Anderton	TREASURER	Roland Bandy

The following were appointed as Ministry Team Leaders:

MISSION	Suzie Patterson	NURTURE	Grace Anne Crank
OUTREACH	Russell Church	SUPPORT	Frank Whittington
WORSHIP	Mary Chris Gibbons		

Mike Bowden has accepted to serve as Head Deacon.



## Photo Album Fourth of July Parade—2008



Photos by Carolyn Shimm

## Sunday School Classes

9:45 AM

### Children

Nursery	0-3 years	Rm. 103
Pre-School	4-6 years	Upstairs
Elementary		Upstairs
Youth		Upstairs

### Adult Sunday School Classes

Fellowship, Little Church .....	Frank Howell
Lamplighter's, Parlor.....	Ellamary Clifton
Shank, Shank Room .....	Bill Wright
Sojourners, Upstairs.....	John Cunyus

## Serving Schedule

### Sunday, July 13

**Deacon Captain:** Wendell Patterson  
**Deacons:** Suzie Patterson, David Aston, Nancy Anderton  
**Lead Elder:** Grace Anne Crank  
**Bread:** B. J. Austin      **Cup:** John Shinn  
**Greeters:** Jim & Gayle Strange, Frank Whittington  
**Scripture Reader:** Sherrie Narusis  
**Children's Sermon:** Norman Stolpe  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Lisa Huisenga and Russell & Lisa Church

### Sunday, July 20

**Deacon Captain:** Ken Aten  
**Deacons:** Colton Boddy, David Tinney, Mike Bowden  
**Lead Elder:** Tyson Woods  
**Bread:** Jim Archer      **Cup:** Carol Archer  
**Greeters:** Mike Bowden, Carol Archer, Melva Baeza  
**Scripture Reader:**  
**Children's Sermon:** Tyson Woods  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Carol Archer and Peg Dicken

### Sunday, July 27

**Deacon Captain:** Jayne Hawley  
**Deacons:** Ben Hawley  
**Lead Elder:** Ellamary Clifton  
**Bread:** Gayle Strange      **Cup:** Jim Strange  
**Greeters:** Bob Boyle, Leslie Hadjiev, Suzie Patterson  
**Scripture Reader:**  
**Children's Sermon:** Norman Stolpe  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Two hosts needed

*"Constantly ask God's help in prayer, and pray always in the power of the Spirit...."* Ephesians 6:18

### **Pray for healing for those who are recovering:**

Bob Allen	Kenneth Harold
Madelyn Cocoz	Oran Nabors
George Cunyus	Jerry Rodgers
Libby Davis	Wanda Rodgers
Sybil Davis	Dotte Thomason
John Ellisor	

### **Pray for strength and wholeness for those facing long-term health challenges:**

Helen Branan	Anna King
Libby Davis	George Cunyus
Lynn Myers	Arvel Rodgers
Jimmy Griffiths	Karen Woods
Herbert Hale	

### **Pray for those who do not get out on their own:**

Alice Adams	Herbert Hale
Pat Austin	Ivanola Hepworth
Helen Branan	Mildred Lee
Lucille Connell	Kathy Owens
Libby Davis	Jesse Parman
Sally Eatmon	Dr. Mary L. Rowand
Elizabeth Fitzgerald	Willi Silvester
Nell Gammon	Frances Sorrells
Jimmy Griffiths	Amy Wallis
Sheila Gugisberg	

### **An encouraging note to those whose addresses are listed this week will lift their spirits:**

- Cretha Carrell, 3633 Fairfax, Dallas, TX 75209
- Lucille Connell, 4315 Mill Run Rd., Dallas, TX 75244
- Libby Davis, 4252 Armstrong Parkway, Dallas, TX 75205-3616

### **Memorials and Gifts:**

- Memorials in memory of Grover Ellisor were given to the *Thai Christian Foundation* by the Bexar Kiwanis Club of San Antonio, Warren & Charlotte Jackson and Camille Keith & Gary Hudson.
- Memorials in memory of Grover Ellisor were given by Joye Baker, Frank Ed Bayouth II, Al & Dorothy Carnes, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Culberson & Family, Dave & Mary Dyer, Steve & Debbie Holzheuser, The Ed Jackson Family, Mr. & Mrs. Robert McKeloy, Betty & Allen Nelson, Sue & Cruger Ragland, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Spillman, W & W Consultants & Streamline Production Systems II, Billie & Debbie White, Ann & John Willard, Dr. & Mrs. A. Gordon Worsham.



## *Church Staff*

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Norman Stolpe
<b>Associate Pastor</b>	Rev. Todd Boddy
<b>Music Director/Organist</b>	Jon Whittington
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Carolyn Shinn
<b>Custodian</b>	Kenneth Harold
<b>Office Assistant</b>	Laura Ninesling

## *Sanctuary Flower Dedications*

July 20      Two Needed  
July 27      Two Needed

Please remember order forms and payment are due in the church office two weeks prior to the Sunday you wish to place memorial or honorary flowers. Order forms and envelopes are in the rack outside the church office.

**The Vision of Central Christian Church** is to be the hospitable hands of Jesus Christ for our neighbors near and far.

**The Mission of Central Christian Church** is to invite our neighbors to a life of faith in Jesus Christ and into our congregation for the shared pursuit of Christian spirituality.

## *TeleWorship*

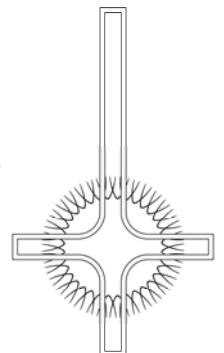
At 10:55 AM phone 1.866.844.6291 and enter the access code: 6371829.

## *We're On the Web!*

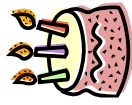
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# August 2008



## August Birthdays

- 3 Odessa Mills
- 4 Greg Fielder
- 5 Allan Eubank
- 6 Betty Musgrave
- 7 Cruger Ragland
- 7 Alberto Cansino
- 8 Mildred Lee
- 9 Dorothy Carnes
- 9 John Davenport
- 10 Melva Baeza
- 12 Jessica Davis
- 13 Arvel Rodgers
- 15 Leslie Hadjiev
- 18 Norman Oates
- 19 Elizabeth Bandy
- 21 Gayle Strange
- 22 Kyle Henderson
- 23 Sally Eatmon
- 24 John Crank, II
- 27 Jerry Rodgers
- 27 Warren Morey
- 27 Wanda Rodgers
- 27 Jackie Bentz
- 28 Kat Stewart
- 29 Christian Torres
- 30 Libba Boatman
- 31 Helen Boyle

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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