

- Though we are taking a break from rehearsals during the month of July, please plan to be here to lead worship each week. Many of you will be traveling out of town for vacation this summer, but please plan to sing with us when you are in town!
- For the worship service on July 5, we will sing some patriotic songs in celebration of July 4, so plan to wear something red, white, or blue for that worship service!
- MANY thanks for all that you did for Mary Claire's and Chance's wedding! The music was absolutely beautiful, and our family is so grateful for this very special gift that you gave to us. We will treasure it always!



We will plan to meet for rehearsal during the months of July and August, and we will also lead worship for some services during these months. Please watch the bulletin for updates.



- Children's choirs will not meet during the summer months. Watch the bulletin for details on when we will resume in August.

- Looking ahead: Music camp is scheduled for July 21 - 23 from 10 AM - 12 noon each day. There is no charge for the camp, but it is helpful if you could contact me to sign up your children so that enough volunteers may be secured. Music camp is for ages rising K - rising 6th graders.

There will be no handbell choir rehearsals during the summer months. Watch the bulletin for the date to resume rehearsals in August.



I hope that all of you are enjoying your summer vacation! Our children's music camp will be July 21st through 23rd from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The camp is for rising Kindergarten through rising 6th graders. Please let Karla or me know if you are planning to attend!

Lower and Upper Elementary classes are meeting together this summer in the yellow room. We will meet together until Promotion Sunday on August 9th. Join us for fellowship, fun, and meaningful Bible study. Please mark your calendars for our "Back to Sunday School" family cookout on August 8th!

With much love, Miss Suzanne

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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

For immediate prayer needs contact our Prayer Chain at 423-3769 (Judy Hunter-Hill).

June Prayer Team: Annette Braddy, Anne Smith, Tommie Nichols, Anne Wood, Margaret Chasteen

July Prayer Team: Betty Abell, Linda Brantley, Margaret Zorn, Virginia Snowden, Thelma Starr

Calendar

Sunday, June 28, 2015

- 9:00 AM..... Early Morning Worship
- 9:15 AM..... Fellowship Breakfast
- 9:45 AM..... Sunday School
- 11:00 AM..... Morning Worship
- 4:00 PM..... Youth Advisory Committee (Library)
- 5:00 PM..... UMYF (All Youth)

Monday

- 10:00 AM..... Senior Adult Ladies' Yoga Class
- 1:30 PM..... Church Staff Meeting

Saturday



Sunday, July 5, 2015

- 9:00 AM..... Early Morning Worship
- 9:15 AM..... Fellowship Breakfast
- 9:45 AM..... Sunday School
- 11:00 AM..... Morning Worship

Monday

Church Office Closed in Observance of Independence Day Holiday

Wednesday

- 4:00 PM..... UMYF Bowling Excursion (All Youth)

Friday

- 5:15 PM..... Senior Adults Trip to DJ's

Helpers for June

USHERS: Bobby Chasteen, Chris Hughes, Amy Layfield, Garrett McCord, Troy Vaughn, Dale Wilson.

WORSHIP TECHNICIANS: David Evans, Dwain Smith, Tony Moncus, Jim Owens, Avery Tanner.

Helpers for July

USHERS: Stacey Bell, Becky Griffin, Harold Kimball, Roger Sutton, Clint Talton, Troy Vaughn

WORSHIP TECHNICIANS: David Evans, Dwain Smith, Tony Moncus, Jim Owens, Avery Tanner

Worship Notes for Sunday, June 28, 2015

Rev. Mike Benson (9:00 & 11:00 AM)

Scripture: Matthew 4:18-20 NIV

Sermon: "What is a Disciple?"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Celebration Choir

Offertory: Becky Anderson, Nan Lee

Postlude: Brian Morris

A/V Assistants: Parker Wiley, Raines Evans

Church Greeter: Chris & Susan Hughes

Breakfast: Volunteers

Worship Notes for Sunday, July 5, 2015

Rev. Mike Benson (9:00 & 11:00 AM)

Scripture: Galatians 5:1 NIV

Sermon: "Finding True Freedom"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Celebration Choir

Offertory: Ken Williams, Mark Masee, Cristina Evans, Donna Owens

Postlude: Brian Morris

A/V Assistants: Parker Wiley, Colby Bell

Church Greeter: John & Dianne Engelmann

Breakfast: Volunteers

August 12 – Fellowship Suppers Resume

August 23 – Administrative Council

September 20-25 –

South Central District Camp Meeting

October 11 – Central's Homecoming Celebration



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Your Calendar



50th ANNIVERSARY

Please join the Strahan Family and friends as we celebrate the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Tim and Phyllis Strahan with a Vow Renewal in Central's Dorminy Chapel at 2:00 PM on Saturday, July 4th. Cake and punch to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

• We are changing up the July summer youth calendar a bit, so pay special attention to the bulletin and text messages the rest of this summer. You will want to know what's going on!

• First slight change - **both senior high and junior high will meet on June 28th for UMYF at 5:00** complete with snack supper at 6:00!

• **We will not have UMYF on July 5th!** Enjoy the birthday of our wonderful country with your families!

• On July 8th, both junior and senior high will meet at the church at 4:00 PM to go bowling. Bring \$10 to help curb cost of bowling and meal.

• **Youth/Parent cook-out on July 12th at 5:00 fellowship hall.** All youth and their parents are welcome to come join us to meet Roger Merritt and his family and hear about his vision for our youth department.



There will be a Youth Advisory Committee meeting on June 28th at 4:00 PM in the church library.

Hope 4 Now is sponsoring a Back to School Extravaganza at Blue and Gray Park on Wednesday, July 29, beginning at 10:00 AM. They are planning to distribute bags to children to begin school next year. Supplies are needed for these bags: pencils, erasers, hand sanitizer (individual bottles), loose leaf paper, and pocket folders. We will be collecting these items to assist with this project. A box will be located outside Karla's office door - just drop the supplies in here to help. Volunteers are also needed for this day. If you are interested, please contact Karla at the church office.



Thank you seems so insignificant as we think of the ministry Central United Methodist has provided our family. Your prayers, cards, and the provision of delicious meals demonstrated such generosity and love. You shared in our most difficult time and your service and love ministered to each of our hearts. _____ The Family of Anne Smith



Fellowship Breakfast is served every Sunday morning from 9:15 to 9:45. We appreciate the Sunday School classes who prepare our breakfasts regularly and are faithful to the schedule given them. We are especially grateful this summer to John & Dianne Engelmann who have volunteered to take on the responsibility of serving our breakfast so the Sunday School classes can enjoy a summer break. If you would like to volunteer to help with the breakfasts this summer, please contact the church office or John & Dianne Engelmann.



Please Remember Central In Your Will or Trusts

Sunday, June 14, 2015

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Sunday, June 21, 2015

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Sunday School Attendance50



You are invited to a bridal shower honoring Autumn Hash, bride elect of Evan Durkovic. Please join us on Sunday, July 5, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at the Carnegie Center for an afternoon of fellowship and celebration. The groom is the son of Jon & Nelda Durkovic.



"I had to break the law for this 'A' - I prayed for the answers."

We welcome Roger & Allison Merritt as Central's newest members. Roger is well known at Central, having grown up in Central's youth program, and we are glad that he is coming home to Central. Allison will be transferring her membership from another congregation. Roger & Allison are the proud parents to two young sons, Eli and Brooks. We are so happy that this family has decided to make Central their church home. Please be sure to add your welcome as you see them in worship.



• "Senior Adult Ladies' Yoga class will meet at 10 AM on June 28. We will NOT have Yoga on July 6."

• Sunday, July 5th is Patriotic Sunday! Wear your red, white, and blue!

• Senior adults, mark your calendars for July 10th! We will be meeting at the church at 5:15 to go to DJ's!

• Prime Timers (45ish-65ish) mark August 21st as our next event! We'll be going to "Fat Daddy's!" I'm reserving the room they have just for our group, so make your plans to fellowship with us.

• Our younger couples (25ish-45ish) have an event coming up in September. (Hopefully will be a little cooler!) We will have a younger couples cook-out on Sept. 12th at the home of Rob and Amber Hughes, and your children are invited too! Watch bulletin for details when that time draws closer.



Adult Ministries

Susan Hughes