



- We will have choir rehearsals on Wednesday, October 7 & 14, at 7:00 PM in the choir room. I hope to see all of you there!
- Many thanks to all of you who were able to attend Camp Meeting. The choir sounded great and you represented Central so well!
- Remember that we will have ONE service on Sunday, October 11, for Homecoming. Please meet in the choir room at 10:00 AM that morning to prepare for the 10:30 worship service.

We were so blessed by your singing on Sunday, September 27, both here and at the Church of the Nazarene. Thanks to all youth and college students who participated – your music was beautiful and the readings were meaningful to all of us. Thanks as well to parents for having your students at rehearsals. We also appreciated David Evans for running sound and Cristina Evans for serving breakfast on the day of the program.



- Praise team rehearsal will be held on Sunday, October 4, at 5:00 PM in the sanctuary. Please let me know if you are not able to attend.
- Praise and worship service will be held on Sunday, October 18, at 6:00 PM. We will provide music for this service as well as for the morning worship service on that day.



- Children's choirs will be held on Wednesday, October 7 & 14, at 5:00 PM. We would love to have your child participate with us! For more information on children's choirs, please contact Karla.
- Looking ahead: Children's choirs will sing for 11:00 AM worship service on October 18. They will sing at Life Care Center during our choir time on Wednesday, October 21. We will return to the church for supper at 6:00 PM.
- Parts have been given out for our Christmas program, "The Loaned Manger" to be held on Sunday, December 6. Please help your child in advance with lines and solos. It makes our practice times go so much more smoothly! Please let us know if you are willing to help with props, scenery, or costumes.



Fall is here . . . what a beautiful time of year! One way that we can tell it is fall is that the leaves on trees have begun to change colors. I think that God shows himself in each season of the year. In the fall, he gives us the leaves. As you notice the colorful leaves, remember that God is with us during every season . . . He is with us all the time!

During the month of October, our Wednesday Night JAM mission project is to make fall crafts for the nursing home residents. We will visit the nursing home on October 21st. Please join us on Wednesday Nights for fellowship and fun!!

***Mark your calendars . . . Homecoming on October 11; "Fall Fun on the Farm" Trip to Calhoun Produce on October 17; Praise and Worship with a dessert social to follow at 6:00 PM on October 18; Visit the Nursing Home on October 21.

With much love, Miss Suzanne

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October 4 & 11, 2015

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- Handbell rehearsals will be held on Wednesday, October 7 & 14, at 5:00 PM. Please plan to be here.
- Looking ahead: Handbells are scheduled to play on Sunday, October 25, for the 11:00 AM service.



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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

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

October Prayer Team: Susan Hughes, Judy Hobby, Lynne Smith, Beth Bryant, Karla Foster.

Prayer Requests: Margie & Lyman Brewer, Barbara Cagle, Anne O'Connor, Anne Smith, Kimberly Talton

Calendar

Sunday, October 4, 2015

9:00 AM Early Morning Worship
 9:15 AM Fellowship Breakfast
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Morning Worship
 2:00 PM Cub Scouts (Brown Rm)
 5:00 PM UMYF
 5:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

Monday

10:00 AM Senior Adult Ladies Yoga (Brown Activity Room)
 5:15 PM Daniel Plan Group (Parlor)
 6:30 PM Emmaus Gathering

Wednesday

5:00 PM J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir (adults)
 5:00 PM All Children's Choirs
 5:45 PM Youth Supper & WOW
 6:00 PM Fellowship Supper
 6:30 PM Children's JAM
 7:00 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

12:00 PM Golden Agers Luncheon
 6:30 PM United Methodist Men

Sunday, October 11, 2015

9:45 AM Sunday School
 10:30 AM Homecoming Worship
 12:00 PM Homecoming Lunch

Monday

Columbus Day – Church Office Closed

Tuesday

4:00 PM Church Staff Meeting

Wednesday

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 5:00 PM All Children's Choirs
 5:45 PM Youth Supper & WOW
 6:00 PM Fellowship Supper
 6:30 PM Children's JAM
 7:00 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

6:30 PM Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Library)

Helpers for October

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

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

Worship Notes for Sunday, October 4, 2015

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

Scripture: Ephesians 4:11-16

Sermon: "What God Expects: Invest in Him"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Celebration Choir and Congregation

Offertory: Becky Anderson

Postlude: Brian Morris

Scripture Reader: Ray Mann

A/V Assistants: Parker Wiley, Colby Bell

Breakfast: New Beginnings

Worship Notes for Sunday, October 11, 2015

HOME COMING

Rev. Bill Dupree (10:30 AM)


Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Celebration Choir

Offertory: Drew Masee

Postlude: Brian Morris

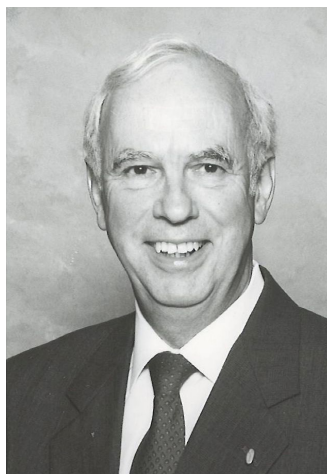
A/V Assistants: Parker Wiley, Riley Evans

 **Parents of College Students!** Please contact Cindy in the church office (423-9381 or centralumc01@windstream.net) with the name, address, and email of your college student. Maintaining a relationship with your youth when they go off to college is very important to us. We want them to know that we have not forgotten them! We would love to be in contact with our students via email and church bulletin and keep them up-to-date on church happenings. Please help us achieve our goal by contacting the church today! If you are reading this in church, just jot the address down on the attendance pad.

October 18 – Laity Sunday, Administrative Council Meeting, Praise & Worship
 October 22 – Older Adult Fun Night
 October 31 – Reformation Day
 November 1 – All Saints Day
 November 8 – Charge Conference
 November 15 – Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Day, Fellowship Lunch
 November 22 – Community Thanksgiving Worship Service



Mark
Your Calendar



Sunday, October 11

is

Homecoming!

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Bill Dupree

Worship begins at 10:30 AM
 Sunday School 9:45 to 10:15 AM

No 9:00 Worship and No Breakfast

Covered dish lunch
 immediately following worship



Golden Agers
Luncheon

Special program by David Malcolm.
 Everyone age 50+ is invited to attend!

Thursday,
October 8
12:00 Noon

Covered dish
lunch
and program.



Thursday, October 8
6:30 PM
All men of Central
are invited!



A NOTE OF "Thanks so much for hosting our retirement seminar. Central was well prepared for us. I appreciated the food and the facility. Thank you for partnering with us to serve our Clergy"

Central recently hosted a Conference wide retirement seminar for pastors who are approaching retirement age. The above note was received from the seminar facilitator, Derek McAleer. We also express appreciation to Lydia Cook and members of the United Methodist Women who prepared food and snacks for this group. Your work does not go unnoticed!

Fellowship Supper Reservations

Reservations for supper should be made by 3:00 PM each Monday. Permanent reservations may be made. Reservations can be made via phone, email, text, or you may fill in the form printed below and place it in the offering plate. The serving line is open from 6:00 to 6:30 PM. Cost is \$6 for adults/teens; \$4 for children age 4-12; children age 3 or younger are free. There is a \$20 limit per family (living in the same home). Make a reservation and join us, you will be glad you did!

Menu: October 7: Fried / Baked Chicken, Mac 'n Cheese, Turnips, Green Beans, Corn Bread/Rolls.

Menu: October 14: Hamburger Steak and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cabbage, Biscuits.

Name _____

Adults/Teens _____ # Children _____ # age 0-3 _____

October 7 only _____ October 14 only _____ Permanent _____



Please Remember Central In Your Will or Trusts

Sunday, September 20, 2015

Worship Attendance.....208
 Sunday School Attendance.....66

Sunday, September 27, 2015

Worship Attendance.....256
 Sunday School Attendance.....73



There will be an Emmaus gathering on Monday, October 5. The covered-dish supper will begin at 6:30 and will be followed with worship and communion in the chapel. Anyone who has attended an Emmaus event is invited to attend. If you are interested in Emmaus and would like more information, you may attend this gathering or contact the church office for more information.



Even though the communion table is the one table to which all Christians are called, our understandings and practice at the table often serve to divide us. On this day, October 4, as we observe World Communion Sunday, we seek to overcome these barriers and commune with each other across them. As we eat of one consecrated loaf, we signal our unity with Christ and his broken body, the church, even as we celebrate and seek the oneness of the whole communion of saints on earth and in heaven. It is indeed, for such as these; broken, opinionated, sinful, but forgiven people, that Jesus prays for unity "that they may be completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me"(John 17: 23b). It is to this unity that we give witness on World Communion Sunday. In the United Methodist Church the World Communion Sunday offering helps provide educational scholarships around the world. To make a donation for this special offering simply mark you gift "World Communion" or use the special envelope provided in your Worship Guide on October 4.



We had a great time of worship and fellowship at Jeremy Camp Concert. Youth did an outstanding job singing at Central and Nazarene Church. Thanks to those who participated and worshiped through song.

WOW Wednesday night at 5:45. Bring \$5 if you would like to eat. Also, try and remember to bring your Bible.

Sunday UMYF - 5:00 snack supper followed by devotional and fun.

• Communion Servers for October 4th 11:00 worship service: Roger & Andrea Sutton, and Wes & Lauren Griffin



Adult Ministries

• Scripture Reader for October 4th 11:00 worship service: Ray Mann
 • Don't forget to bring your covered dishes to Homecoming on October 11th! The worship service starts at 10:30 that day. We will not have a church breakfast nor a 9:00 worship service on October 11th. Sunday school will end at 10:15. Come join us for a great day of worship, fellowship, and food!

• Senior Adults will meet October 22nd at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall.