

Thanks for making our November services so special! We will take a break during the month of December, but will be ready to go at our next practice on January 10 at 5:00 PM in the sanctuary.



- Extra practices for the Joy Choir will be held on Sunday, November 29, from 3:30 – 5:30 PM; Monday, November 30, from 4 – 5:30 PM; and Tuesday, December 1, from 4 – 5:30 PM. Tuesday will be our dress rehearsal. All children should come dressed in his/her costume on that day. Please contact me with any questions about your child's costume.
- Angel and Joy Choirs will rehearse as usual on Wednesday, December 2 and 9, at 5:00 PM.
- Children's Christmas musical, "The Loaned Manger" will be held on Sunday, December 6, at 11:00 AM. The children have worked VERY hard on their lines, solos, and songs for that day. Please invite your family and friends to come and be a part of this special day! It is always such a treat, and puts us all in the spirit of Christmas! That morning, Joy Choir should be here at 10:00 AM and Angel Choir should be arrive at 10:30 AM.
- Looking ahead: Angel and Joy Choirs will participate in the Celebration Choir Christmas program on December 13 at 6:00 PM. They will sing "Glory All Around" from the cd that was sent home several weeks ago. Children should plan to be here that evening at 5:30 PM.



- We will have choir rehearsal on Wednesday, December 2 & 9. Both of these rehearsals will take place in the choir loft to prepare for our upcoming Christmas musical.
- Looking ahead: Our Christmas musical, "Glory," will be presented on Sunday, December 13, at 6:00 PM in the sanctuary. Our annual Christmas party at the home of Jason and Abby Holt will follow the program. Please put these dates on your calendars!

Kid's Korner

Our Operation Christmas Child project was so much fun and such a blessing to all involved! Thirty-three children and adults went to Tifton to deliver the 97 shoeboxes that Central packed! It was a fun night and a wonderful opportunity for us to share the love of Jesus with precious children in other countries.

Our children's musical is December 6. The children have worked hard practicing for this special service. We are so proud of them! Being in the children's choir is lots of fun and is a wonderful way to serve the Lord in our church!

We will have our annual Christmas Family Night on December 6 at 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We will make a simple craft, eat supper, and enjoy a special visit from Santa Claus!

What an exciting time of year...Christmas is right around the corner! As you are getting ready for Jesus, show His love to all those around you!!

With much love, Miss Suzanne

Catch the Spirit

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- Handbell rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, December 2 & 9, at 5:00 PM. Please plan to be here.
- Looking ahead: Handbells will play on Sunday, December 20, for the 11 AM worship service.



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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

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

November Prayer Team: June Morris, Nancy Kimball, Anne O'Connor, Jackie Pryor, Pam Mann.

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

Calendar

Sunday, November 29, 2015

9:00 AM Early Morning Worship
9:15 AM Fellowship Breakfast
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Morning Worship
3:30 PM Joy Choir Rehearsal
5:00 PM UMYF

Monday

10:00 AM Senior Adult Ladies Yoga Class
4:00 PM Joy Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday

2:00 PM Grief Support Group (Parlor)
4:00 PM Joy Choir Rehearsal
6:00 PM Tiger Cub Scouts (Brown Room)

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

Sunday, December 6, 2015

9:00 AM Early Worship
9:15 AM Fellowship Breakfast
9:45 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Children's Choirs meet
11:00 AM Morning Worship
5:00 PM UMYF
5:00 PM Children's Dept. Christmas Family Fun Night

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Thursday

12:00 PM Golden Agers Luncheon

Helpers for November

USHERS: Becky Griffin, Harold Kimball, Roger Sutton, Clint Talton, Stacey Bell, Troy Vaughn
WORSHIP TECHNICIANS: David Evans, Dwain Smith, Tony Moncus, Jim Owens, Avery Tanner

Helpers for December

USHERS: Art Anderson, Jeremy Martin, Lawson Owens, Troy Vaughn, Darrell Weeks, Frances Whitworth
WORSHIP TECHNICIANS: David Evans, Dwain Smith, Tony Moncus, Jim Owens, Avery Tanner

Worship Notes for Sunday, November 29, 2015

Rev. B.J. Funk (9:00 AM)
Scripture: Romans 5:2-5
Sermon: "What's Next?"

Mr. Luke Masee (11:00 AM)
Scripture: Hebrews 10:19-25 (CEV)
Sermon: "Thank God for the Church"

Prelude: Becky Anderson
Lighting of Advent Wreath: Journey Class
Call to Worship: Celebration Choir and Congregation
Offertory: Becky Anderson
Postlude: Brian Morris
A/V Assistants: Parker Wiley, Raines Evans
Breakfast: Women of Faith/Barnabas

Worship Notes for Sunday, December 6, 2015

Rev. Mike Benson (9:00 AM)
Scripture: Luke 3:1-6
Sermon: "Prepare the Way"

Children's Choirs present "The Loaned Manger" (11:00 AM)
Prelude: Becky Anderson
Lighting of Advent Wreath: Children's Sunday School Classes
Call to Worship: Allie Braddy
Offertory: Becky Anderson
Postlude: Brian Morris
A/V Assistants: Parker Wiley, Colby Bell
Breakfast: Friends

Many of you support our local backpack blessings ministry. This ministry helps to provide non-perishable food items to children who may not have enough to eat during weekends/holidays. The ministry is in need of funds. To contribute, please contact Karla Foster or you may mail checks to: Backpack Blessings, c/o Arbor Baptist Church, 1137 North Merrimac Dr., Fitzgerald, GA 31750. Thanks for all that you do for needy children in our community!



To place a poinsettia in the sanctuary or chapel in honor or memory of someone. Fill in the information below and return it to the church office. Poinsettias will be \$12.00 per plant. We have ordered only 50 poinsettias this year. Don't wait – order yours today!



Given in honor/memory of _____
 Given by _____ Number of poinsettia plants _____



There will be No WOW November 25th. We will continue Wednesday December 2nd. Supper at 5:45 followed by Bible study. UMYF on Sunday starting at 5:00. Snack Supper followed by devotional and games. Reminder of MOVE Conference December 28. Make sure to mark your calendars.

United Methodist Men Cake Auction

Wednesday, Dec. 9 • At Fellowship Supper

Join us for supper (be sure to make a reservation) and stay for the fun! Some of the best cakes that ever graced a table will be available for your purchase. Bring your check book (or cash) and take home a delicious treat.



The Golden Agers will meet on Thursday, Dec. 10, for a covered dish lunch. Everyone age 55+ is invited to attend. Good food, good fun, and good fellowship. Join us from 12:00 to 1:00 pm!



Glory

Program of Advent and Christmas Music
 Presented by The CUMC Celebration Choir
 Sunday, December 13 • 6:00 PM



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: December 2: Fried/Baked Chicken, mac-n-cheese, turnips, green beans, corn bread/rolls
Menu: December 9: Hamburger Steak/Gravy, mashed potatoes, cabbage and biscuits.

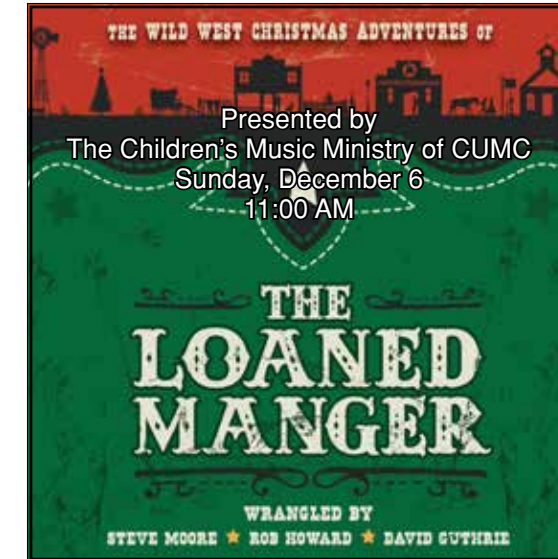
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 December 2 _____ December 9 _____ Permanent _____



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Sunday, November 15, 2015

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 Sunday School Attendance.....101



United Methodist Women

General Meeting
 Sunday, December 6
 2:00 PM
 Brown Activity Room
All women of Central are invited!

November 29 – United Methodist Student Day and First Sunday of Advent. Welcome Luke Masee to Central's pulpit as guest speaker.

December 6 – Children's Choirs present Christmas musical program "The Loaned Manger" (11:00 AM)

December 9 – Methodist Men's Cake Auction

December 13 – Celebration Choir presents Christmas musical program "Glory" (6:00 PM)

December 24 – Christmas Eve Communion (6:00 PM)

December 27 – No 9:00 AM worship, all other services as usual.



Mark Your Calendar

Thank you so much for the prayers and cards during my recent surgery and recovery. Your support has been very much appreciated.

Penny Henderson



- We **WILL** have the senior adult ladies YOGA class on Nov. 30th at 10:00 in the Brown Room, and we will have it on December 7 at 10:00 AM also.
- Advent Readers for November 29 – Journey Sunday school class
- Advent Readers for December 6 – Children's Sunday school class
- Golden Agers Lunch will be on Dec. 10 at 12:00 noon. Bring your dish and come join us for a great program – Eulalie will help us get into the Christmas spirit!
- Support our UMM's Bake Sale at Wednesday Night Supper on Dec. 9 and save a little baking time this Christmas!
- A big thank you to everyone who dropped off items for the "Called 2 Care" organization! Central UMC has shown great support of this worthy cause. I will be delivering the collected items next week for the foster care journey bags. Thank you CUMC!

