

- Praise team will have their regular monthly rehearsal on Sunday, February 7, at 5:00 PM in the sanctuary. Band members should plan to be here at 5; vocalists at 5:45.
- Thanks for the great music at the January 31 service! Your hard work is appreciated!
- Looking ahead: Our next praise and worship service will be held on Sunday, February 28, at 6:00 PM in the sanctuary. Please be here that day at 4:30 for practice.



- Children's choirs will meet on Wednesday, February 10 & 17, at 5:00 PM. If your child has not been participating in choirs and you are interested in more information, please contact Karla. We would love to have your child join us.
- Children are collecting food items for Backpack Blessings ministry from now through May. Please bring any donations that you have to the choir room or to Karla's office.
- Children's choirs will sing call to worship on February 7 for the 11:00 AM service. Please have children in sanctuary at 10:30 immediately following Sunday school.

- Handbell rehearsals will be held on Wednesday, February 10 & 17, at 5:00 PM in the handbell room. Please plan to be here.
- Thank you for the beautiful music last Sunday! We look forward to hearing you again on February 21.



- Choir rehearsals will be held on Wednesday, February 10 at 7:30 PM (due to the Ash Wednesday Service) and on February 17 at 7:00 PM in the choir room. Please plan to be with us! We have begun rehearsing music for Holy Week and Easter services in March and we need YOU there!
- Rehearsal cds of Easter music are available – please pick one up from the choir room if you haven't already.



Central's children are invited to join us on Friday afternoon, the 12th, for a Valentine's Day party for the special needs students in our schools. The party is from 4:00 to 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall. Please bring a box of Valentine cards to pass out to our guests. This mission project is an opportunity for you to spread the love of Jesus to others!

Make plans for your family to attend the Ash Wednesday service on February 10 at 6:40 PM. The service will be an awesome worship opportunity that you don't want to miss!

With much love,
Miss Suzanne

Catch the Spirit

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Fitzgerald, Georgia

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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

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

February Prayer Team: Dan & Frances Hudson, Myrtle Harper, Frances Whitworth.

Prayer Requests: Milam Wheeler, Sonya Ryan (sister of Stacey Bell), Anne O'Connor, Kay Faircloth, Christy Cagle

Calendar

Sunday, February 7, 2016

9:00 AM.....Early Worship
 9:15 AM..... Fellowship Breakfast
 9:45 AM..... Sunday School
 10:30 AM..... Children's Choirs meet
 11:00 AM..... Morning Worship
 2:00 PM..... Methodist Women General Meeting
 5:00 PM..... UMYF
 5:00 PM..... Praise Band Rehearsal
 5:45 PM..... Praise Team Vocalists & Band Rehearse

Monday

10:00 AM..... Senior Adult Ladies' Yoga
 4:00 PM..... Church Staff Meeting

Tuesday

10:00 AM..... Bible Study with B.J. (Fellowship Hall)
 2:00 PM..... Grief Support Group (Parlor)

Wednesday

11:00 AM..... Bible Study with Mike (Brown Room)
 5:00 PM..... Children's Choirs
 5:00 PM..... J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir (adults)
 5:45 PM..... Youth W.O.W.
 6:00 PM..... Fellowship Supper
 6:40 PM..... Ash Wednesday Worship (Sanctuary)
 7:30 PM..... Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

12:00 PM..... Senior Adults Valentine Luncheon

Friday

4:00 PM..... Valentine Party for Special Needs Children

Sunday, February 14, 2016

9:00 AM..... Early Worship
 9:15 AM..... Fellowship Breakfast
 9:45 AM..... Sunday School
 11:00 AM..... Morning Worship
 5:00 PM..... UMYF

Monday

10:00 AM..... UMW Group 1 with Anne Smith
 7:00 PM..... UMW Group 4 with Anna Brown

Tuesday

10:00 AM..... Bible Study with B.J. (Fellowship Hall)
 2:00 PM..... Grief Support Group (Parlor)

Wednesday

11:00 AM..... Bible Study with Mike (Brown Room)
 5:00 PM..... Children's Choirs
 5:00 PM..... J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir (adults)
 5:45 PM..... Youth W.O.W.
 6:00 PM..... Fellowship Supper
 6:30 PM..... Children's JAM
 7:00 PM..... Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Helpers for February

USHERS: Aimee 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, February 7, 2016

Rev. Mike Benson (9:00 AM)

Scripture: Luke 9:28-36

Liz Curtis Higgs (11:00 AM)

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Children's Choirs

Offertory: Celebration Choir

Postlude: Brian Morris

A/V Assistants: Riley Evans, Raines Evans

Breakfast: Action Life Class

Worship Notes for Sunday, February 14, 2016

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

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13

Sermon: "Lessons on Temptation"

Prelude: Becky Anderson


Call to Worship: Celebration Choir

Offertory: Mark Massee

Postlude: Brian Morris

A/V Assistants: Ward Burke, Colby Bell

Breakfast: New Beginnings Class

 Senior adults and members of our Golden Agers are invited to a Valentine Banquet on Thursday, February 11, at 12:00 Noon. Lydia and Susan are preparing the food for you – all you have to bring is your smile and don't forget to wear something red! Reservations are not required, but would be appreciated so we know how much to prepare. If you plan to join us, call Susan at 423-9381 and add your name to the list.

We will celebrate Valentine's Day at the Fellowship Supper on February 17 with a "Sweetheart Supper". Be sure to join us for this fun evening. Make your reservation before noon on Tuesday (Feb. 16). We will look forward to seeing you there!



Special Guest Speaker

on

Sunday, February 7

Liz Curtis Higgs

11:00 AM Worship Service



We are so excited about our Sunday School! We have great classes with some super teachers. If you find yourself wishing that you knew more about the Christian faith or perhaps had more Bible knowledge, Sunday School is the place for you. All of our classes are so welcoming to new members. Just give them a try.

Sunday school for our children and youth is so important. It is where they will learn the basics of the Christian faith and where they will deepen their relationship with Christ. It has been said that Christianity is only one generation away from extinction. Parents, be sure that your children are learning about Jesus both at home and at church!

Sunday school classes be sure to fill in those "brag strips" and turn them in. We want to share your good news!

"Let the wise hear and increase in learning..." *Proverbs 1:5*



United Methodist Women

General Meeting

All women of Central are invited!

February 7 • 2:00 PM in the Chapel

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 – February 10: Hamburger Steak with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cabbage, Biscuits, Salad Bar and Dessert.

Menu – February 17: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Fruit Salad, Salad Bar, Rolls and Valentine Dessert.

Name _____

Adults/Teens _____ # age 4-12 yrs. _____ # age 0-3 _____

February 10 _____ February 17 _____ Permanent Reservation _____

Join us for this special service as we begin our journey through Lent toward Easter. Worship will begin in the sanctuary at 6:40 PM. If you would like to join us for supper that evening, please be sure to make a reservation.

Supper will be served at 6 PM. Choir will begin at 7:30.



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Volunteers Needed

Our audio visual ministry is in need of volunteers to run power point and video cameras. We would love to have some committed volunteers who are willing to work a couple of Sundays each month on a rotating basis with other volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Karla or any of the friendly folks who currently work in audio visual ministry.

February 15
is



Remember to fly your flag!

The church office
will be closed.

- It's "Souper Bowl" Sunday! Bring your canned goods to the church this Sunday, February 7, along with your monetary donation for the Christian Kitchen! Anything you can give is appreciated!
- Ash Wednesday service will be at 6:40 PM on February 10 in the sanctuary.
- Our senior adult event for February will be on Thursday, February 11, at 12:00 noon. Lydia Cook and I will be cooking up a fine valentine meal for you and our sweet Eulalie will be singing a couple of songs for us. So put on your red, grab a friend (or come alone), and come join the fun!
- Communion Servers for service on February 14 – Jimmy & Betty Lynn Johnson, and Mike & Mande Bishop.



Adult Ministries

Susan



February 7

Canned goods and cash donations are needed. All donations benefit the local Christian Kitchen.