

Looking ahead: Music camp will take place July 26-28. Please put this date on your calendar. There is no charge for music camp, but it is helpful to know the number of participants. Please contact Karla to register your child.



Children's Choir

Praise team will not rehearse during the month of July. We will plan to practice on Sunday, August 7, at 5:00 PM.



Youth Choir The youth group will plan to lead the worship service on Sunday, September 25, at 11:00 AM. We are planning skits, scripture readings, speaking/sharing of testimonies, songs, and instrumental music as a part of the service. Please contact Karla if you are interested in participating in this service – plans are now underway. Watch the bulletin and your text messages for rehearsal/planning times.

We are now taking a well-deserved break from choir rehearsals on Wednesday night. However, we will still be leading worship for the 11:00 AM services each week during the month of July. Please plan to meet in the choir room each week at 10:40 to prepare for services. Thank you for your willingness to serve our church in this important capacity!



Kid's Korner I hope that all of you are enjoying your summer vacation! Our children's music camp will be July 26th through 28th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The camp is for rising K children 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 7th. Join us for fellowship, fun, and meaningful Bible study.

Please mark your calendars for our "Back to Sunday School" family cookout on August 6th!

With much love,
Miss Suzanne

Catch the Spirit

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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

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

July Prayer Team: Betty Abell, Virginia Snowden, Linda Brantley

Calendar

Sunday, July 10, 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
 5:00 PM Administrative Council Meeting
 6:00 PM College-age Bible Study

Monday

10:00 AM.....Senior Ladies Yoga
 1:30 PM Church Staff Meeting

Thursday

10:00 AM.....Senior Ladies Yoga

Sunday, July 17, 2016

9:00 AM..... Early Worship
 9:15 AM.....Fellowship Breakfast
 9:45 AM.....Sunday School
 11:00 AM.....Morning Worship
 6:00 PM College-age Bible Study
 6:30 PM UMM vs Youth Softball Game

Monday

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Thursday

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Helpers for July

USHERS: Becky Griffin, Harold Kimball, Terry Bishop, Clint Talton, Stacy Bell, Troy Vaughn.

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

Worship Notes for Sunday, July 10, 2016

Rev. B.J. Funk (9:00 & 11:00 AM)

Scripture: Genesis 45:8-14

Sermon: "The Making of a Man: Joseph's Story"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Celebration Choir

Offertory: Abby Holt

Postlude: Brian Morris

A/V Assistants: Riley Evans, Raines Evans, Angelica Hennessey

Breakfast: Journey

Worship Notes for Sunday, July 17, 2016

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

Scripture: Romans 6:5-11

Sermon: "Set Free: We're Alive"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

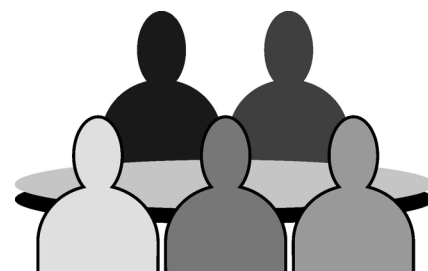
Call to Worship: Celebration Choir

Offertory: Masee McKinley

Postlude: Brian Morris

A/V Assistants: Ward Burke, Colby Bell, Justin Thompson

Breakfast: Covenant



COUNCIL MEETING

Administrative Council Meeting

July 10

5:00 PM

Chapel

- College-age Bible study on Sundays at the Foster's home. Thank you Mary Claire and Chance for leading this study for our college-age!



Adult Ministries

- Our Senior Adult Ladies YOGA for the month of July will be on July 7, 11, 14, 18, and 21. We will begin at 10:00 AM in the Brown Room. We will not meet the last week of July (25 or 28)

Susan



**February 4, 2017
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
UGA Tifton Campus
Conference Center**

A Christian Women's conference for women of all ages and all denominations who desire an "outrageous & contagious" day of worship and sweet fellowship with hundreds of "sisters" who seek to grow in their walk with God.

Central has purchased a block of tickets. If you would like to attend this conference with our Central "group", contact Karla Foster or B.J. Funk to purchase your ticket today.



How do you worship...?

For some worship is a quiet event, head bowed, quietly worshipping, for others worship is active, with singing or clapping hands. Perhaps He calls you to the altar rail for some one to one time. Whatever your "style" of worship, it is the attitude of the heart that is important. Does our worship point us toward God? Do we acknowledge God in his proper place – on the throne? Do we offer our praise to Him and thank Him for His many blessings. Are you able to praise Him in the difficult times (we grow most during our struggles)? Our style of worship is not so important as the fact that we do worship. One of the things that I love about Central is that we are free to worship as the Spirit leads us. That is not true in every church. So worship God however His spirit leads you and remember that God inhabits the praises of His people. I love that old song... "I'm goin'a sing when the Spirit says sing.....and obey the Spirit of the Lord"

I hope to see you in worship this week! If the Spirit says sing – we shall sing, and if the Spirit says shout...well I guess we can be "shoutin' Methodists" again!

Cindy

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

The Awakening 2016

The Awakening is a Men's Conference that will be held at the National Ag Center in Perry, Georgia on August 12 & 13. Conference speakers are Ken Bevel, Mike Huckabee, Jason Jimenez, Alex McFarland, Sonny Perdue, Marc Pritchett, Danny Singleton and Tim Worley.

The Christian man today is in a slumber. Satan's goal to render the Christian man ineffective and useless is becoming reality for much of the majority. We must awaken from this slumber and take back our roles as husbands and fathers, we must become leaders for God in our work places, our churches and within our communities.

For more information on The Awakening Conference or to order tickets go to TheAwakening2016.com

★ EXTRA! EXTRA! ★

Men's News



Methodist Men "Old Codgers"
–vs–
Youth "Whipper Snappers"

July 17

6:30 PM

Paulk Park Softball Field

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs
and more!

Bring the family!

We want to again thank all those who supported our Extreme Conference trip. We built relationships among our group and others, grew closer to our Savior, and had lots of fun. We want to fulfill any needs of church members or someone in the community. Last week we helped an elderly woman clean up her yard. Let us know of any needs.

Upcoming events:

July 10 - Youth Night, meet at church at 5:00 PM

July 20 - Feeding Band, meet at First Baptist Church at 12:00. Will go swimming afterwards.

July 24 - Meet at Church at 5:00 PM

