



- Children's choir rehearsals will be held on Wednesday, February 22 and March 1. We meet at 5:00 PM and are finished at 5:55. Please pick up your children each week from either the choir room or the playground.
- We are scheduled to sing on Sunday, February 19, for the 11:00 AM service. Please meet at 10:30 (right after Sunday School).
- Many of you have been bringing friends to choir each week – GREAT JOB! We are supposed to invite friends and family to church to share Christ's love with others. Keep up the good work!

- Remember our praise and worship service on February 26 at 6:00 PM. Band members need to meet at 4:00 PM for practice that day; singers at 4:30. We will have a light supper following the service – make plans to eat dinner with us!



- Your music blesses me each and every week and I thank God for each one of you! See you at rehearsal on February 22 and March 1 at 7:00 PM in the choir room.
- Heads up for March 1 – Ash Wednesday. We will have an Ash Wednesday service in the sanctuary immediately following our supper that night. Plan to begin rehearsal that night at 7:15. I encourage each of you to attend the Ash Wednesday service – it is always such a meaningful way to begin the observation of Lent and Holy Week.
- Looking ahead: Celebration Choir presents "Homeland" on Sunday, May 21, for 11:00 AM service. We will have a state flag presentation during this service. If any of you lived in other states for a time or have a special connection to a state (and would be willing to participate in the program), please let me know. I will need 50 volunteers!



- Handbells will play for the 11:00 AM worship service on Sunday, February 26. Please be here at 9:00 AM for rehearsal that morning.
- Rehearsals for the handbell choir will take place on Wednesday, February 22 and March 1, at 5:00 PM in the handbell room.



On February 26, the children will have "Kids Own Worship" during their children's church time. We will have a worship service just for kids in the fellowship hall. All children need to bring a friend to church with them on this day!

We will have Praise and Worship on February 26 at 6:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this fun service with your family! We will enjoy a fellowship supper with our church family after the service!

Our Ash Wednesday service will be March 1 at 6:30. Please plan to attend this meaningful service with your family!

Please mark your calendars:

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be April 15 at 10:00 am.
Central's Vacation Bible Camp will be June 4 through 6.

With much love, Miss Suzanne

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- Youth band will rehearse on Sunday, February 19, from 3:30-5:00 PM. We will plan to set up for our February 22 program on that day, so please come prepared to move instruments/speakers, etc. If any of your parents are willing to help, we won't turn them down!
- Youth Band is scheduled to play on Wednesday, February 22, for the fellowship supper program. Please plan to be here that day at 5:30 to warm up – meet in fellowship hall.



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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

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

February Prayer Team: Myrtle Harper, Barbara Cagle, Betty Dyess

Calendar

Sunday, February 19, 2017

9:00 AM Early Morning Worship
9:15 AM Fellowship Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
9:45 AM Sunday School For All Ages
11:00 AM Morning Worship
3:30 PM Youth Band Rehearsal
5:00 PM Methodist Youth Fellowship

Monday

10:00 AM UMW Group 1 with Linda Brantley
4:00 PM UMW Group 2 in Brown Room
6:00 PM Webelos Scouts (Brown Rm.)
7:00 PM UMW Group 4 with Lisa Young

Tuesday

5:00 PM Wolf Cub Scouts (Brown Rm.)
6:00 PM Tiger Cub Scouts (Brown Rm.)

Wednesday

5:00 PM Children's Choirs
5:00 PM J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir
5:45 PM Youth Worship on Wednesday
6:00 PM Fellowship Supper
7:00 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

10:00 AM Senior Adult Ladies' Yoga
5:15 PM Senior Adults Trip to DJ's

Sunday, February 26, 2017

9:00 AM Early Morning Worship
9:15 AM Fellowship Breakfast
9:45 AM Sunday School For All Ages
11:00 AM Morning Worship
4:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
5:00 PM UMYF
6:00 PM Praise & Worship

Monday

10:00 AM Senior Adult Ladies' Yoga
5:00 PM UMW Group 3 in the Parlor
6:00 PM Webelos Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday

5:00 PM Wolf Cub Scouts (Brown Rm.)
6:00 PM Tiger Cub Scouts (Brown Rm.)

Wednesday

5:00 PM Children's Choirs
5:00 PM J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir
5:45 PM Youth Worship on Wednesday
6:00 PM Fellowship Supper
6:40 PM Ash Wednesday Worship Service
7:00 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

10:00 AM Senior Adult Ladies' Yoga

Helpers for February

USHERS: Aimee Layfield, Dale Wilson, Garrett McCord, Bobby Chasteen, Chris Hughes, Mike Foster, Tosha Martin.
WORSHIP TECHNICIANS: David Evans, Dwain Smith, Tony Moncus, Jim Owens, Parker Wiley.

Worship Notes for Sunday, February 19, 2017

Rev. B.J. Funk (9:00 & 11:00 AM)
Scripture: Ephesians 2:19-27
Sermon: "Jesus, Our Cornerstone"
Prelude: Brian Morris
Call to Worship: Angel & Joy Choirs
Offertory: Abby Holt
Postlude: Brian Morris
A/V Assistants: Riley Evans, Raines Evans, Angelica Hennessey
Sunday School Greeter: Don Woeltjen
Breakfast: Action Life Class
Tellers: Andy Johnson, Dianne Engelmann, Barbara Cagle

Worship Notes for Sunday, February 26, 2017

Rev. Wayne Racz (9:00 & 11:00 AM)
Scripture: John 15:1-8
Sermon: "Relationships"
Prelude: Becky Anderson
Call to Worship: J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir
Offertory: J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir
Postlude: Brian Morris
A/V Assistants: Ward Burke, Colby Bell, Justin Thompson
Sunday School Greeter: Pat & Joyce Ashley
Breakfast: New Beginnings
Tellers: Barry Peavey, Beth Bryant, Cindy Morris

We extend our love and sympathy to Bob & Julie Jenkins upon the death of Bob's Son, Charles "Chuck" Jenkins. A memorial service for Mr. Jenkins was conducted on January 26 in Albany, Georgia. Please keep the Jenkins family in your prayers.



Central Youth (6th-12th) meet every Wednesday night at 6:15 for Bible Study. If you want to eat before please get there a little before 6:00. UMYF will start back meeting regularly on Sunday evenings. The High School wrestling season is over!!! Roger will continue to send out information about upcoming events. The youth had a great time at Winter Jam. They were

blessed by the praise and worship. Thanks to Suzanne and everyone who helped make this trip a success.

What is Shrove Tuesday?

Have you ever wondered why people tend to eat pancakes on the day before Ash Wednesday? Shrove Tuesday is held on the day preceding Ash Wednesday. It signals the end of Epiphany and the beginning of Lent (a time of penance and renewal) in the liturgical calendar. Its name comes from the term "shrive" which refers to the ritual of confession for sins leading into the season of Lent. Historically during the season of Lent the faithful were forbidden to consume meat, butter, eggs or milk. However if a family had a store of these foods they would use them up no later than Shrove Tuesday (also known as Fat Tuesday). And so, with the addition of a little flour, the solution quickly presented itself in the form of pancakes. We hope that you will join us for Fellowship Supper on Wednesday, March 1, for a traditional pancake supper before joining us in the sanctuary for our Ash Wednesday Worship. Worship will begin at 6:40. If you plan to join us for supper, please remember to make a reservation.

Begins on February 26
 6:00 PM – Praise & Worship • Followed by Fellowship Supper



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 LIVE THE WORD.

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 \$7 for adults/teens; \$5 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 22: Fried/Baked Chicken, Mac 'n Cheese, Green Beans, Salad Bar, Dessert

Menu – March 1: Shrove/Pancake Supper

Name _____

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

February 22 _____ March 1 _____ Permanent Reservation _____

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Helping those in need

"For the past two Saturdays, members of your Church have set aside all else to help us put the pieces back together after the tornado came through Turner County. They are the hardest working bunch of folks I have ever seen! I don't know what we would

have done without them. May God bless your congregation and your mission work. We serve an awesome God who is able to do abundantly above all that we could ask or imagine and we are so thankful that He sent all of you our way.

The Gravitt Family of Ashburn

To our church family,

Thank you so very much for all the love and care expressed to us during Danny's recent illness and recovery. Your cards, prayers and other expression of love were very much appreciated.

Danny & Lisa Young



March 1 is Ash Wednesday. Worship will begin at 6:40 PM in Central's sanctuary. We hope that you will plan to join us for this special service as we begin our season of Lent.



Thank you to all who gave so generously on Souper Bowl Sunday. Because of your gifts the food pantry at the Christian Kitchen was replenished and we were able to make a cash donation of \$1,276.00. The Christian Kitchen is such a wonderful ministry and there is a great need in our community for the work they do.

- No YOGA on February 20 (UMW day.) We will have YOGA on February 23 and 27

- Senior Adults meet at the church by 5:15 to go to DJ's on Thursday, February 23.

- P&W service on February 26 at 6:00 with supper to follow.

- 40 Days in the Word small group Bible study starts the week of February 26. If you aren't already assigned to a group, call me at the church office.



Adult Ministries

Susan