



- Choir rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, October 24 from 6:50 – 7:45 PM. There will be no rehearsal on October 17 due to BHCS Fall Break.
- We will have an additional rehearsal on Sunday, October 21, at 4 PM in the sanctuary.

- Handbell choir will have rehearsals on October 24 at 5pm in the handbell room. No rehearsal will be held on October 17 due to BHCS Fall Break.
- Handbells will be playing for the October 14 service at 11 AM. Please plan to meet at 9 AM for practice.



† Children's choirs will meet on Wednesday, October 24, in the choir rooms located directly behind the sanctuary. Please let me know if you need a cd of our Christmas musical, "The Christmas County Spelling Bee." Parts have been handed out already so please encourage your child to begin memorizing their lines and solos. Let me know if you need another copy of their part. There will be no children's choirs on Wednesday, October 17, due to BHCS Fall Break.



- † Joy Choir will sing with the Celebration Choir for Homecoming (October 28) and Christmas program (December 9). A cd with these 2 songs was given to them. Let me know if your child needs one.
- † Joy Choir will rehearse their Homecoming song with Celebration Choir at rehearsal on October 24. Please plan to bring your child immediately following JAM. We will meet in the sanctuary and finish by 7:15.
- † Extra rehearsals for the Christmas play will be held on the following dates: October 23 for Charlie, Cassidy, Jackson, Madi, Gregory, Anna Marie, Banks, Maci, Natalie, and Davis. These rehearsals will take place in the sanctuary from 4-5 PM. Please drop off/pick up children in front of sanctuary.
- † Looking ahead: No rehearsals on October 31.



- Wednesday night band rehearsals have been moved to Sunday afternoons. Watch for text messages about our next rehearsal.
- Youth Choir will rehearse on Sunday, October 21, at 4:30 prior to UMYF at 5 PM. Meet in the sanctuary.

- The Youth Choir will sing the call to worship for October 21 service. Please plan to meet at 10:30 AM immediately following Sunday school to practice.
- Youth will need to attend Celebration Choir rehearsal on Wednesday, October 24, immediately following youth that evening to go over our Homecoming song. Meet in the sanctuary – we will finish by 7:15.



Operation Christmas Child shoebox and box labels are now available. Shoebox collection/dedication day will be Sunday, November 11. Our goal is 100 boxes this year! Pick up a box and begin filling it today!

- **Homecoming** – October 28 with Rev. Don Adams. Join us for worship and our traditional covered dish lunch.
- **All Saints Sunday** – November 4. Be present as we celebrate the lives of those in our membership who have died in the last year.
- **Charge Conference** – November 11. Committee Chairpersons, turn in your reports by October 5.
- Community Thanksgiving Service – November 18. Hosted at Central UMC.
- **First Sunday of Advent** – December 2. Children's Christmas Program 11 AM.
- **Second Sunday of Advent** – December 9. Celebration Choir Christmas program, 6 PM.
- **Christmas Eve Communion** – December 24 at 6:00 PM.



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Your delegation wants to hear from you! Your delegation is providing several opportunities for you to lend your voice to the Way Forward conversation taking place all across the denomination.

Listening Posts – If you have something to say, we want to hear it. Join several members of the delegation for a time of informal conversation where you can give voice to any concerns you have. **October 11:** The Chapel, Brunswick, 10AM-Noon; **October 17:** Centenary UMC, Macon, 10AM-Noon; **October 25:** Cordele First UMC, 10AM-Noon.

Online Input Form – Can't make one of the Listening Posts? We still want to hear from you. Leave your input at <https://sgaumc-reg.brtapp.com/inputfordelegation>.

Please reach out to us if you have any comments, concerns or questions.
Clergy: Don Adams; Jay Hanson; Bob Moon; Jim Cowart; *Alternates:* Denise Walton; Scott Hagan. **Laity:** Bill Hatcher; Allison Lindsey; Larry Price; Carl Childs; *Alternates:* Marianne Wright; Richard Shinhoster.

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Our Prayer Concerns . . .

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

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

Calendar

Sunday, October 14, 2018

9:00 AM..... Early Morning Worship
 9:15 AM..... Fellowship Breakfast
 9:45 AM..... Sunday School For All Ages
 11:00 AM..... Morning Worship
 12:00 PM..... Youth Lunch
 2:00 PM..... United Methodist Women Exec. Comm.(Library)

Monday, October 15

10:00 AM..... UMW Group 1 with Kay Faircloth
 4:00 PM..... UMW Group 2 in the Brown Activity Room
 6:00 PM..... Wolf Scouts (Fellowship Hall)
 7:00 PM..... UMW Group 4 in the Brown Activity Room

Tuesday, October 16

5:30 PM..... Bear Scouts (Brown Rm)
 6:30 PM..... Men on Target (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, October 17

No Wednesday events/activities

Thursday, October 18

10:00 AM..... Senior Women's Yoga
 5:30 PM..... Tiger Cubs (Brown Rm)
 5:30 PM..... Prime Timers in the Park

Friday, October 19

6:30 PM..... Tailgate Party, All Ages

Sunday, October 21

9:00 AM..... Early Morning Worship
 9:15 AM..... Fellowship Breakfast
 9:45 AM..... Sunday School For All Ages
 10:00 AM..... Youth Band Meets
 11:00 AM..... Morning Worship
 4:00 PM..... Celebration Choir Rehearsal
 4:30 PM..... Youth Choir Rehearsal
 5:00 PM..... Administrative Council (Chapel)
 5:00 PM..... Methodist Youth Fellowship

Monday, October 22 - Newsletter & Worship Bulletin Information Due

10:00 AM..... Senior Women's Yoga
 4:00 PM..... Church Staff Meeting (Parlor)
 6:00 PM..... Wolf Scouts (Brown Activity Room)

Tuesday, October 23

9:30 AM..... Preschool Chapel
 4:00 PM..... Joy Choir Rehearsal (see schedule)
 5:30 PM..... Bear Scouts (Brown Activity Room)
 6:30 PM..... Men on Target (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, October 24

5:00 PM..... Children's Choirs
 5:00 PM..... J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir Rehearsal
 5:45 PM..... Youth WOW and Fellowship Supper
 6:00 PM..... Fellowship Supper
 6:15 PM..... Youth Wow, Children's JAM
 6:50 PM..... Celebration Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 PM..... Children/Youth attend Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 25

10:00 AM..... Senior Women's Yoga (Brown Room)
 5:15 PM..... Senior Adults Trip to DJs
 5:30 PM..... Tiger Cub Scouts (Brown Activity Room)

Helpers for October

USHERS: Chris Hughes, captain; David Hobby, Mike Foster, Bobby Chasteen, Tosha Martin, Mike Bishop, Aimee Layfield.

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

A/V ASSISTANTS: Ward Burke, Haley Braddy, Raines Evans, Riley Evans, Cody Thompson, Blaine Layfield.

Worship Notes & Helpers the week of October 14, 2018

Rev. Dr. Rich Wright (9:00 AM)

Scripture: James 1:12-18

Sermon: "The Lord's Prayer: Lead Us Not Into Temptation"

Rev. Dr. Rich Wright (11:00 AM)

Scripture: John 6:1-15

Sermon: "The Lord's Prayer: Give Us Today Our Daily Bread"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir

Offertory: J.J. Pryor Handbell Choir

Postlude: Brian Morris

Breakfast Hosts: New Beginnings

Sunday School Greeter: Anna Brown

Acolytes: Charlie Burke, Analee Mann

Children's Church Helpers: Rob & Amber Hughes, Heath & Mia Parrish

Church Offering Tellers: Jimmy Johnson, Patricia Walker

Worship Notes & Helpers the week of October 21, 2018

Rev. Dr. Rich Wright (9:00 AM)

Scripture: Revelation 5:6-14

Sermon: "The Lord's Prayer: Kingdom, Power and Glory"

Rev. Dr. Rich Wright (11:00 AM)

Scripture: James 1:12-18

Sermon: "The Lord's Prayer: Lead Us Not Into Temptation"

Prelude: Becky Anderson

Call to Worship: Celebration Choir and Congregation

Offertory: Youth Band and Choir

Postlude: Brian Morris

Breakfast Hosts: Women of Faith/Barnabas

Sunday School Greeter: Don Woeltjen

Church Offering Tellers: Wyndi Damato, Darrell Weeks

Celebration of Hymns

"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound." "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine." "Rock of ages cleft for me." Lines from a few of my favorite hymns.

Beginning on Wednesday, October 24, the program that I will present after supper is "Celebration of Hymns." I will share the backstory of many of our favorite hymns. Some of them will have you laughing, while others will have you crying. All of them will show the grace and mercy of God.

Make your reservation for supper and join in the celebration. You will receive a blessing! See you there!

Your Servant In Christ, Pastor Rich



The United Methodist Women Executive Committee will meet on October 14 at 2 PM in the church library. All UMW members are welcome to attend.

Hello everyone, I am so happy to be your new Director of Children's Ministry! We are going to have so much fun together as we learn about Jesus. I hope you will all give our new and revitalized Sunday School a try (9:45 AM every Sunday). We also have Children's Church every Sunday morning during worship. JAM (Jesus and Me) time will continue on Wednesday evenings. I look forward to seeing all of Central's children each Sunday and Wednesday. Volunteers are needed to help keep these programs going, please contact me at 457-3967 for more information.



Our Fall Festival was awesome! We all had such a good time and you guys and girls painted some very interesting pumpkins. Thank you to the youth and the many parents who helped make it a FUN Fall Festival.

See you Sunday! Mrs. Christina



Many of you have inquired about ways to help Andy & Mandy Johnson as their precious Ashlynn continues her chemo treatments. As always, your prayers are very much welcomed. If you would like to do something a little more "hands on" may we suggest Meal Train. Go online to <https://mealtrain.com/00y68z> to schedule a night that you can take a meal to them.

If you are interested in signing up for a slot to teach youth Sunday school and are Safe Sanctuaries certified or willing to complete your certification, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/ycolec8w> to sign up.



"Men on Target" Men's study group meets the 1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays (unless otherwise announced) at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All men are invited to participate. This study is facilitated by Pastor Rich. Mark your calendar and plan to participate in this men's group.

Praying for the Body of Christ

Each week we are praying for those in ministry in other areas of the South-Central District. Our upcoming prayer focus includes:

- Week beginning October 14: New Prospect United Methodist Church and their pastor Dwayne Tanner.
- Week beginning October 21: Northeast District Superintendent, Chris Ramsey.



Charge Conference is Sunday, November 11. All committee chairpersons and committee members are asked to be present for this very important annual meeting with our District Superintendent. Our traditional soup & sandwich supper will begin at 5 PM and Charge Conference will begin at 6 PM.

Reservations must be made by 3:00 PM each Monday.

Reservations can be made via phone, email, or you may fill in the form printed below and place it in the offering plate. Please understand, if you make a reservation and do not come or cancel it you are expected to pay. Food will be prepared only for the number of reservations. The serving line is open from 5:45 to 6:15 PM. Cost is \$7 for adults/teens; \$5 children (ages 4-12); children age 3 or younger are free. There is a \$25 limit per family (living in the same home).

Menu: October 17 – No Supper

Menu: October 24 – Chicken Pot Pie, Salad Bar

Name _____

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

October 24 _____ Permanent _____



Happy fall! I hope you will have a fun-filled but restful fall break. Sorry to our friends who go to school in other counties! I hope you all have a great week, too.

On October 14, we will have Sunday school at 10:00. Instead of a night event, we will go out to lunch at 12:00 and return at 1:00. If you are able to bring \$5, please do. Hope to see you there!

There will be no Wednesday night activities at church on October 17 due to fall break.

On October 21, we will have Sunday school at 10:00. That night, I have Administrative Council. Some of your parents do as well, so to make it easy, we will meet at the church a little before 5:00, and Chance and the Browns will take you to dinner! We will return at 6:00. Please note the time change! Bring \$5 if you are able.

Finally, thank you so much to all of our wonderful volunteers! The youth program would not be possible without you. If you feel led to teach a youth Sunday school class, even if just once, please sign up by visiting the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/ycolec8w>. Remember, too, that you can contribute to the redecoration of our youth room by visiting our Amazon Wish List at <http://a.co/hWXYNFL>. Lastly on the volunteering end, please let me know if you would like to be a part of our haunted trail October 28! We need our "scariest" people. :) Thanks again!

Much love to you all! *Mary Claire*

UMW Odds & Ends Sale

Central's United Methodist Women will hold an "Odds & Ends" sale on November 2 & 3. Donations for this sale are needed. Please save your garage sale items. All donations are welcome. For more information about making a donation, contact Charlene Hatcher at 425-0240.

The Administrative Council will meet on Sunday, October 21 at 5 PM. Council members are especially encouraged to attend. All CUMC members are invited to attend.



Sunday, October 28 is Homecoming 2018! Worship will begin at 10:30 AM. Please note there will not be a 9 AM worship service and there will be no Fellowship Breakfast. The traditional covered dish will be served in the Fellowship Hall following worship. We are pleased to announce that our former District Superintendent and friend of Central, Rev. Don Adams, will be our guest preacher. Mark your calendar now and make plans to join us for a special day of worship and fellowship.



✦ For Central folks going on the ARK trip, please be at Arbor Baptist Church by 6:15 AM to load luggage on the charter bus. Bring a small neck pillow and blanket to use on the bus. Bring a jacket too since the high temp in Kentucky is expected to be in the 60's.

✦ No Wednesday Night Supper on October 17th.

✦ Prime Timers (ages 45ish-65ish,) we are meeting at the park in front of the Grand Theater to hear an acoustic performance at 5:30 PM on October 18th. I will be ordering pizza from Cirillos. Please let me know if you plan to join us so I will know how much pizza to order. You will need to bring your own drinks.

✦ Our adult ministries (all ages) tailgate will be on October 19th. Bring your drinks and chips and the church will provide the hotdogs and hamburgers. We will meet at the FHS practice field by the stadium at 6:30 PM. Please email, call, or text to let me know you are planning to come so I can know how much hotdogs and hamburgers to grill. I appreciate it so much!

✦ Ad Council meeting at 5:00 on Oct. 21st.

✦ Senior Adults are going to DJs at 5:15 PM on October 25.

Susan Hughes