



New Day School Director

The Day School board is excited to introduce **Camela Nixon** as the Central United Methodist Day School director beginning after the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year. Camela has a long and deep connection to the Day school. As a child Camela attended our Day school. As a mother, Camela sent her children to our Day school. As a teacher, Camela taught in our Day school. Camela Nixon has deep roots in, and a deep love for, Central United Methodist Day School. The Day School Board wholeheartedly believes Camela Nixon is an outstanding choice, from among a group of exceptional candidates, to serve as our director in this exciting new season of ministry and care for our children. Please continue to pray for this ministry, specifically regarding enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year.

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Our Middle School Class is meeting in the (old Youth Room) which is now the Kindergarten Classroom, and our High School Class is meeting in the former College Classroom for our Sunday School time while our Youth area is getting a face lift.

NO MYF! We will not meet this evening. Enjoy the time with family!! *Please Note: All of our regularly schedule activities and offerings will not be happening this week. Have a safe Easter Break!

WEEK OF HOPE TEAM: Check your email! All Team Members should have registered online by now!

CONFIRMATION RETREAT ORIENTATION: We will gather next Sunday, April 23rd, following the 11:00 Service to go over all the details. Your payment will be due at that time.

Community Call Out!

Join us May 6th for
Play Daze!

Who: Friends and family of Lindley Park, Greystone, and
Asheboro Communities

What: Creative and Imaginative Play

When: May 6th, 10am-12pm*

Where: Lindley Park Playground

312 Cliff Road, Parking Lot on Glenwood

Why: Kick off our Outdoor

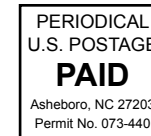
Learning Environment playground
renovations and fundraising

*While Play Daze activities will be packing up at noon,
we invite you to bring a picnic lunch and visit!

Hosted by:

Randolph Partnership for Children and
Lindley Park Elementary School

Please send questions to lindleypto@gmail.com



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DID YOU KNOW?.....

Currently, remodeling is taking place to provide a space specifically for youth, middle and high school, including a larger area for fun and fellowship with two adjoining Sunday School classrooms. The Trustees approved the \$17,000.00 project with the idea that a significant amount of the labor will be and has been donated, making the final cost for less than the above figure. Demolition is complete, the ceiling has been fogged (\$1581.19), the electrical wiring is complete, and we have an estimate of \$3750.00 to finish the floor. This is an exciting time for the youth of our church and community. Plans for a celebration when the project is complete is in the works!



Lillie Pearl Wood Nursing Scholarship



If you live in Randolph County and have been accepted in an accredited school of nursing, you may be eligible to apply for the Lillie Pearl Wood Nursing Scholarship (\$1000.00/year for full time students) Contact the Church Office for an application. Deadline is June 20.

CUOC Items

Any item

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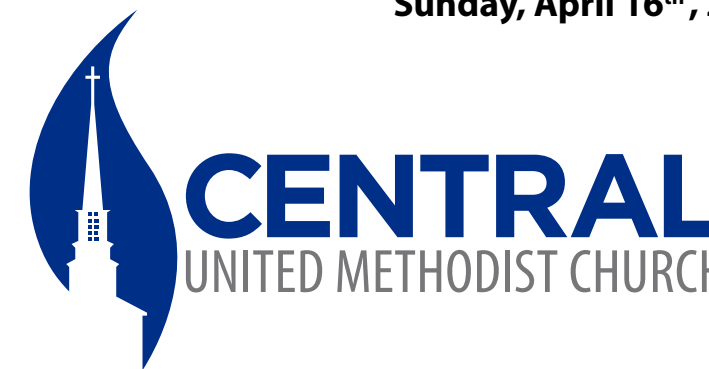
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Our Mission is to follow Jesus, make disciples and transform the world.

We are about making connections — connecting people to God and to each other.

Who Is Jesus?

The Bible tells us that Jesus entered Jerusalem on His way to the cross and subsequently, the empty tomb, to crowds of people shouting "Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." As Jesus entered Jerusalem at the start of that historic week, the throngs of people seemed to be aware of who He was and why He had come to the city.

But immediately after the arrival of Jesus, and even before the shouts of "Hosanna" had faded away, Matthew records these words:

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in an uproar, saying, "Who is this?"

¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

(Matthew 21:10-11)

After rejoicing in His arrival, the crowds of people were asking about Jesus, "Who is this?"

Even today, many are unclear about just who Jesus is and what He has done.

As we approach Easter, take a moment to consider once more just who is this Jesus.

Jesus is the One who seeks and saves the lost.

¹⁰"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost." (Luke 19:10)

Jesus is the One who takes away the sin of the world.

²⁹The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Here is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29)

Jesus is the One who gives His life as a ransom.

²⁸..."The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Matthew 20:28)

Jesus is the One who gives us life in abundance.

¹⁰..."I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance." (John 10:10)

Jesus is the One who bears our sins on the cross.

²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree; so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

Jesus is the One who reveals to us the true God.

⁹Jesus said..., "Have I been among you all this time and you do not know me...? The one who has seen me has seen the Father." (John 14:9)

Jesus is the One who reveals to us the truth.

³⁷Jesus replied. "I was born for this, and I have come into the world for this: to testify to the truth." (John 18:37b)

Jesus is the One who reigns as the rightful King of our lives.

¹³He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves. (Colossians 1:13)

This Easter I invite you to join me in heartfelt worship and overwhelming gratitude for this Jesus who came to live among us on earth, and who gave His life for us on the cross to save us from our sins, and rose again on the third day to open up the door to us for everlasting life!

Pastor J.F.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday April 16 th 2017	Easter Sunday	8:45AM
CENTRAL DRAMA TEAM	Quem Quaeritis ? (Whom Do You Seek?)	
WORSHIP SONGS	"Alive Forever Amen" "The Wonderful Cross"	Praise Team
*TIME OF GREETING		Heather Cagle
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Fred Huffstetler
TIME OF THANKSGIVING		Fred Huffstetler
PRAYER		
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	1 Peter 1:3-4	Pastor J. F.
³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴ and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.		
GIVING OF GIFTS		
OFFERTORY SPECIAL	"Didn't He"	Johnny Bunch
SCRIPTURE	Acts 10:34-43 (See insert)	
MESSAGE	Easter Is For Everyone SERIES: enAct	Pastor J.F
CLOSING SONG	"Above All"	Praise Team
AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP <i>The kneeling rail in the United Methodist Churches has traditionally been a place of prayer. If you have made a decision today that you would like to express publicly; if you would like to join this church on a profession of faith or by transferring your membership, or if you have a need for prayer, you are invited to come forward at this time. Decisions that could change your life are made at the altar.</i>		
DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		Fred Huffstetler

LAST SUNDAY WAS A GREAT DAY at Central UMC! We were blessed to enter a special place of worship and praise under the anointed leadership of our Praise Team and our Chancel Choir! Many thanks to Ralph Davis and the wonderful singers and musicians of the Central Praise Team for their moving Palm Sunday Day Of Praise during our 8:45 am service! During the 11:00 am service our Chancel Choir inspired us with their musical "Seven Victories Through The Blood." We are grateful for the leadership of Barbara Strider, Joy Menius, the Chancel Choir, and our guest string section. God blessed us in powerful worship throughout the entire morning of services. Thank you again to each of you who made it a holy, special, and meaningful day of praise and worship!

USHERS 8:45 AM
Tammie Walker, Tim Dunn, Ross & Debbie Reaves

GREETERS 8:45 AM -
Kathy Norris & Judy Oliver

USHERS 11:00 AM
CHAIRMAN – Dee Bulla
Captain - Hal Powell, Jerry Little, Ray Hargett, Bill McAnulty, Dean Lail, Tony Pugh, Boyd Thomas, Tom Allred

GREETERS 11:00 AM - Don Barrett, Vicki Jarrell, Nancy Hardin, Amy & Alan Pugh

CUMC Attendance	
April 9 th	
Contemporary Worship	170
Traditional Worship	204
Total Worship	374
Sunday School	173

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday April 16 th 2017	Easter Sunday	11:00 AM
PRELUDE		Joy Menius
THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR		
CALL TO WORSHIP	"Early In The Morning"	McCormick
CENTRAL DRAMA TEAM	Quem Quaeritis? (Whom Do You Seek?)	
*HYMN OF PRAISE	"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"	#302 (UMH)
*A TIME OF GREETING		Fred Huffstetler
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Fred Huffstetler
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	1 Peter 1:3-4	Pastor J.F
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OFFERTORY		
*DOXOLOGY		#94(UMH)
TIME OF THANKSGIVING		Heather Cagle
PRAYER FOR OTHERS		
THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)		#895 (UMH)
<i>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven, give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom the power and the glory forever. Amen.</i>		
ANTHEM	"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" <i>Immortal, invisible God, only wise, in light in accessible hid from our eyes. Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above, thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; All laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.</i>	Mark Hayes
*HYMN OF PREPARATION	"Up From the Grave He Arose"	#322(UMH)
*Children leave for Children's Church		
SCRIPTURE	Acts 10:34-43 (See Insert)	
MESSAGE	Easter Is For Everyone SERIES: enAct	Pastor J.F.
HYMN OF RESPONSE	"Crown Him with Many Crowns"	#327 (UMH)
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*CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION.		Pastor J.F.
*POSTLUDE		*Congregation please stand if you are able.

An Easter Victory Offering will be received today in both services to support our outreach for Mission Adonai Church. Special Easter Offering envelopes are available.



*Sincere Sympathy
from the Staff & Congregation to the
family of Marshall Williams who passed
away Saturday April 1st and to the
Family of Betty Gheen who also passed
away Saturday, April 1st.
Sympathy is also extended to Joy Menius &
family at the passing of Joy's Father,
Hal Hussey on Saturday, April 8th.*

Memorials & Gifts

BUILDING FUND
In Memory of Mike Hunter
By Ruby Hunter
In Memory of Helen Phillip
By Her Family
In Memory of JB Allen
By Norma Connell
In Memory of Lela "Denny" Harris
By Marion & Ann Asbill

CHAPEL RENOVATION FUND
In Memory of Betty Gheen
By Christian Homemakers Class
By Wednesday Morning Prayer Group
By Imogene Bulla

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND
In Memory of JB Allen
By Barry & Kathleen Osborne

CHOIR FUND
In Memory of Hal Hussey
By Ed & Linda Dunn



HAPPENING THIS WEEK... CUMC Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY, April 16th
8:45 AM – Contemporary Worship
9:45 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Traditional Worship
6:00 PM – NO MYF
MONDAY, April 17th
OFFICE CLOSED
5:30 AM – Cardio
TUESDAY, April 18th
5:45 PM – Pilates
6:00 PM – NetworX
7:00 PM – Open Gym
WEDNESDAY, April 19th
10:00 AM – Morning Prayer Group
1:00 PM – Chair Chicks
6:30 PM – Hand Bells
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir
7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
10:00 AM – Women's Bible Study
THURSDAY, April 20th
5:30 PM – Cardio
7:00 PM – Open Gym

April

16 Max Frazier
Richard Lewallen
William Ford

17 Ray Scott
Phillip Hughes
Mitchell Johnson

18 Meredith Menius
Marcia Parks
Jeremiah Osteen
David Marley

19 Sidney Craven
Tracey Byerly
Nathaniel Skinner

20 Jackie Chewing
William Moon
Cymbra Lowe
Jason Caviness

21 Cindy Lowe
Barry Yates

22 Tom White
Dr. Todd Williams
Melanie Richey
Brian Hopkins
Josh McDowell
Sadie Richau