

Children & Family Ministries



We have planned a fun trip to the Preppy Possum for a painting class on Saturday, May 20th at 1:00. The children will be painting a cross. The cost is \$25 per child and this is available for all children kindergarten through 8th grade. We only have 19 spots so if you would like for your child to come, please let me know ASAP. I will open this event up to our Kinderfrogs at the Day School and others in the community if we are not full by May 8th. Your child may bring a friend to participate!

The start of **Kid's Ahoy** is right around the corner!!! Fred and I are working diligently to plan great events for your children this summer. The events will be on Tuesdays, beginning June 13th! This is for our children at Central, kindergarten through 5th grade (completed), as well as the children in our community! Please share this information with other parents so that they are aware of this awesome opportunity!

I'm excited to announce that Vacation Bible School for 2017 will be July 24th-28th. With our curriculum "Maker Fun Factory", the children will learn that they were created by God and they are built for a purpose! You are God's masterpiece!!! I will begin recruiting volunteers very soon. Please let me know if you are willing to serve this year!

Children's Ministry is in need of two volunteers who are willing to teach our Sunday School Cross Trainers class (4th and 5th graders) once a month. We will provide curriculum, as well as any materials needed for that Sunday. This need must be filled by the end of May, so please be in prayer about this wonderful opportunity to sew into the life of a child!

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.

MYF: We kick things off with dinner at 6:00 pm! Don't miss out on the fun and fellowship!!

TBC: There's something special about a warm breakfast, sharing in an encouraging word, and lifting each other up in prayer to start the day. We'd love to see U at Chick-fil-A this Tuesday morning at 6:54 AM!

G*FORCE (Movie Run): Gentlemen! Come go with us to see "Guardians of the Galaxy, Vol. 2" this coming Tuesday, May 9th! Your 3D ticket cost is just \$7.00!! We will meet to leave from the church at 5:30 pm.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY: Invite a friend to meet you at Wesley Williams' house tonight from 7:03 till 8:33. Makes for a great time of discussion and fellowship! Bring your Bible!

BREAK THRU: It all happens this Thursday from 6:00 till 8:30 pm. We'd love for YOU to join us!

MOTHER'S DAY BULLETIN: This is the FINAL day to turn in names for the year's Mother's Day Bulletin! Don't forget that special Mom! Names are listed In Honor Of, In Memory Of, and Who By With Love. We're asking \$1.00 donation per name. Thanks for your support! *Please Note: We will not mail the Mother's Day Bulletin out with our church bulletin. If you will not be here that Sunday, and would like a copy – please contact the church at (336) 629-1425 and we'd be glad to send you one.

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Did you know that the heating system for the sanctuary is the original system that was installed when the sanctuary was built in 1967? The "resistance heat" really makes the meter spin! Your trustees are currently obtaining quotes for replacement of the heating and air conditioning system which could reduce HVAC costs by fifty percent or more.



SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY:

On Sunday, June 4th, we will recognize all of our High School Graduates! If you are graduating from College – please contact the church office to let us know the date of your graduation, the college or university you're graduating from, and what degree you're receiving along with a phone number, so we can confirm if need be.

CUOC Items
Any item

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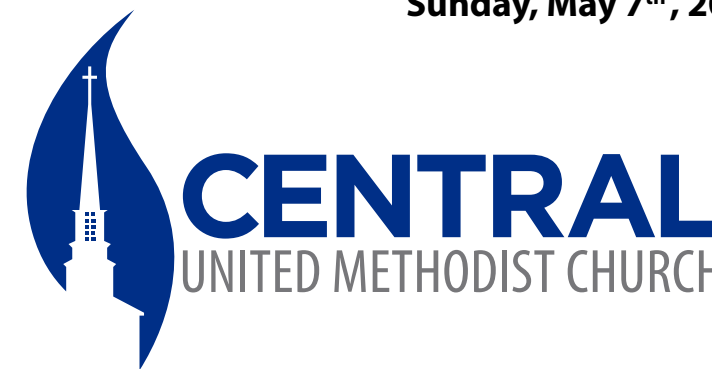
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Sunday, May 7th, 2017



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.

Better Together

I recently attended a meeting of the Wesleyan Covenant Association [for more information go to <https://wesleyancovenant.org>]. The theme of the meeting was "We Believe In The Church." The central idea behind the gathering was to acknowledge and declare the words of the Council of Constantinople in 381 AD that "**we believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church.**"

I came away from the worship and teaching of this gathering renewed and inspired with the potential of the church today.

Here are a few brief thoughts about what it means to say "**we believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church.**"

1) The church is "one."

The Bible describes the church as the Body of Christ on earth. There is one body, with many parts. Even though there are many local churches and various denominations, the Church of Jesus Christ is characterized by its oneness and unity.

The church has power to accomplish amazing things when it works together in unity. The early church modeled that for us:

³² All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all.

--Acts 4:32-33

2) The church is "holy."

A "holy" church is not a sinless or flawed church, but a church that has been raised up and set apart for God. The church is holy because God is holy, and works in the church to make it holy. The Apostle Paul described the church with these words:

² To the church of God... to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people.

--1 Corinthians 1:2a

3) The church is "catholic."

When I see the word "catholic" my first thought is the Roman Catholic Church, but the word "catholic" refers to the worldwide, or universal church, not just the Church of Rome.

One of the speakers at the Wesleyan Covenant Association meeting, Dr. Billy Abraham, said that at its root, the word "catholic" means "*according to the whole.*" To say the church is "catholic" is to understand that we are part of something much bigger than ourselves, or just our own local congregation!

The Apostle Paul speaks of the "catholic" church when he writes:

²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

--Ephesians 1:22-23

4) The church is apostolic.

To say the church is "apostolic" has a two-fold meaning. First, the church was founded on the message and teachings of the apostolic. Jude tells us that our message is to focus on the gospel which is "**the faith that was delivered to the saints once for all**" (Jude 3). Paul tells us that the church is "**built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself the cornerstone**" (Ephesians 2:20).

Secondly, the word "apostolic" means "sent." To say the church is "apostolic" means that we are sent into the world to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. Jesus Himself put it this way:

²¹ ... "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

--John 20:21b

I believe in "one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church." When we are at our best, the church is the most powerful organization on the planet. I am glad you are a part of this church. Truly, we are better together!

PASTOR J.F.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday May 7 th 2017	Fourth Sunday of Easter	8:45AM
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Heather Cagle	
OPENING PRAYER	Heather Cagle	
WORSHIP SONGS	"Mighty Is Our God" "Every Move I Make"	Praise Team
*TIME OF GREETING		Fred Huffstetler
TIME OF THANKSGIVING PRAYER		Fred Huffstetler
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Psalm 23:5	Pastor J.F.
⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.		
GIVING OF GIFTS		
OFFERTORY SPECIAL	"Jesus"	Praise Team
SCRIPTURE	Acts 2:42-47 (See insert)	
MESSAGE	"Deep And Wide"	Pastor J.F.
SERIES:	enAct	
CLOSING SONG	"Change My Heart O God"	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

USHERS 8:45 AM
Tammie Walker, Tim Dunn, Rick Flickinger

GREETERS 8:45 AM -
Tim & Debi Setzer



CUMC Attendance

April 30th

Contemporary Worship 114

Traditional Worship 195

Total Worship 309

Sunday School 162



USHERS 11:00 AM
CHAIRMAN – Michael Smith
Captain – Charles Swiers,
Alice Hammond, Mike King,
Roland Cox, Dick Renigar,
Jack Mitchell, Bo Davidson,
Steve Morgan, Wayne Hartley

GREETERS 11:00 AM -
Rachel Hargett, Deborah Martin, Gracie Allred, Betty Pugh, Bonnye York,
Susan Swiers

May Days are here and it's COOKOUT TIME!

Our SPRING FLING is **Tuesday, May 9th,**
@ 11:30 am at Lake Lucas picnic shelter. The church
van will leave at 11:15 for those who need a ride.

Menu includes grilled hot dogs with all the
trimmings, plus homemade desserts. Don't miss
this great year ending event. As always, come, bring

a friend and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Have a safe and blessed
summer and see you in September.

EXPERIENCE THE WISDOM KEEPERS DIFFERENCE AND HAVE A GOOD TIME!



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday May 7 th 2017	Fourth Sunday of Easter	11:00 AM
PRELUDE	"Come Ye sinners, Poor and Needy" arr Linda Lamb	Handbells
THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR CALL TO WORSHIP		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Fred Huffstetler
*HYMN OF PRAISE	"He Leadeth Me"	#128(UMH)
*MISSION STATEMENT (In Unison)		Fred Huffstetler
<i>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.</i>		
*THE APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)		#881 (UMH)
<i>I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, *the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen</i>		
*THE GLORIA PATRI		*Universal Church #70(UMH)
*A TIME OF GREETING		Fred Huffstetler
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Psalm 23:5	Pastor J.F.
⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.		
OFFERTORY	"Just As I Am" arr. Cathy Moklebust	Handbells
*DOXOLOGY		#94(UMH)
TIME OF THANKSGIVING PRAYER FOR OTHERS		Heather Cagle
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	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Soloist, Bev Lawrence	from Kingdom by Clydesdale
Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father. There is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not. As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be. Great is Thy faithfulness, morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand hast provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto Thee. Summer, winter, springtime and harvest. Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness, to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.		
*Children leave for Children's Church		
SCRIPTURE	Acts 2:42-47 (See insert)	
MESSAGE	"Deep And Wide"	Pastor J.F.
SERIES:	enAct	
HYMN OF RESPONSE	"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	# 474(UMH)
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>		
*CLOSING PRAYER		Pastor J.F.
*POSTLUDE		*Congregation please stand if you are able.

Memorials & Gifts

BUDGET FUND

In Memory of Hal Hussey
By Charles & Carolyn Link
By Jerry & Nancy Little
By David & Irene Allen
In Memory of Betty Gheen
By David & Irene Allen
In Memory of Helen Powell
By Talmadge & Sara Baker
In Memory of Denny Harris
By David & Irene Allen
In Memory of Dorlos Steed
By David & Irene Allen
In Memory of Mary Lou Priest
By Bill & Shirley McAnulty
By Talmadge & Sara Baker
By Charles & Carolyn Link
In Memory of JB Allen
By Mary Isley
In Memory of Marshall Williams
By Jim & Lynne Finison
In Honor of Birthdays
Kathryn Chrismon, Emily Matkins & Carolyn Cox
By Bill & Shirley McAnulty

CHOIR FUND

In Memory of Hal Hussey
By Talmadge & Sara Baker
By Mary Isley
In Honor Of Chancel Choir
By Mary Isley

BUILDING FUND

In Memory of Mary Lou Priest
By Rusty & Alice Hammond
By Norma Connell
By Richard & Betty Pugh
By Charles & Jaci Betts
By Mary Lois Powell
By Ann & Lloyd Hamlet
By Tammie Walker
By Dr. J.F. & Rev. Kari Howard
By Charles & Susan Awiers
By JC & Suzette Winkler
By John & Emily Matkins
By Jerry & Wanda Bowman
In Memory of JB Allen
By Bill & Robin Croom
In Memory of Hal Hussey
JC & Suzette Winkler

CHAPEL RENOVATION FUND

In Memory of Betty Gheen
By Nancy Hardin
By Mary Isley
In Memory of Mary Lou Priest
By Becky Hughes
By Nancy Hardin
By Imogene Bulla
By Mary Isley
By Les & Marilyn Fowler
By Christian Homemakers Class
In Memory of Denny Harris
By Bonnye York

VAN FUND

In Memory of Mary Lou Priest
The Wesley Class
LOCAL MISSIONS
In Memory of Mary Lou Priest
By David & Dianne Leonard
DAYSCHOOL FUND
In Honor Of Heather & Staff
By Mary Isley
In Honor of Thursday Bible Study



May

07 Bruce Edwards
Carla Freemyer
Tracey Smith
09 Jimmy Curran
10 Matt Charlesworth
Ryan Sullivan
11 Preston Hall
Erin Rich
Mary Billips
12 Clara Durham
Chris Bulla
Sarabeth Roberts
13 Robin Vanhoy
Adam Glass

HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

CUMC Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY, May 7th

8:45 AM – Contemporary Worship
9:45 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Traditional Worship
6:00 PM – MYF

MONDAY, May 8th

5:30 AM – Cardio
1:00 PM – Chair Chicks

TUESDAY, May 9th

7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
5:45 PM – Pilates
11:30 AM – Good Times / Lake Lucas
6:00 PM – NetworX
7:00 PM – Open Gym

WEDNESDAY, May 10th

10:00 AM – Morning Prayer Group
1:00 PM – Chair Chicks
6:30 PM – Hand Bells
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, May 11th

7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
5:30 PM – Cardio
5:30 PM – Trustees Meeting
7:00 PM – Open Gym