

Children & Family Ministries



We are gearing up for Vacation Bible School 2017 which 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 am recruiting volunteers and would be thrilled to add you to our team! Please let me know if you are willing to serve this year! Now is the time to register your child and his/her friends for VBS here at Central!

Go to vbspro.events/p/cumcasheboro.

KIDS AHOY REGISTRATIONS: LAST CHANCE! Turn your registration form in TODAY!! This exciting ministry is for all K thru 5th Grade students this past school year! Don't miss out on this summer of FUN!! Extra copies of the brochure are in the display rack outside Fred's office and on our website! Questions? See Heather or Fred!

KIDS AHOY EVENT! Our first exciting Kids Ahoy event takes place THIS Tuesday, June 13th! We're headed to Wet 'n Wild for the day. Registration opens at 8:00 AM! Bring your balance in cash, along with your swimsuit, a beach towel & sunscreen! Wear last year's Kids Ahoy t-shirt or a "navy" colored tee over your swimsuit. We'll return that afternoon at 5:30 pm.

YOUTH NEWS

THANK YOU FROM OUR SENIORS!! Special Thanks to Kris Julian for the slideshow, Donna and Spencer Patton for the table prep & decorations, and to Rachel Hargett, Emily Matkins, Shirley & Bill McAnulty and Iris Ragland for the yummy brunch!! It was very much appreciated!! Love, the Senior Class & Families

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Our Middle School and High School Classes are meeting in their new space now! We hope to see you this Sunday morning!

WEEK OF HOPE TEAM MEETING: We will continue our prep & planning this afternoon at 5:00 pm! Bring your packets! We'll have more info to add to them. (BRING your "community gift" - 24 pairs of socks!)

MYF (Summer Schedule): We meet tonight from 6:00 till 7:15 pm. Come join in on the FUN! We may even grab a bite to eat afterwards if you can stick around. (Bring a little money just in case!)

G*FORCE: Gentlemen! How about some Frisbee Golf?! Meet me at the church @ 5:00 PM. We'll head north of town and enjoy some frisbee FUN!! (I'll bring the liquids!) Text Fred @ 336-302-0624 if you can be there!

GIRL STUFF: Plans are underway for an exciting summer for our High School & Middle School GIRLS! We're getting together this Thursday, June 15th! Text Rebekah Sugg @ (336) 963-6941 for all the exciting details...

Missions Awareness Luncheon Sunday June 25th

Please join us for a Grilled Chicken Lunch and Salad with make your own Ice Cream Sundae dessert between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM in the Family Life Center on June 25th. Come enjoy lunch and see what outreach mission activities are being done now and share with us your ideas as to what other outreach activities we can do to impact our community for Christ. Donations at that time of any amount, check or cash, to support Central's Mission Programs will be much appreciated.

CUMC Missions Committee



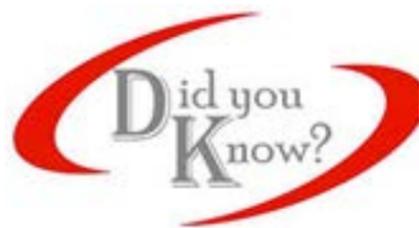
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Did you know we are called as God's stewards to manage that which belongs to God? Our church building requires daily cleaning to maintain a healthy, beautiful place to worship! It costs \$2610.00 a month to keep our building clean. Thank you for being good stewards of all He has given us!

The Broadway Musical "Motown" is coming to the Durham Performing Arts Center on Thursday night, August 3rd. Holiday Tours will be hosting the trip. They will be leaving the church around 3:30pm, stopping for dinner (not included in cost) and the musical begins at 7:30pm. Cost for discounted tickets for the musical are \$53.15 and a bus trip fee of \$22.00. If you would like more information, please contact Sharon Morgan @ 336-953-9367.



The Three Musketeers are coming to Asheboro. In fact, they are already here! They have been rehearsing here in Central's FLC so if you see sword fighting... don't be alarmed! You can find out more information at www.rhinoleap.com The production will be on June 23, 24, 25 & 29, 30 & July 1 at the Asheboro High School Performing Arts Building with performances at 8:00pm with Sunday Matinee's at 2:00pm.

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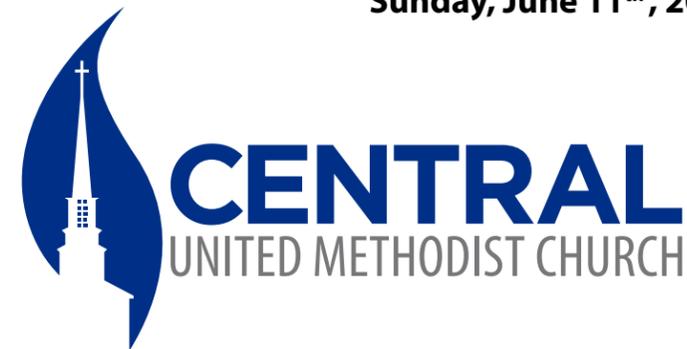
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Sunday, June 11th, 2017



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.

Heart Problems

The psalm writer once declared, **"My problems go from bad to worse. Oh, save me from them all!"** {Psalm 25:17}

Have you ever felt like that?

There are those seasons when it seems like we just go from problem to problem and each problem goes from bad to worse.

When it comes to problems in life, how do you typically respond?

Do you ignore them (and hope they just go away)?

Do you deny them?

Do you run from them?

Do you make excuses for them?

Do you blame them on someone else—a friend, a neighbor, a family member, a co-worker, the devil (or just anyone else but yourself)?

Do you pray and ask God to take your problems away?

We are about to start a new series called "What's Your Problem?" The truth is that everyone has problems. You are certainly not alone in yours! The real question is, "What are we going to do about them?" That is what our series will focus on for the next few weeks.

C.S. Lewis wisely said, **"Life with God is not immunity from difficulties but peace in difficulties."**

Jesus once said that the root of many of our problems lies in the human heart:

"... All of you listen," he said, "and try to understand. It's not what goes into your body that defiles you; you are defiled by what comes from your heart..." ²¹ **For from within, out of a person's heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness.** ²³ **All these vile things come from within; they are what defile you.**" {Mark 7:14-15, 21-23}

According to Jesus the heart of the problem is that we all have a heart problem!

The Old Testament prophet Jeremiah agreed with Jesus:

"The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is?"

{Jeremiah 17:9}

So what is the remedy for our "heart problems?" The Book of Proverbs declares, **"Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life."**

{Proverbs 4:23}

The Bible teaches us that we need to "guard our heart" because it determines the direction and the destination of our life. We need to guard our heart like a valued treasure. If our heart is sick, our life will be sick. If our heart is well, our life will be well. The way to guard our heart is to:

- 1) keep our heart in align with God and God's Word (daily reading and study of the Bible; weekly worship);
- 2) confess quickly to God as soon as we become aware of sin in our heart (*"But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness."* (1 John 1:9);
- 3) protect our heart by resisting the infection of the world's priorities to penetrate into our lives.

Our series, "What's Your Problem?" begins on June 11. I hope you will be there for it. We are to meet the problems we face head on, and see what the Bible says we can do about them!

Pastor J.F.

