

## 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!!! We are in need of 5 more crew leaders to fully staff our team this year. Please call me @ 336-629-1425 if you would be willing to serve. Now is the time to register your child and his/her friends for VBS here at Central!

Go to [vbspro.events/p/cumcasheboro](http://vbspro.events/p/cumcasheboro).

### Kid's Ahoy

It's a Kid's Ahoy Family Night and we're headed to McCrary Park for an Asheboro Cooperheads Baseball game this Thursday, July 6th! Registration opens at 6:30pm. Wear your new 2017 Kid's Ahoy t-shirt! Your registration includes your game ticket and a hot dog! Bring additional money for drink and snacks!

### YOUTH NEWS

**MYF** (Summer Schedule): Join us this Sunday from 6:00 till 7:15 pm. (Dinners will resume in the Fall!)

**GIRL STUFF:** Call or Text Rebekah Sugg @ (336) 963-6941 for the details...

**G-Force:** Gentleman, keep your eyes open and ears to the ground for our next adventure! Call or Text Fred @ 336-302-0624 for more information!



Ahoy mateys!  
Summer Adventures in Theatre  
presents

**Treasure Island**  
at the Sunset Theater

June 30th at 7pm & July 1st at 10:30am and 3pm

Come support Central's very own  
**Jodi Huffstetler, Aaron and Jessica Atwell,**  
plus many other youth from our community.

Tickets are \$6 and are available at the door  
or in advance from any cast member.

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Since it's founding in 2004 in memory of Adam Petty, Victory Junction, a NASCAR-themed camp for children ages 6-16 with chronic medical conditions or serious illnesses, has served, free of charge, children from all 50 states and around the world as part of the Serious Fun Children's Network during 10 weeks each summer.

From the beginning, members from Central have volunteered at the camp each Friday, June through August, making up beds in 16 cabins for the incoming campers.

Having heard about the new camp at a Kiwanis Club meeting, following the 40 Days of Purpose study in 2004, the Good News Sunday School class chose as its service project the Victory Junction Gang Camp. Over 530 hours were spent at the camp the first year making up beds for the incoming campers. They were dubbed the "Final Lap Gang" since they were the last group each week after the campers had left.

Now in its 14th year, what started out as a Good News Sunday School class project, has become an emphasis of the Missions Committee and continues under its leadership. Members meet at the church at 8:30 am and travel together to Level Cross.

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.

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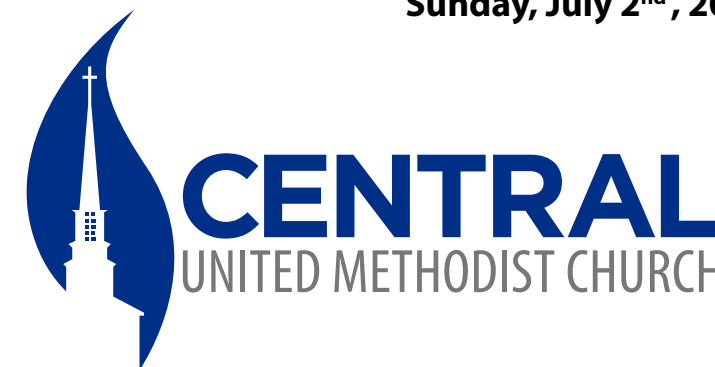
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Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017



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.

### Free Indeed

One of the most famous lines in the Declaration of Independence is this:  
**"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."**

The framers of this declaration and the founders of our republic believed it was the right of every person to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Every year on July 4th our nation takes time to remember and celebrate our freedom. We do it with cookouts, parades, fireworks, concerts, trips to the coast, the lake, or the mountains, speeches and public assemblies.

The framers of the Declaration of Independence rightly understood that there is something deep within our human nature that desires to be free—free to live life to the fullest; free to pursue happiness.

What I have observed over the years is that many people are not free. In fact, countless people are captive, enslaved and in bondage to a variety of issues, struggles, worries, pains and problems.

Jesus came to offer us in reality what the Declaration of Independence offers us in theory—real freedom. Jesus put it this way:

<sup>36</sup>**So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free** {John 8:36}.

California pastor, Rick Warren declares that Jesus came to give us freedom in three important areas of our lives. Warren states:

- 1. Jesus wants to set you free from the pain of your past.**
- 2. Jesus wants to set you free from the pressures of today.**
- 3. Jesus wants to set you free from pessimism about tomorrow.**

Briefly, let me share with you three simple ideas on how to find freedom in Jesus.

First, name the thing that enslaves you. Is it a habit, a hurt, an attitude, or a behavior? Call it by name.

Second, take this thing to Jesus and leave it with Him. See yourself putting it in the hands of Jesus. You have given it to Him to redeem, to renew, to restore.

Third, turn away from this thing and go in the opposite direction. In the Bible this step is referred to as "repentance." It means that we put our struggles, our issues, our hurts and habits in the hands of Jesus, and we begin to live as people who have been set free from them by the redeeming love of Jesus Christ.

The Apostle Paul give us two great insights on living free in Jesus, in his letter to the Galatians. Look at what he says:

<sup>1</sup>**So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law** {Galatians 5:1}.

<sup>13</sup>**For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love** {Galatians 5:13}.

This 4th of July remember that ultimately our life is found in Jesus; our liberty is found in Jesus, and our happiness is found in Jesus. I hope you have a happy 4th of July, and enjoy your freedom in Jesus Christ!

Pastor J.F.

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday July 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2017	Fourth Sunday in Kingdomtide	8:45AM
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Heather Cagle	
OPENING PRAYER	Heather Cagle	
WORSHIP SONGS	"America The Beautiful"	
	"Amazing Grace My Chains Are Gone"	Praise Team
*TIME OF GREETING	Fred Huffstetler	
TIME OF THANKSGIVING	Fred Huffstetler	
PRAYER		
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Galatians 5:13	Pastor J.F.
"For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love."		
GIVING OF GIFTS		
OFFERTORY SPECIAL	"Old Church Choir"	Praise Team
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 9:27-31 (See insert)	
MESSAGE	"Yes Lord, I Believe"	Pastor J.F.
SERIES	What's your Problem?	
CLOSING SONG	"Be The Center"	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 -**  
Jim & Wendy Kinlaw

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

**GREETERS 11:00 AM -** Judy Phillips, Bob Phillips, Kaye Bryan,  
Susan Huffstetler, Nancy Little



American Red Cross Blood Drive  
**July 13th** 2-7 pm in the FLC  
Come and give the gift of life!



Office will be closed Tuesday, July 4th.  
Have a safe & happy Fourth of July!

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PRELUDE		Joy Menius
THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR		
CALL TO WORSHIP		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Fred Huffstetler
*HYMN OF PRAISE	"God of the Ages"	#698 (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>		
		*(Universal Church)
*THE GLORIA PATRI		#70(UMH)
*A TIME OF GREETING		Fred Huffstetler
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Galatians 5:13	Pastor J.F.
"For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love."		
OFFERTORY		
*DOXOLOGY		#95(UMH)
TIME OF THANKSGIVING		Heather Cagle
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	"America the Beautiful"	Arr. John Ness Beck
O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee. And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea. O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life. America! America! May God thy gold refine till all success be nobleness and every gain divine. O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea. America, the beautiful, the free!		
<b>*Children leave for children's church</b>		
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 9:27-31 (See insert)	
MESSAGE	"Yes Lord, I Believe"	Pastor J.F.
SERIES	What's Your Problem?	
HYMN OF RESPONSE	"America"	#697 (UMH)
AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP		
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*CLOSING PRAYER		Pastor J.F.
*POSTLUDE		

\*Congregation please stand if you are able.

## Memorials & Gifts

### BUDGET FUND

**In Memory of Barry Warren Hall**  
By Good News Class

### LOCAL MISSIONS

**In Honor of Networx Volunteers**  
By Ben & LoriAnn Owen

**In Honor of Emily Matkins**  
By Charles & Jaci Betts

### BUDGET FUND

In memory of our daughter  
Karen Kirkman McKinney,  
BSN, RN on her birthday, July 5th  
Roy & Donna Kirkman

### BUILDING FUND

**In Memory of Marshall Williams**  
By Kathryn Chrismon

**In Memory of Barry Warren Hall**  
By Larry & Janice Simpson  
By Harris & Patty Sanders

**In Memory of Max Frazier**  
By Randy & Cynthia Allen

**In Memory of Harold Asbill**  
By Larry & Janice Simpson  
By Randy & Cynthia Allen

### PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

**In Memory of Mary Lou Priest**  
By Evelyn Reaves



## July

- 02** Hank Maddux
- 03** Bobby Yow  
Jeanne Lamb  
Becky Durham  
Justin Parks
- 04** Mallory Nardin  
Jake Walker
- 05** Teresa Highfill  
Erica Norris
- 06** Char Fisher  
Heather Jurgensen  
Kaitlin Malpass
- 07** Pervis Greene  
Phillip Waugh
- 08** Craig Allred  
Maurici Dulin  
Connor Bryant

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK... CUMC Weekly Schedule

**SUNDAY, July 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
8:45 AM – Contemporary Worship  
9:45 AM – Sunday School  
11:00 AM – Traditional Worship  
**TUESDAY, July 4<sup>th</sup> Office Closed**  
7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"  
6:00 PM – Pilates  
7:00 PM – Open Gym  
**WEDNESDAY, July 5<sup>th</sup>**  
10:00 AM – Morning Prayer Group  
**THURSDAY, July 6<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"  
6:00 PM – Kids Ahoy Copperheads Game  
5:30 PM – Cardio  
7:00 PM – Open Gym  
**FRIDAY, July 7<sup>th</sup>**  
8:30 AM – Victory Junction Bed Making



## CUOC

Presents

## Randolph's Got Talent Variety Show

An evening of entertainment & fine dining

**July 14th - 7:00pm**

AVS Banquet Center

Tickets \$60.00

Tickets can be purchased at  
Monroe's Music & Jewelry, CUOC  
or contact Jim Kinlaw @  
jbkj2001@yahoo.com