

Children & Family Ministries



Thank you for partnering with us through VBS to provide clean drinking water for the people of Peru! Not only do the people of Peru get clean drinking water, Living Water International will share the gospel of Jesus Christ with them! The money just keeps coming in...I am in awe of your generosity!

Kid's Ahoy

On Tuesday, August 8th, Kid's Ahoy is setting off on a day full of fun! We will begin with a the movie 'Sing' at Randolph Mall, followed by lunch at Chick-Fil-A, then off to an afternoon pool party at Tot Hill Swim Club! Please arrive at 8:00 am, and pick up your child up at 5:30 pm. Don't forget your swimsuit, towel and sunscreen!

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Let's grow together! Join us for Sunday School & Worship this week! (Note: Promotion Sunday for both of our Sunday School Classes takes place on Sunday, August 27th!) We will welcome our NEW 9th Graders & NEW 6th Graders that morning!!

SPIRITUS ORIENTATION: Our Orientation will take place this Sunday following Youth Group at 7:15 pm. ALL those going AND a parent need to be here at 7:15 pm in order to finalize any necessary paperwork, answer questions, and so we can go over all the exciting details!!

MYF (Summer Schedule): How about some ping pong, foosball & more? We meet from 6:00 till 7:15 pm this Sunday. Hope to see YOU there!

G*FORCE: Gentlemen! Text Fred @ (336) 302-0624 for plans with our next upcoming get-together...

GIRL STUFF: Girls text Rebekah Sugg @ (336) 963-6941 for details with the next get-together...

6th GRADE WELCOME! Get ready!!! We will welcome all of our NEW 6th Graders to Youth Group after Labor Day on Sunday, September 10th!!



The 8:45 and the 11:00 Services will be held in the Family Life Center until further notice. Thank you for your patience while they are working on the new heating & air system for the sanctuary.

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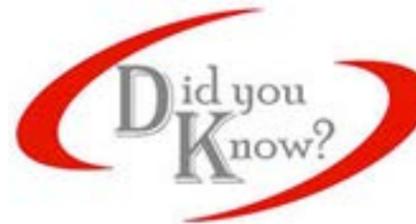
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Fellowship, fun and food!

Did you know..... that the West Bend UMC serves a free hot meal every Tuesday from 12:00-1:30 in their fellowship hall? A group from Central UMC try to give the men who prepare the food at West Bend a break once a month. We usually cook and serve the meal on the fourth Tuesday of each month beginning in August. If you are interested in helping our small group prepare the meal, please call Vicki Moss at 336-953-2561.

Network for Hope Randolph Needs Your Help

We will be starting our third NETworX class on August 15. We need your help in preparing a lite meal or providing childcare for our participants. We meet for a common meal at 6:00 PM each Tuesday through November 14. If you would be willing to provide a meal one night please call Judy Oliver at 336-953-4030 to schedule a date.

If you can help with child care please call Wendy Kinlaw at 336-338-3310



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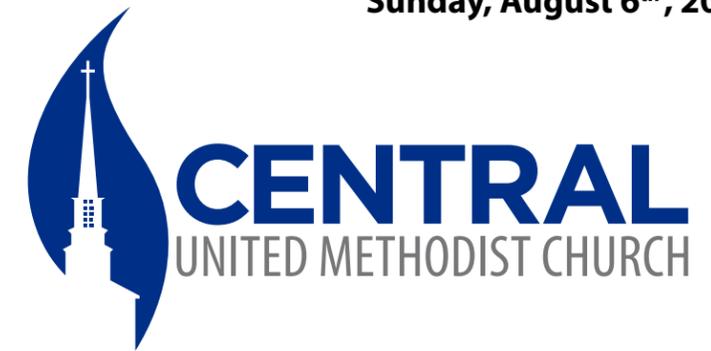
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Sunday, August 6th, 2017



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.

The Antidote For Kryptonite

Some of my favorite childhood memories were of watching the reruns of The Adventures Of Superman, starring George Reeves. The show stopped producing new episodes before I was born, but remained on TV in syndication. Because I was so enamored by the exploits of Superman I have burned into my psyche the following (see if you are old enough to remember it too!):

"Faster than a speeding bullet! More powerful than a locomotive! Able to leap tall buildings at a single bound!"

"Look! Up in the sky!"
"It's a bird!"
"It's a plane!"
"It's Superman!"

"Yes, it's Superman - strange visitor from another planet who came to Earth with powers and abilities far beyond those of mortal men. Superman - defender of law and order- champion of equal rights, valiant, courageous fighter against the forces of hate and prejudice, who disguised as Clark Kent, mild-mannered reporter for a great metropolitan newspaper, fights a never-ending battle for truth, justice and the American way."

Just rereading those words brings back memories!

Superman has long been famous for his near indestructible nature — super strength, super speed, X-ray vision, the ability to fly, and many other attributes. As for weaknesses, Superman had only one...kryptonite. Exposure to kryptonite could render Superman defenseless.

This summer during our series "What's Your Problem?" I have been thinking a lot about the root cause of our struggles and challenges. What is the "kryptonite" for the human condition? My best thinking leads me to say it is pride. Nearly all our problems are the consequences of pride, because pride over values our human strength and under values God's strength.

Pride is a declaration to God that we can handle life on our own and we see no need for God's help.

The psalm writer summarized it this way: **"In his pride the wicked does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God."** {Psalm 10:4}

Another consequence of pride is that we end up shouldering things alone that God never meant for us to bear. We feel as though we have to carry a load by ourselves that God offers to carry for us. Jesus said it this way:

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." {Matthew 11:28-30}

The remedy for pride is the humble surrender of all that we are to all that God is. In Proverbs we read,

⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. {Proverbs 3:5-7}

Our pride is dealt with when we acknowledge that there is a God in control of the world, and that God is not us! Humility is knowing that leaning on God for strength is far better than leaning on our own power. As we surrender to God we find we are stronger than when we tried to stand up under our strength alone.

Pride is kryptonite to the human soul, but the grace of God is the means by which we stand (see Romans 5:2). We are never stronger than when we humbly surrender our weaknesses to God and stop deceiving ourselves by pride.

Pastor J.F.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday August 6 th 2017	Ninth Sunday in Kingdomtide	8:45AM
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Heather Cagle	
OPENING PRAYER	Heather Cagle	
WORSHIP SONGS	"Your Grace Is Enough"	
	"What A Beautiful Name"	Praise Team
TIME OF THANKSGIVING PRAYER	Fred Huffstetler	
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Colossians 2:6-7	Pastor J.F.
<p>⁶So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.</p>		
GIVING OF GIFTS		
OFFERTORY SPECIAL	"Chain Breaker"	Praise Team
SCRIPTURE MESSAGE SERIES	Luke 18:9-14 (See insert) The Puffer Fish Deception What's your Problem?	Pastor J.F.
CLOSING SONG	"Give Us Clean Hands"	Praise Team

ORDER FOR THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
 AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
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.

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Fred Huffstetler

USHERS 8:45 AM	CUMC Attendance
Tammie Walker, Tim Dunn, Ross & Debbie Reaves	July 30 th
GREETERS 8:45 AM - Holly & Jack Embree	Contemporary Worship 80 Traditional Worship 154 Total Worship 234 Sunday School 171
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 - Jerry Tugwell, Wanda Tatum, Peter Brisley, Mary Lynn Brisley, Norma Connell

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Central is offering 3 different studies this fall for women:

Beth Moore's, **Breaking Free** Mondays, Sept. 11 - Nov. 20 at 10:00 AM in the FLC conference room. To register, contact Vicki Moss at vicki.moss@gmail.com or 336-953-2561.

Priscilla Shirer's, **Armor of God** Wednesday, Oct. 4 - Nov. 15 at 7:00 PM (location TBA). To register, contact Joanne Moffitt at jlwmoffitt@gmail.com or 336-629-9996.

Beth Moore's, **Daniel** Thursdays, Sept. 14 - Dec. 14 at 10:00 AM in the FLC conference room. To register, contact Betsy Kozlow at bkozlow@triad.rr.com or 336-302-0680. Childcare will be provided, but must be registered.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday August 6 th 2017	Ninth Sunday in Kingdomtide	11:00 AM
PRELUDE		Bev Lawrence
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Fred Huffstetler
*HYMN OF PRAISE	"I Love To Tell The Story"	#156 (UMH)
*MISSION STATEMENT (In Unison)	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.	Fred Huffstetler
THE APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)	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	#881 (UMH)
*THE GLORIA PATRI		*(Universal Church) #70(UMH)
*A TIME OF GREETING		Fred Huffstetler
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Colossians 2:6-7	Pastor J.F.
<p>⁶So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.</p>		

OFFERTORY Maggie Jane Kern
 *DOXOLOGY #95(UMH)
 TIME OF THANKSGIVING Heather Cagle
 PRAYER FOR OTHERS Heather Cagle
 THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison) #895 (UMH)

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.

ANTHEM "God Is My Strong Salvation" Austin Lovelace

God is my strong salvation: What foe have I to fear?
 In darkness and temptation, my light, my help is near;
 Though hosts encamp around me, firm in the fight I stand.
 What terror can confound me, with God at my right hand?
 Place on the Lord reliance; my soul with courage wait;
 His truth be thine affiance, when faint and desolate.
 His might thy heart shall strengthen; His love thy joy increase;
 Mercy thy days shall lengthen; The Lord will give thee peace.

***Children leave for Children's Church**
 SCRIPTURE Luke 18:9-14 (See insert)
 MESSAGE The Puffer Fish Deception Pastor J.F.
 SERIES What's Your Problem?
 HYMN OF RESPONSE "Lord I Want To Be A Christian" #402 (UMH)

AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
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*CLOSING PRAYER Pastor J.F.

*POSTLUDE
 *Congregation please stand if you are able.



August

- 06 Sharon Newby
- 07 Harry Sanders
Karen Raines
Henry Salers
- 08 Gretna Bonkemeyer
Susan Silvers
Ellen Byrum
- 09 Dawn Morgan
- 10 Shirley Turner
Ray McNeill
Tammy Pugh
Rex Henry
Amber Rose Queen
- 11 Michelle Crawford
Larry Trotter
Tyson Kistler
William Moon
Edward Rumley
- 12 Mike Brewer
Julie Jacobi
Barbara Illig



Congratulations to Reg & Carla Freemyer at the birth of their new granddaughter Hannah Joy Huprich Born July 18th 2017 Parents: Jason & Erin Huprich Big sister Julianne & brother Luke

Memorials & Gifts

BUILDING FUND
 In Memory of Ed Ellis
 By Steve & Melodie Andrews
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 By Wells Fargo Private Bank

HAPPENING THIS WEEK...
CUMC Weekly Schedule
SUNDAY, August 6th
8:45 AM – Contemporary Worship / FLC
9:45 AM – Sunday School
11:00 AM – Traditional Worship / FL
4:45 PM – Confirmation Class
6:00 PM – MYF
MONDAY, August 7th
TUESDAY, August 8th
7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
8:00 AM – Kids Ahoy / Movie & Pool Party
6:00 PM – Pilates
6:00 PM – NetWorx
7:00 PM – Open Gym
WEDNESDAY, August 9th
10:00 AM – Morning Prayer Group
THURSDAY, August 10th
7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
7:00 PM – Open Gym
FRIDAY, August 11th
SATURDAY, August 12th
7:30AM – Men's Coffee Break @ THE TABLE

Victory Junction Final Lap Volunteers

Thank you for your commitment on Fridays to make beds this summer! Your service was greatly appreciated by the staff and by the campers who came to enjoy a week of summer fun. Thank you again! We are finished for this year but we will see you again next summer! Jennifer Smith



Run For God....coming in September. Watch for more information soon.