



Our Nursery ministry is in need of a few more folks who are willing to serve in the nursery on Sunday mornings, at the 11:00 worship service. We need someone who can be a fill in, as well as a few who will do every other month, or just once a quarter! If you are willing to serve in any capacity please let me know.

Children's Ministry is gearing up for our Back to School Bash on August 23rd, 6:00-8:00pm at Asheboro Racquet & Swim Club. We will have a fun evening of pizza, swimming, ping pong, corn hole and lots of good fellowship! This event is for children who are rising kindergarteners through rising 6th graders! Please RSVP to Heather Cagle @ 336-963-2878 by August 21st if your child(ren) will be able to attend.

Children's Ministry is in need of a few adults willing to partner with me and these fantastic children! I am making lots of exciting plans for serving our community, as well as fun outings for the children to simply enjoy each other! I cannot do this on my own and abide by our Safe Sanctuary Policy. If I can get 2-3 adults on board to go with me and the children, the adults could take turns so that no one volunteer would have to carry the entire load! If you are interested in helping me, please contact me ASAP!

Kid's Ahoy

We have concluded a fantastic summer with Kid's Ahoy! Our trips have ranged from Midland, NC to Raleigh, NC...we have enjoyed mining for gold, creating in a children's museum, making our own pizza's, etc. Lots of fun, lots of fellowship and lots of sharing the love of Jesus Christ! Thank you for your many prayers and all of your support!

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Join us for Sunday School & Worship! (Note: Promotion Sunday for both of our Sunday School Classes takes place next Sunday, Aug. 27th!) We will welcome our NEW 9th Graders & NEW 6th Graders that morning!!

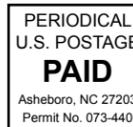
6th GRADE WELCOME! Get ready!!! We will welcome all of our NEW 6th Graders to Youth Group after Labor Day on Sunday, Sept. 10th!!

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 & GIRL STUFF COMBO: Be on the lookout for details to a "revised plan" this week...

KIDS AHOY CHALLENGE! The deadline has been extended, and you have till Sunday, Aug. 27th, to meet this year's Challenge which is to memorize our theme, 9 Roles of the Holy Spirit, our Bible verse & its reference... Have FUN getting into God's Word!! See Fred or Heather when you're ready!

KIDS AHOY "THANK YOU": Special Thanks goes out to all of our Youth and Adult Leaders!! We could not have done this without YOU! Thank you for wanting to be a part of this exciting ministry, for caring well for all of our awesome boys & girls, and for the joy and enthusiasm you brought each time you were able to serve. Additional thanks to Ken Hicks who was invaluable in so many ways, and was able to drive for ALL of our events again this summer!!



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Did you know.....Central has a **Pastor's Discretionary Fund** that you can donate to, that helps those in our congregation who are in need. We have spent \$5297.07 so far this year helping with power bills, gas, rent, food, etc. The account is low and with your generous donations, we can continue to help our own. Thanks for your gifts!

³⁵ For I was an hungry, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:
³⁶ Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.



Central UMW NEWS

Uwharrie District Annual Meeting--August 26
Generation Now- A Panel Discussion on Engaging Generation "Z"
Pfeiffer University 2nd Floor Community Room, Stokes Student Center
Registration & Light Continental Breakfast at 9:30am
Hands-On-Mission - School Days Sanitary Supplies & School Kits
Contact Mary Beth White @ 336-629-5327 before August 21 to register.

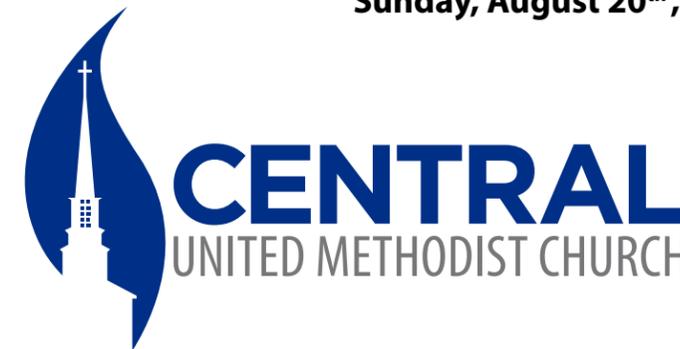
UMW UNIT MEETING

Monday, September 11 at 6:00pm--Family Life Center Conference Room
Sub-Groups:
Susannah Wesley -Monday, September 11 at 5:00pm--FLC Conference Room
Followers-----Monday, September 11 at 5:15pm---FLC Conference Room

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Our Mission is to follow Jesus, make disciples and transform the world.
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When A Detour Leads Straight To The Problem

Our series "What's Your Problem?" is rapidly coming to a close. When I first began planning it I knew I would learn a lot about how to deal with the common struggles of life that all people face, as well as the particular ones that beset me personally.

I have learned on a number of occasions throughout this series that getting my own issues dealt with is a personal endeavor, but not a private matter. Personal problems have wider (and often unintended) consequences. Things that affect the individual have a way of affecting everyone connected to the individual.

If we are going to get to the bottom of our own personal issues and problems, we are going to have to deal with how our personal issues have impacted others.

One of great Bible stories that illustrates this, is that of Jacob and Esau, two brothers. Their lives together left behind a trail of hurt, hardship, and heartache. Thankfully they made the decision to heal their broken relationship before it was too late. Jacob is usually the brother who instigates the events that lead to the brokenness and alienation. Jacob is personally a mess, and he leaves behind a mess in the life of everyone else he encounters, especially his brother Esau. But after a lifetime of bad decisions, things begin to change in Jacob's life.

The first thing that happens to start the process of change is that Jacob meets God. In Genesis 32 we find this development:

¹ Jacob also went on his way, and the angels of God met him. {Genesis 32:1}
This is a pivotal encounter reminding us that life transformation first begins with God. Jacob had a life-changing meeting with God that began the process of changing every area of his life, including his relationship with his brother Esau.

It was the counsel of God, given to Jacob by the messengers of God that prompted Jacob to begin a quest to restore the broken relationship with his brother Esau. There is another powerful insight to be learned at this point: in order to get ourselves right with God, we are going to have to get ourselves right with the other people we have hurt. In fact, we may never be fully right ourselves, and right with God, as long as we are not right with the others in our lives. Jesus made this very point Himself when He said:

²³ "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. {Genesis 5:23-24}

Jesus wanted us to see that getting ourselves right before God was hindered as long as we are not right with those around us. Think about it this way: what if the reason that we are not experiencing the breakthrough that brings victory over our personal problems is because we are not living in healthy and restored relationships with those around us? It is just a thought after observing the lives of Jacob and his brother Esau. Join me for worship this week and we will look closer at the personal dynamics between these two brothers and see what insights we can glean from them!

Pastor J.F.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday August 20th 2017 Eleventh Sunday in Kingdomtide 8:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Heather Cagle
 OPENING PRAYER Heather Cagle
 WORSHIP SONGS "Good Father"
 "Chain Breaker" Praise Team
 TIME OF GREETING Ralph Davis
 TIME OF THANKSGIVING Fred Huffstetler
 PRAYER Fred Huffstetler
 STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Philippians 4:15-17 Pastor J.F.

¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. ¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account.

GIVING OF GIFTS
 OFFERTORY SPECIAL "Cry Out To Jesus" Praise Team
 SCRIPTURE Genesis 32:3-8, 9a, 11, 13-18; 33:1-4 (See insert)
 MESSAGE The Price Of Character Pastor J.F.
 SERIES What's your Problem?
 CLOSING SONG "Holiness" Praise Team
 AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Fred Huffstetler

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

CUMC Attendance

August 13th

GREETERS 8:45 AM -
 Jerry & Wanda Bowman

Contemporary Worship 87
 Traditional Worship 146
 Total Worship 233
 Sunday School 161

USHERS 11:00 AM
CHAIRMAN – Archie Priest
Captain – Dr. John Matkins, Bill
 Beaver, Walker Moffitt, Ken Prochnau,
 Dr. Larry Simpson, Jerry Jeffers, Derrick Grantham, Randy Ferree,
 Rudy Rich

Spiritus 31

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

The Board of Trustees has named four recipients of this year's Lillie Pearl Wood Nursing Scholarships. They are:
Ryan Paul Lucas is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree at Barton College in Wilson, NC. His parents are Ronnie & Julie Lucas of Asheboro.
Lauren Ashley Sexton is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree at Campbell University at Buies Creek, NC. Her parents are Mark & Karen Sexton of Climax.
Olivia Beth Gunter is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree at UNC-Chapel Hill. Her parents are Randy & Tara Gunter.
Amy Marie Yates is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. Her parents are Roger & Annette Yates.

Congratulations to you all!



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday August 20th 2017 Eleventh Sunday in Kingdomtide 11:00 AM

PRELUDE Joy Menius
 THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR
 CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
 WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Fred Huffstetler
 *HYMN OF PRAISE "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" #79 (UMH)
 *MISSION STATEMENT (In Unison) Fred Huffstetler
*Our Mission is to follow Jesus, make disciples and transform the world.
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*THE APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison) #881 (UMH)
*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*
 *(Universal Church)

*THE GLORIA PATRI #70(UMH)
 *A TIME OF GREETING Fred Huffstetler

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Philippians 4:15-17 Pastor J.F.
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OFFERTORY #95(UMH)
 *DOXOLOGY Heather Cagle
 TIME OF THANKSGIVING Heather Cagle
 PRAYER FOR OTHERS #895 (UMH)
 THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)
*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 Our Refuge" Allen Pote
 God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.
 Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
 though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.
 Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.
 He is in the midst of His people, in all the earth.
 He is the Word, we are His hands, He will lead us.
 He is the air, we are His song,
 We will celebrate His presence all the day long.
 He is the rain, we are the stones, He will cleanse us.
 He is the air, we are His song,
 We will celebrate his presence all the day long.
 We will not fear.

***Children leave for Children's Church**
 SCRIPTURE Genesis 32:3-8, 9a, 11, 13-18; 33:1-4 (See insert)
 MESSAGE The Price Of Character Pastor J.F.
 SERIES What's Your Problem?
 HYMN OF RESPONSE "Softly and Tenderly" #348 (UMH)
 AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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*CLOSING PRAYER Pastor J.F.
 *POSTLUDE

*Congregation please stand if you are able.



Sincere Sympathy From the Staff & Congregation to the family of Amy Hartley, Wayne & Mary Lee Hartley's daughter-in-law at her passing on August 11th, 2017.

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 (for their dedication to our youth)
 By Jim & Pat Pittillo



August

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- 22 Charles Durham
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- 25 Debbie Reaves

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IN HONOR OF CHARLES SWIERS FOR HIS RETIREMENT

By Talmadge & Sara Baker
 By All Employees of Insurance Associates of the Triad

HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

CUMC Weekly Schedule

- SUNDAY, August 20th**
 8:45 AM – Contemporary Worship
 9:45 AM – Sunday School
 11:00 AM – Traditional Worship
 4:45 PM – Confirmation Class
 6:00 PM – MYF
- MONDAY, August 21st**
- TUESDAY, August 22nd**
 7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
 9:00 AM – MARTHA GROUP
 6:00 PM – Pilates
 6:00 PM – NetWorx
 7:00 PM – Open Gym
- WEDNESDAY, August 23rd**
 10:00 AM – Morning Prayer Group
- THURSDAY, August 24th**
 7:00 AM – "Walk and Worship"
 5:30 PM – Church Council
 7:00 PM – Open Gym
- FRIDAY, August 25th**
- SATURDAY, August 26th**
 7:30AM – Men's Coffee Break @ THE TABLE



Run For God....beginning
 September 7th @ 6:00pm.
 New class for beginners and a class for those who have been running!