



Central United Methodist Day School's 10th annual **DINNER AND AUCTION** will be held **Friday, April 20th, 2018** in the Family Life Center. Please mark your calendars for this exciting event! More information will be coming.

Children & Family Ministries

Eat, Pray, Serve – We will not be meeting this week for Eat, Pray, Serve. Central will be hosting an Ash Wednesday service at 7pm and I would love to see all of the children there!

Easter Egg Fun – Believe it or not, Easter is right around the corner!! Our day of fun will be Saturday, April 31st, 10am-12am. We will offer an egg hunt, entertainment and a free hot dog meal. That being said, it's time for us to start collecting candy for our egg hunt. Will you please consider donating candy as we prepare to bless the children in our community? Last year we served 79 children with our hunt, which means we will need at least 1600 pieces of candy. Candy will need to be small enough to fit inside of a plastic Easter egg. Please avoid small, hard candy that may be unsafe for a younger child. You may be asking...what can I do to help??? We will need some volunteers for stuffing the eggs with candy in late March, prior to the event, and we will need a small army of volunteers for the actual event (kitchen volunteers, folks to hide eggs, direct the children, provide hospitality, etc). Please prayerfully consider being a part of this event as we reach outside of our walls to show others the love of Jesus!

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Join us for Sunday School & Worship this Sunday! Our High School students will meet in the Gathering Area with Benji Cagle, and our Middle School students will meet in their classroom with Lisa Garrison.

MYF: Join us tonight from 6:00 till 7:45! Dinner is provided! We'll enjoy some good food, fellowship, games, worship and more! We're breaking out the 9 Square!!

CENTRAL BREAKFAST CLUB: Meet us at Chick-fil-A this coming Thursday morning at 6:45 for a warm meal, and an encouraging word! Bring \$3.25 to cover your breakfast!

WEEK OF HOPE: This summer's destination = Nashville, TN, July 8-14, 2018 (Sun. through Sat.!) Check to see if space is still available! Team member cost for this exciting week is just \$325.00!

CENTRAL UMC INK PEN'S: This pen has a stylus for your phone and/or notepad, twist open blue ink, and a flashlight on the head that you simply depress after taking off the yellow protector. It even has our church's web address on it!! If you'd like one for a friend, family member, or to simply share with a neighbor – we're asking \$3.00 per pen, or you can get 2 of these awesome pens for just \$5.00! All proceeds go to support our Youth Missions!

LAST SUPPER DRAMA CAST & CREW: Gentlemen! It's time to begin growing those beards in preparation for this year's Drama & Service. Holy Thursday is March 29th and rehearsals will begin soon!! Interested in being a part of our Cast OR Crew??? Please contact Fred @ 302-0624!

"VALENTINE'S DAY FESTIVAL OF FUN"



Tuesday, February 13th @ 11:30am in FLC Conference Room
Fun, food, laughter and Christian fellowship will be the themes of this program: Bingo, games, token prizes, photo session, selection of King and Queen Valentine Sweethearts for 2018-2019, luncheon by Beth Richardson and entertainment by PASTOR J. F.!
As always bring a friend and we hope to see you there!
EXPERIENCE THE "WISDOM KEEPERS" DIFFERENCE AND HAVE A "GOOD TIME!"



"Introduction to Lay Ministry" (Basic Course)
Teacher: Rev. Leslee Wray, New Mount Tabor UMC
"Preaching" Teacher: Teacher: Rev. J.F. Howard, Central Asheboro UMC
"United Methodist Heritage" Teacher Mrs. Vicki Moss, Lay Leader, CUMC
"Prayer" Teacher: Rev. Jacob Kyker, Gray's Chapel UMC
8:00 - 8:30 A.M. Welcome, Registration, Coffee
8:30 A.M. - 12:00 Class
12:30 - 4:00 P.M. Class
4:00 - 4:30 P.M. Closing Worship

The cost of the training event is \$30 per student to cover mailings, books, handouts, and meal.
Call the office for Registration Forms.

Budget

Needed to Date \$67,207.55 Received to Date \$66,170.66

Endowment Fund

Total Cash Received: \$277,253.79



Although the first shipment of 102 adult gowns, 12 youth gowns, 14 jams and 27 pillowcase dresses for the Dominican Republic medical mission trip in March has shipped, the Martha group will still meet on Tuesday, February 20, at 9:00 am in the FLC conference room to work on projects. We have been using funds donated by Central's SS classes and used bed linens from Central members to make the gowns. After this year's shipment, we are out of material. Please contact any member of the Martha Group: Emily Matkins, Lisa King, Kaye Rich, Becky Hughes, Imogene Bulla, Sara Baker, Kathryn Barrett, Melissa Cox or Mary Lee Hartley if you have linens you no longer need or if your SS class would like to make a donation. Following is a note from Tammie Walker "Would like to say thank you so much to all of you who helped make this possible for the DR!!! They are Great."



Baby Bottle Collection – Your Choices Randolph

Your Choices Randolph (YCR) serves this community by offering programs for prevention, intervention and restoration. Through the love and truth of Jesus Christ, YCR empowers women and men to make life-affirming choices regarding biblical sexuality, pregnancy, and abortion restoration. As a non-profit, Christian organization, YCR embraces its partnerships with local churches... We will be partnering with YCR through the Baby Bottle Campaign. It's simple; pick up a baby bottle in the narthex, fill it with cash or coins, and **return it to Central by February 18th.** 100% of the money collected will be donated to YCR to support their ongoing efforts to serve Randolph County. If you would like to help with this campaign (collecting or counting the money) please see Heather Cagle.

PICK UP YOUR BOTTLE TODAY!

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CENTRAL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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.

Hospitality As A Means Of Incarnating The Gospel

Approximately 40 of the Central UMC leadership team braved the stormy weather to attend the 2018 Leadership Kickoff Event after church on Super Bowl Sunday (Feb. 4). After a delicious homemade soup and sandwich lunch provided by our superb kitchen crew, Terry Cox, our Church Council Chair inspired our gathering with a vision for our leadership to "step up, step out; reach up, and reach out...and give God your best minute, your best hour, your best day, your best year." I could not take notes fast enough to write down the insights and inspiration from Terry's message.

I spent a few moments of our gathering discussing an area of ministry that I believe it becoming more and more important when trying to reach today's unchurched population with the good news of Jesus Christ: hospitality.

I am just now starting to see the importance of hospitality as a means to open doors for the transforming gospel of Jesus Christ. It has been there in the Bible all along. I just did not notice it like I should have. I shared with our leaders Sunday my three favorite Bible passages on hospitality:

"Be hospitable to one another without complaining" (1 Peter 4:9).

"Share with the saints in their needs; pursue hospitality" (Romans 12:13).

"Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it" (Hebrews 13:2).

Most importantly, hospitality is the embodiment of the message and mission of Jesus in the lives of His followers. Jesus instructed us that our hospitality would be a sign to the world of identity as His followers:

³¹ So, when he had gone out, Jesus said... ³⁴ "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. ³⁵ By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:31, 34-35)

I believe we live in a world that is increasingly distrustful of authority, and more and more fragmented in relationships. I think when the church of Jesus Christ once again emphasizes and excels at hospitality, we will be able to break down the walls and close the gaps on the distance people have between themselves and Jesus Christ. This was the strategy that enabled the Christian gospel to flourish in the secular Roman Empire of the 1st Century and

I am confident it will enable the gospel at Central United Methodist Church to flourish in the 21st Century.

I encouraged our leaders to look for ways to raise the level of Christian hospitality in their various mission and ministries in 2018, that we might see an increase in open doors and receptive hearts to the gospel of Jesus Christ. I encourage each of us as individuals to do as well. I'm willing to try. How about you?

Pastor J.F.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday February 11 th 2018	Transfiguration of the Lord	8:45AM
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Heather Cagle
WORSHIP SONGS	"Better than Life" "Break Every Chain"	Praise Team
TIME OF GREETING		Heather Cagle
TIME OF THANKSGIVING		Fred Huffstetler
PRAYER		
STEWARDSHIP MOMENT	Romans 15:25-27	Pastor J.F.
<i>²⁵ But now I am going to Jerusalem to minister to the saints. ²⁶ For it pleased those from Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the saints who are in Jerusalem. ²⁷ It pleased them indeed, and they are their debtors. For if the Gentiles have been partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister to them in material things.</i>		
GIVING OF GIFTS		
OFFERTORY SPECIAL	"How Great is Our God" "How Great Thou Art"	Praise Team
SCRIPTURE MESSAGE	Philippians 3:1-12 (See insert)	
SERIES:	Reasons For Rejoicing	Pastor J.F.
CLOSING SONG	HAPPY YOU YEAR! "More Than Amazing"	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,
Ross & Debbie Reaves

GREETERS 8:45 AM -

Karen & Jerry Raines

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 - Gary Strider, Wayne Thomas, Sara Delk, Susan Swiers,
Robin Croom

NETworX for Hope Randolph

is having a Spaghetti Supper & BINGO night to help raise funds for programming!

When: **Saturday, February 24th** – starting at 5:00.

Where: CUMC Family Life Center

Tickets are \$10.00 per adult; \$6.00 for children 10 & under

Bingo cards will be sold at the door separately.

To purchase tickets, contact Peter Brisley at 336-302-4093

or come by the church office. If you would like to donate an item for the Bingo

prizes please see Peter Brisley, Vickie Moss, Kristy Priest, Kellie Garcia, or Angie Kern!

Thank you!



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday February 11 th 2018	Transfiguration of the Lord	11:00 AM
PRELUDE		Joy Menius
THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR		
CALL TO WORSHIP		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Fred Huffstetler
*HYMN OF PRAISE	"O For A Thousand Tongues"	#57 (UMH)
*MISSION STATEMENT (In Unison)		
<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	Romans 15:25-27	Pastor J.F.
<i>²⁵ But now I am going to Jerusalem to minister to the saints. ²⁶ For it pleased those from Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the saints who are in Jerusalem. ²⁷ It pleased them indeed, and they are their debtors. For if the Gentiles have been partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister to them in material things.</i>		
* OFFERTORY		
DOXOLOGY		
#95(UMH)		
TIME OF THANKSGIVING		Heather Cagle
PRAYER FOR OTHERS		
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	"Without His Cross"	Joseph Martin
Without His tears there is no comfort. Without His death there is no life. Without His blood there is no pardon. Without His cross there is no crown. Without His shame there is no glory. Without His grief there is no joy. Without His stripes there is no healing. Without His cross there is no crown. Lamb of God You bring salvation and with Your grace our hearts are sealed. Lord, with Your tears of love You bathe our sorrows. In Your eyes we stand revealed. Without His tears there is no comfort. Without His death there is no life. Without His blood there is no pardon. Without His cross there is no crown.		
*Children leave for Children's Church		
SCRIPTURE MESSAGE	Philippians 3:1-12 (See insert)	
SERIES:	Reasons For Rejoicing	Pastor J.F.
CLOSING SONG	HAPPY YOU YEAR! "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	#474 (UMH)
AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP		
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*CLOSING PRAYER		
*POSTLUDE		

*Congregation please stand if you are able



Congratulations to the proud grandparents
Trenten & Cindy Lowe at the birth of their new granddaughter
Esther Rose Lowe,
born on January 30th, 2018.

Memorials & Gifts

CHOIR FUND
In Memory of Marizelle Strider
By Marion, Ann & Charlie Asbill



February

- 11 Randy Ford
Bryan Moffitt
Sarah Trollinger
Gary Voncannon
- 12 Abby Becker
Jimmy Smith
Michael Stefanacci
Badin Tyler
- 13 Emerson Beck
Matt Pope
Michelle Hayes
- 14 Rebekah Bunting
Elspeth Crawford
Kendyl Millikan
Zach Shandor
- 15 Louise King
Kurt Sullivan
- 16 Fred Huffstetler
Michael Smith
- 17 Megan Brewer
Marcie Cooper
Joseph Grantham



Welcome Table and Bible Study
Wednesday, February 14th at 5:30pm
Menu: Soup, Chicken Salad on
Croissant, Desserts & Beverage
Pick up a card in the narthex



HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

CUMC Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th

8:45 AM – Contemporary Worship

9:45 AM – Sunday School

11:00 AM – Traditional Worship

6:00 PM – MYF

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12th

1:00 PM – Chair Chicks

5:00 PM – Volleyball

5:30 PM – Security Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13th

11:30 AM – Good Times Club

5:45 PM – Pilates

6:00 PM – NETWORX

7:00 PM – Open Gym

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14th

10:00 AM – Wednesday Morning Prayer

1:00 PM – Chair Chicks

5:30 PM – Welcome Table

6:00 PM – Hand Bells

7:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Service

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15th

1:00 PM – Blood Drive

5:30 PM – Staff Parish Relations Meeting

6:30 PM – Stephen Ministry

7:00 PM – Open Gym

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16th

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17th

7:30 AM – Men's Coffee Break @ The Table

The Asbury Class will be hosting a
Blood Drive on
February 15th, 2018
in the Family Life Center.



Please make plans to give the
Gift of Life!!

1:00PM-7:00PM

Randolph Christian Men's Ministry

Randolph Christian Men's Valentine Banquet

February 15th, 2018 @ 6:30pm

Christian Life Center, First Baptist Church

Tickets \$25.00 Couple \$13.00 Individual Everyone Welcome

Contact Jay Councilman @ 336-318-2497