

# THE CENTRAL ISSUE

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Our MISSION: To make disciples of Christ who WORSHIP God, GROW in their faith, and SERVE in the church and world.

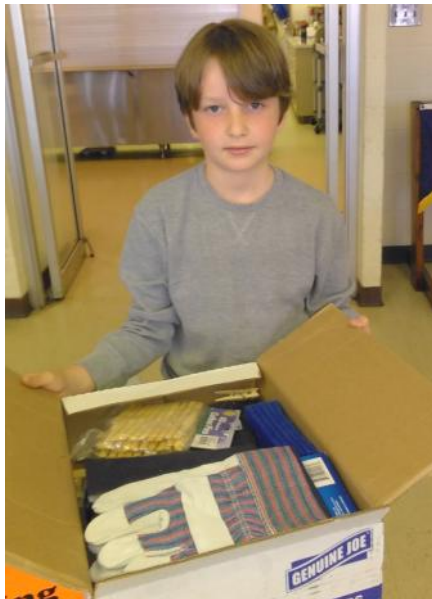
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## Thank you, Central UMC!

As you can see, it was a family affair Sunday after worship service. We packed 200 hygiene kits and 25 cleaning buckets (although we ran out of buckets and had to pack them in boxes until the buckets come in!) These supplies will go to the mission recovery center in Terrell, NC, until they are needed elsewhere. Thank you for your support of UMCOR! More pictures can be found on our website at <http://cumcshelby.org/serve/>



**HOT LUNCH** Our next service project will be on Sunday, October 15 from 2 to 5 p.m. we are going to do a deep clean of the Jean Eaker kitchen in the PAC (not including floor or stove). The Panthers do not play that day so come and join us! Call Barbara Schafer 704-480-6082 to volunteer. Thank you.



**World Communion Worship Workshop**  
There was a whole lot of creativity, fun, and learning happening during the worship workshop this past Sunday. If you missed it, be on the lookout for the next one! Everyone is welcome! More pictures are available online at <http://cumcshelby.org/grow/>



**October 8-14, 2017  
Calendar of Events**

**Sunday** (Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

8:30am Praise Ensemble  
 9:00am TRIBES  
 9:00am Sunday School for all Ages  
 10:00am Worship Service  
 11:00am Wesley Class (All Adults Welcome)  
 4:30pm Crossfire Rehearsal  
 5:30pm UMYF

**Monday**

9:00am Church Office opens  
 11:00am Prayer Team  
 6:00pm Word and Wine Bible Study (at Dragonfly Wine Market)  
 7:00pm Community in Schools Mentor Appreciation Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

**Tuesday**

Counseling Center open (by appointment)  
 9:00am Church Office opens  
 11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)  
 6:00pm Middle School Bible Study  
 6:00pm Butterfly and Sonshine Choir Practices  
 6:00pm Christianity and World Religions Study  
 7:15pm Central Ringers Practice

**Wednesday**

8:45am Naked Fruit Bible Study  
 9:00am Church Office opens  
 10:30am Staff Meeting  
 6:00pm Christmas Cantata Rehearsal  
 6:00pm TLC Blanket making with UMYF

**Thursday**

Counseling Center open (by appointment)  
 9:00am Church Office opens  
 9:00am Discipleship Bible Study  
 6:30pm Discipleship Bible Study

**Friday**

9:00am Church Office opens

**Saturday**

11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)



We are in need of volunteers to man the check-in table for the directory photo sessions. If you are available for even a couple of hours on October 11, 12, 13 and/or

14, please contact the office at 704-487-6336 or central@cumcshelby.org Sign up is also available online at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084ea9ad2fa4f85-directory>

**Serving Sunday, October 8, 2017**



**The Guppies**  
 Sunday School and Worship:  
 Diana Mullinax

**Nursery Volunteer**  
 Jessica Talbert

**The Stars**  
 Sunday School and Worship:  
 Linda Zachary

**Collection Counters:**  
 Chris Jones and Mike Schenck

**Collection Counters for 10/15/2017:**  
 Chris Jones and Matt Triplett

**Sunday School Assistant:**  
 Page Morgan

**Children's Sermon:**  
 Mark Barden

**2017 Stewardship**

10:00am Worship (October 1).....	192
Sunday School (October 1).....	98
2017 Operating Budget.....	\$762,448.60
2017 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$63,537.38
Total Receipts for Month of September.....	\$27,003.06
Total Receipts for 9/24/17-9/28/17.....	\$9,030.25

**Sermon: October 8**

**John 15:5-11**

**“We’re the Branches”**



**The New Directory is Coming!**

Photography sessions for will be October 11-14. But spots are filling up fast! Sign up sheets are available every Sunday outside of the Choir Room. Online sign up is available at <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/v6mkv6xq/>. You may also call the church at 704-487-6336. Remember No purchase is necessary but we really want everyone's smiling faces included!



## Save the Date!

On Monday, October 23rd, all adults are invited to join us on a trip to Hendersonville. The highlight of our trip will be lunch at the Dandelion Restaurant. We'll also do some shopping, sightseeing, and leaf watching.



October 8	Aaron Sizemore
October 10	Mary Warren
October 10	Sara Branton
October 11	Drexel Bakker
October 12	Stan Anthony
October 12	Doug Hobson
October 13	Dick Schafer
October 14	Lowrey Dellinger
October 14	Elizabeth Dellinger

## you - you - youth



## Needs You!

### \*\*\*Hey, Parents and all other adults!

We're looking for volunteers to hang with us on Sunday evenings. If you can spare a couple of hours twice a month, we'd love to have you join us. Sign up for what days work for you at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084ea9ad2fa4f85-umyf>

## CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS Weekly Update

### Sunday

Sunday Morning Tribes 9-10 am  
UMYF— 5:30 pm

## UMYF

### Help create sleeping mats!

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
| What's needed:                 | October 8 |
| • plastic grocery bags (clean) | 5:30-7pm  |
| • scissors                     |           |
| • crochet needles              |           |

### Tuesday

High School Breakfast 7:15 am @ Chick-fil-A  
CONNECT @ Middle School Bible Study 6-7 pm

### Wednesday

Supper & Study—TLC Blanket Making 6-7 pm



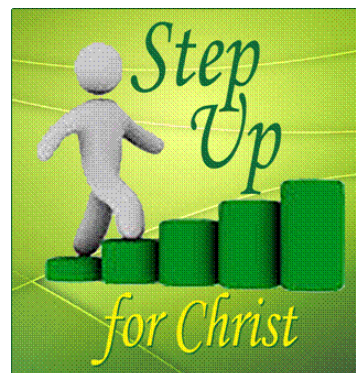
### Lydia's Circle

Lydia's Circle will meet Monday, October 9th. If you would like to eat out meet at the Shelby Café at noon, others may meet in the Church Parlor at 1 pm for our program. Be sure to read Chapter 6 and be prepared to discuss. Hope to see you there!

### School Ministry Opportunities

#### Community in Schools Mentor Appreciation

**Dinner** – Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to learn more about mentoring in the schools, join us for dinner as those who currently mentor share their experiences. Please make reservation with Fawn by Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup>. We also need volunteers to decorate a few tables, prepare and serve dinner. Call Fawn for details!



God has blessed us abundantly in both our individual and church community lives. As a response to God's blessings, we have an opportunity to say "thank you" through our stewardship response. This year, our Stewardship

Committee is asking each church member to prayerfully consider "Stepping Up for Christ" for 2018. You should be receiving a mailing later this week with all the details. Information may also be accessed on the church website. We hope you will spend time in prayerful discernment in making your faith commitment for next year.



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Hello,

I would like to thank EVERYONE and especially the classrooms teachers, the church members from Melissa Morehead's church and Central UMC for making last night successful! We had 60 plus adults in attendance...better than last year. Parents were receptive to information provided and students were proud to show off their classrooms and work. I heard comments such as, "I am so grateful my child has this teacher because she has a beautiful soul."

We are slowly but surely building relationships! Way to Go!!!

We are extremely fortunate to get as much community support as we do...please pass on the word...thank you from the bottom of my heart...we are truly blessed to have such a wonderful group of people working together for the common goal of education these children! You guys are the BEST!

Kimberley Kepner, NBCT

Principal

James Love Elementary School

Bishop Paul Leeland of the Western NC Conference offers this prayer in the aftermath of the tragic mass shooting this week in Las Vegas. May we keep those who were injured and the families of those who lost their lives in this senseless act of violence.

*"God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home":*

*Receive and heal the sorrow of our hearts for the continuous stream of grief and loss we have felt this week.*

*May we understand the voice of Jesus who said, "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted."*

*Lord, it is difficult to walk through the valley of the shadow of death, and we need the assurance of your Divine Presence to encourage us in these difficult moments.*

*We thank you, God, for assisting and purifying our lives as we come "asking, and seeking and knocking" to share the depth of our prayers which desire that all who are under the influence of anger, violence or hatred might be converted to respect the dignity of all human life and experience your love.*

*Allow us to enter into your peace with a craving to serve and love you, and to love our neighbor with a renewed grace and responsibility worthy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. AMEN.*

**Calling all youth and adults!** We need you to assist us in creating throw blankets for the TLC program! Wednesday, October 11, 6-7pm. We'll be meeting in the Fellowship Hall. This is an awesome service opportunity!



please contact Dana Lundquist.

This fall our cub scouts have resumed meeting and have spots available for boys from kindergarten to fifth grade. They meet on Mondays at 6pm. The boy scouts meet on Tuesdays at 6:30pm. Both groups meet in the PAC. If you need more information

### Memorials and Honorariums

#### Operating:

- In Memory of Mike Dalton by Dick & Adelaide Craver
- In Memory of Adeline Lutz by Jerry & Lynn Eskridge
- In Memory of Adeline Lutz by C.C. & Jackie Guy
- In Memory of Gordon McLarty by Dick & Adelaide Craver
- In Memory of Paul Brown by Sandy H. Allen
- In Memory of Rosa Linda Talbert by C.C. & Jackie Guy
- In Memory of Rosa Linda Talbert by Scott & Rhonda Harper
- In Memory of Rosa Linda Talbert by Sandy H. Allen
- In Memory of Rosa Linda Talbert by Eddie & Jeannie Hamrick

#### Youth:

- In Memory of Rosa Linda Talbert by Teddy, Meekins & Talbert