



THE CENTRAL ISSUE

CENTRAL UMC SHELBY IS A SAFE SANCTUARIES CHURCH

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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Easter Lilies

March 25th is the deadline for purchasing **Easter lilies** in memory or honor of a loved one. Forms will be available in the bulletin and at the back of the Church for your convenience. Cost per lily is \$15.



Lydia's Circle will meet Monday, March 12th. 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 10 and be

prepared to discuss. Hope to see you there!



Central's Trustees are always looking for ways to maintain and improve the wonderful facilities for our members to enjoy and to continue the many ministries we offer. Trustees, along with Staff are also looking for ways our members can be involved and to participate. We are asking for input from the

Congregation. We (Trustees) would like to organize several task forces/committees to help. Starting out, we want to put the following in place:

Grounds and Landscape

Currently, Marilyn & Bill Henshaw and Kitty Williams oversee the general Maintenance and care of our landscape. They are rotating off of this committee, but will help with the transition of a new team. New members will oversee a landscape contractor, help schedule needed maintenance and share ideas to enhance our landscape.

Set up

Central's Bereavement Committee provides a beautiful reception for families at a time of loss. Set up is an important part of this reception. A rotating group is needed to assist with set up (placement of tables and chairs in Fellowship Hall) on an "as needed" basis. A call list would be available for the group to work closely with the Bereavement Committee.

Snow and ice removal

Central does not have a set plan when we need snow/ice removal. Central is responsible for the steps and parking lots but our sidewalks must also be addressed in case the City of Shelby isn't able to treat/remove the snow/ice. Trustees would like to have a call list of folks to help with this ministry when the need arises.

Church office volunteer

Occasionally, volunteers are needed in the office to fill in when our secretary is out of the office for sick days or out of town on vacation. Gina will be holding a training session soon to let volunteers know what they will need to do when serving in this capacity.

The best part of the above is that any and all members at Central can plug in where they feel they can help! If you are on the list for one of the above, it would be on an "as needed" basis. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Gina in the church office or Will Rucker, Trustee Chair.

Thank you for considering this ministry.

Central United Methodist-Shelby Trustees

**March 11-17, 2018
Calendar of Events**

Sunday (Fourth Sunday in Lent)

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 Youth Council Meeting
 6:30pm Word and Wine Bible Study (at Dragonfly)

Tuesday

Counseling Center open (by appointment)
 9:00am Church Office opens
 11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)
 12:30pm Teach Us to Pray
 6:00pm Connect, Middle School Bible Study
 6:00pm Butterfly and Sunshine Choir Rehearsals
 7:00pm Adam Hamilton Bible Study
 7:15pm Central Ringers Practice

Wednesday

9:00am Church Office opens
 9:15am Fruit Bible Study
 10:30am Staff Meeting
 6:00pm Supper & Study, High School Bible Study
 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 7:00pm Confirmation
 7:15pm Praise Ensemble Rehearsal

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)

Serving Sunday, March 11, 2017



The Guppies

Sunday School and Worship:
 Amy Lookabill

Nursery Volunteer

Sunday School: Jessie Rucker
 Worship: Evelyn & Abbie Ribadeneyra

The Stars

Sunday School and Worship:
 Linda Zachary

Collection Counters:

Jessica Talbert and Mike Schenck

Collection Counters for 3/18/2018:

Matt Triplett and Jessica Talbert

Sunday School Assistant:

Jim Kunkle

Children's Sermon:

Lynn Carter

2018 Stewardship

10:00am Worship (March 4).....	126
Sunday School (March 4).....	NA
2018 Operating Budget.....	\$776,410.22
2018 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$64,700.85
Total Receipts for Month of February.....	\$30,203.78
Total Receipts for 2/25/18-2/28/18.....	\$10,413.81

Habitat Report—February

Hoey Bible Class \$19.00
 Wesley Class 20.46
 \$39.46

Another bundle of 2x4s for the home we will soon begin on Virginia Ave. Weather permitting, we will soon be pouring footers. Praise the Lord!

Dick Schafer



At Your Service... Have you ever realized that Jesus was a great delivery man? He didn't drive around town with a Domino's sign on his car but he was great at delivering forgiveness,

compassion, healing, friendship... and, yes, even FOOD! Think about it – he fed *thousands*! CUMC needs delivery personnel... adults willing to deliver homemade soup to our shut-ins each month with a little conversation, time and love. If you would like to be a part of this vital ministry, contact Betty Reeves at bettypreves@gmail.com or 704-482-0191



Parents, if you have not turned in your child information form, photo release form, and medical and liability release form, please do so as soon as possible. Contact Savanna at childrensministry@cumcshelby.org with any questions.

Holy Week Worship Workshop

Sunday, March 25th, 9-9:45 AM Walk with Jesus into Holy Week, from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday.

Mark your calendar now!

VBS will be June 10-14

5-8 pm

This will be a joint VBS with First Baptist Church at 120 N. Lafayette Street.

If you're interested in volunteering, there will be an information meeting late March or early April.

CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS
Weekly Update

Sunday

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

Tuesday

Shelby Senior Highs at Chick-fil-A at 7:15 am
Connect: Middle School Bible Study at 6 pm

Wednesday

Supper & Study High School Bible Study at 6 pm
Confirmation Class at 7 pm

Upcoming Events:

March 12

Youth Council Meeting at 6:00 pm

March 18

Roller Skating 5:30 pm
Bring \$10



**Lenten Wednesday Worship and Lunch at noon
At Aldersgate UMC**

MARCH 14– Rev. Brian Elwell, St. Peter's UMC; Kadesh UMC; Knob Creek UMC
(Leek and Potato Soup, Sub sandwich-ham/turkey, Coconut and pecan cookie)

MARCH 21- Rev. Fawn Mikel, Central UMC
(Santa Fe Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Oatmeal raisin cookie)

MARCH 28– Rev. Juan Cherry, New Creation Christian Center
(Chicken and White Bean Chili, Egg Salad Sandwich, Cookie sampler)

LUNCH COSTS \$5.00 PER PERSON
(Limited amounts of vegetarian soup available each week.)



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| March 11 | Loyd Smith |
| March 12 | Nancy Telle |
| March 12 | Pat Ellison |
| March 12 | Kristina Hager |
| March 13 | Amanda Patterson |
| March 13 | Heather Pollock |
| March 14 | Beverly Putnam |
| March 15 | Nancy Canoutas |
| March 16 | Theo Ausborn |



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Teach Us to Pray

For the next few weeks we will consider different ways to pray. Come try some on and see if they help you communicate with God. Meet Pastor Fawn in Conference Room #2 at 12:30 pm.

March 13th –Using Scripture to pray

March 20th—Icons

March 27th—Prayer Walk

Word and Wine Bible Study

Join us 6:30-8 pm on Mondays at Dragonfly for some great conversation over a glass.....



In March we are continuing **What Does God Say?**
March 12th -- **When Bad Things Happen to Good People... and When Good Things Happen to Bad People**

March 19th – **Prayer in Public Schools**

March 26th – **What About Other Religions and Faiths?**



You will find Purple Prayer Slips in the pew pads. We encourage you to write a prayer request, praise, confession of sin, burden, etc. on the slips

and place them in the offering plate. As the Lent season builds, your papers will be added to a congregational prayer chain that will be on display in the sanctuary. Please take advantage of the opportunity to honor the Lent season in this way as a community.



You're invited to Kids Place annual Art Show & Hot Dog Supper Wednesday, March 21th 5:30pm to 7:00 pm

The Hotdog supper will be in the church Fellowship Hall, serving will begin at 5:30 and continue until 6:30.

The Art Show will start at the same time and will be on the 3rd floor of the Education building, you are welcome to eat first or visit the Art Show first.

Menu:

2 Hotdogs for adults, 1 for child, Chili, Baked Beans, Slaw, Chips

Cookies or Brownies

Tea and Lemonade

Tickets can be reserved by calling the church office by Monday March 19th

Cost: \$5.00 adults

\$3.00 children

Kid's Place Preschool

Early registration has started for the 2018-2019 school year. Tuition information and registration forms can be found on our website at <http://cumshelby.org/grow/kids-place/> or you may contact Shelley Rempson, the Director, at kidsplace@cucms Shelby.org or 704-487-6357.