



THE CENTRAL ISSUE

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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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Congratulations to Chris and Lacey Carter on their marriage this past Saturday. Chris is the son of Mark and Lynn Carter.



Church council will meet Monday, May 7th at 7 pm. We'll be reviewing Chapter 2, From Worship as an Event to Worship as a Lifestyle, in Shift.

Habitat Report for April

Hoey Bible Class \$36.00
Wesley Class 28.07
\$64.07

I often think of my faith journey as me in the role of the tortoise on a race with the hare. Along the way, I got tapped on the shell and pulled into my shelter. On occasion, I got flipped over on my top, flailing hopelessly until getting flipped on my feet again. I don't know where the hare is but I know where this race is going So it has been with our 18 year "race" with Cleveland County Habitat. You have helped keep us "flipped" on our feet!

Dick Schafer



Blood

Its that time again, time to save someone's life. Actually, you could save three lives. One unit of blood can save up to three lives. The next Blood Drive is to be held on May 29th from 2 until 630 – in the Fellowship Hall. You can register to donate at redcrossblood.org. If you have never given blood, please consider being a first time donor. If it has been a while since you have donated, please consider attending this next drive. The need for blood is constant and there is always a critical need. If you have any questions, please call Joanie Mabry at 980-295-8576.

Naked Fruit – Our last Bible Study for Moms for the school year will be Wednesday, May 9th, 9-10 am. Join us as we celebrate a wonderful school year and prepare ourselves for a summer with children at home as we share how we can share fresh fruit with others, especially our children.



Central has been faithful in supporting Girl Scouts, and I would like to present my Gold Award project to the congregation. It will be a brief and informal event where I share information about therapy pets and how I was able to start a therapy dog visitation program at a local shelter.

My Gold Award Project: Creating a Therapy Pet Program
Educating and Connecting Pet Owners and Facilities
Saturday May 5 at 11:00 am
Central United Methodist Church
200 E Marion St, Shelby, NC 28150

(Please enter at the handicapped elevator entrance on Marion Street.)

Thank you!
Abbie Ribadeneyra



**May 6-12, 2018
Calendar of Events**

Sunday (Sixth Sunday of Easter)

- 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)
- 4:00pm Crossfire
- 5:30pm UMYF

Monday

- 9:00am Church Office opens
- 11:00am Prayer Team
- 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)
- 6:00pm Connect, Middle School Bible Study
- 6:00pm Butterfly and Sonshine Choir Rehearsals
- 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)

CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS
Weekly Update

Sunday

- Tribes at 9 am
- UMYF at 5:30 pm

Tuesday

- Connect, Middle School Bible Study 6 pm

Wednesday

- Supper & Study, High School Bible Study 6 pm
- Confirmation 7 pm

Our last Honduras meeting with our CCC representative, Madeline, will be this Thursday, May 3! We'll meet up in the Youth Room at 7pm!

Confirmation Sunday will be May 20! Come celebrate the beginning of our confirmands journeys as they stand before their church family!



Israel Pilgrimage – It's not too late to walk where Jesus walked. Our Holy Land Pilgrimage is February 7-20, 2019. These 2 weeks will help you understand the Bible as the *living* word as you travel throughout

Israel. For more information go to the CUMC website, pick up a brochure at the church office, or contact Pastor Fawn.

Sermon: May 6

John 21:15-19



"Recalled"



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| May 6 | John Hendricks |
| May 7 | Blair Crum |
| May 7 | Jeff Davis |
| May 7 | Kja Palmer |
| May 7 | Torie Shirk |
| May 7 | Windham Teddy |
| May 8 | Rebecca Burton |
| May 10 | Jerry Vaughan |
| May 11 | Jim Lutz |
| May 12 | Mike Schenck |
| May 12 | Jamie Toole |

Serving Sunday, May 6, 2018



The Guppies
 Sunday School and Worship:
 Amy Lookabill

Nursery Volunteer
 Sunday School:
 Worship:

The Stars
 Sunday School and Worship:
 Linda Zachary

Collection Counters:
 Mitch Hensley and Chris Mabry

Collection Counters for 5/13/2018:
 Allison Mauney and Chris Mabry

Sunday School Assistant:

Children's Sermon:
 Julianne McDowell



Change to Make Change—Children love to know they have a purpose in life. On May 27th, the children will be collecting loose change from parishioners during worship. Monies gathered will be used to help the children make a change in our community through a service project they will choose. So look under the sofa cushions, dig through the bottom of your purse and empty the car ashtray to help our children be the change this world needs!

Godly Play—All children Kindergarten to 2nd Grade are invited each Sunday after Children's Sermon to join our trained adults in Godly Play Worship Time. Parents may pick up their child in room 309 in the Education Building immediately following worship service.

2018 Stewardship

10:00am Worship (May 6).....	171
Sunday School (May 6).....	97
2018 Operating Budget.....	\$776,410.22
2018 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$64,700.85
Total Receipts for Month of April.....	\$63,013.77
Total Receipts for 4/22/18-4/26/18.....	\$11,609.50



Attention! Volunteers for VBS 2018 are still needed in all service areas. The dates are June 10-14, 5-8 PM. There is an online sign up that will get you plugged in! Click [here](#) to

sign up. There will be an All Volunteer Meeting at First Baptist on May 6th at 6:30 pm. Hope to see you there!



TLC – is seeking men and women called to walk with someone diagnosed with cancer. Contact through phone calls, visits, and cards are so appreciated as patients experience surgery, chemotherapy, or radiation treatment. If you are

interested, please contact Laura Lombardi at 631-294-6656 or savedbyhymn@gmail.com Volunteer applications are on our website at [TLC-Project-Volunteer-Application](#).

Graduation Sunday will be held on June 3! Participants should send Nick 3-4 photos, some younger and some current! We will miss you all so much, but we sure do want to celebrate the impact you've made and will make!



Church Photographers

The office is looking for 3-4 people who are willing to attend church events/functions and take digital photos and email them to

Gina. No fancy equipment is needed—a cell phone with camera will do just fine. And you won't be required to attend everything! Contact Gina at central@cumcshelby.org or 704-487-6336 if you are interested.



Word and Wine Bible Study

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

- May 7th—Fellowship Night
- May 14th—War, Violence, and Guns
- May 21st—When Christians are unchristian
- May 28th—No Word and Wine, Memorial Day



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Want to join Central UMC?

If you are interested in becoming a member or wanting more information about Central UMC, you are invited to a gathering with Pastor Mark on Sunday, May 13 following the 10 am worship service in the Conference Room. We will receive new members on Pentecost Sunday, May 20. If you are not able to attend on May 13 and would like to join, please contact Pastor Mark at 704-300-8326 or mbarden@wnccumc.net.

Be the of Jesus

Coffee Hour + -- The Outreach Team will be sponsoring coffee and treats Sunday, May 13th in the Fellowship Hall from 8:30-10 am. Come before Sunday School – or maybe your Sunday School class would like to make this a great time of gathering together and sharing life. The children will have their own special “coffee hour” with child friendly treats and make something special to celebrate Mother’s Day.

Communities in Schools – To end the school year, CUMC will host a thank you dinner for the mentors volunteering with Cleveland County Communities in Schools on Tuesday, May 8th, at 6:30 pm. Servants are needed to provide and serve the meal, as well as decorate tables. Contact Fawn if you would like to show God’s appreciation to those who reach out to our children in Cleveland County schools.

We are a **Safe Sanctuary** and a **Tobacco-Free Campus**. Please be sure that your children are accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

We appreciate your assistance as we strive to ensure the safety of all.
Church policy prohibits the use of tobacco products on our church grounds.

Thank you for your cooperation!!!



BOY SCOUTS
OF AMERICA

Spaghetti Lunch

Our Boy Scout Troop will be hosting a spaghetti lunch fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, May 6th, immediately following worship service. We hope you’ll make plans to join them!

CREATE: Creating with God through the Arts

We are created in the image of God and are invited to create with God. Children love to express their creativity through art, dance, music, and drama. CUMC is hoping to offer our children in the community a one week summer camp filled with opportunities to experience God through the arts. But to do so we need adults and youth willing to lead. Do you have a passion for an art form that you are willing to share? Do you paint, draw, use multi-media to create a story? Do you dance, sing, play an instrument or love drama? Or maybe you have a love for children and are willing to help? Contact Savanna or Fawn for more information.



Memorials and Honorariums

Operating:

In Honor of Rebecca Hamrick by Dick & Barbara Schafer

Pastor’s Discretionary:

In Honor of Rebecca Hamrick by The Wesley Class

Youth:

In Memory of Rosa Linda Talbert by Jamie Beth Norman



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And our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/cumcshelby/