

# 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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## Experiencing God

## through Visual Art

Are you interested in learning how to use and create visual art in a variety of ways to deepen your relationship with God? Are you looking for an experiential way beyond mere reading, hearing and reflection to encounter God through creative experience?

Do you wish to participate in creating art even though you don't possess any particular artistic skills? If so, this experience is for you!

Pastor Mark Barden invites you to consider joining him on a journey to discover how visual art can draw you closer to God. As a part of his Doctor of Ministry project at Wesley Theological Seminary, Pastor Mark is looking for 8-10 people to gather weekly for six weeks to not only learn about this topic, but experience it through a variety of insightful activities.

If you are interested or know of anyone who is interested, please contact Pastor Mark by Wednesday, Sept 5, at [mbarden@wnccumc.net](mailto:mbarden@wnccumc.net) or 704-300-8326 for more information or to register. You do not need to be a member of Central UMC to participate. If you know of someone in the community who would like to participate with you, invite them!

Meeting times may be adjusted depending upon the composition of the participants.

**Sunday, Sept. 16, 2-6 pm: Mini-Retreat – Co-Creators: Created In God's Image**

**Sunday, Sept. 23, 4-6 pm (tentative): Week 1 – What Is Beauty?**

**Sunday, Sept. 30, 4 -6 pm (tentative): Week 2 – The Role of Visual Art in Christianity**

**Sunday, Oct. 7 4-6 pm (tentative): Week 3 – Creating and Using Visual Art as a Spiritual Discipline**

**Sunday, Oct. 14: Week 4 – Incorporating the Discipline of Artistic Expression into One's Spiritual Life**

**Saturday, Oct. 20: Retreat – Creating Visual Art in an Atmosphere of Prayer**

**August 19-25, 2018  
Calendar of Events**

**Sunday** (Thirteenth 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)

**Monday**

9:00am Church Office opens  
9:00am Youth Ultimate Frisbee (Shelby City Park)

**Tuesday**

Counseling Center open (by appointment)  
9:00am Church Office opens  
11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)

**Wednesday**

9:00am Church Office opens  
6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
7:15pm Praise Ensemble Rehearsal

**Thursday**

Counseling Center open (by appointment)  
9:00am Church Office opens

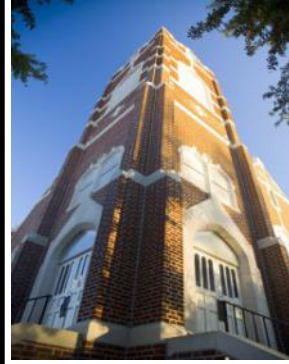
**Friday**

9:00am Church Office opens

**Saturday**

11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)

**Serving Sunday, August 19, 2018**



**The Guppies**

Sunday School and Worship:  
Diana Mullinax

**Nursery Volunteer**

Sunday School: Terry Brown  
Worship: Allison Mauney

**The Stars**

Sunday School and Worship:  
Linda Zachary

**Collection Counters:**

Allison Mauney and Chris Mabry

**Collection Counters 8/26/2018:**

Jim Morgan and Allison Mauney

**Sunday School Assistant:**

Bill Henshaw

**Children's Sermon:**

Fawn Mikel



Central extends our deepest sympathies to the family of Bill Carpenter who passed away August 9th and to Annette Hobson who's father,

Fred Hutchins, passed away August 10th.

**2018 Stewardship**

10:00 am Worship (August 12).....	148
Sunday School (August 12).....	75
2018 Operating Budget.....	\$776,410.22
2018 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$64,700.85
Total Receipts for Month of August.....	\$17,906.01
Total Receipts for 8/5/18-8/9/18.....	\$17,906.01



If you have a preschooler, 5th grader, or one in between, mark your calendar now for all the fun, exciting things we have coming up this summer! Contact Savanna at 704-487-6336 or [childrensministry@cumshelby.org](mailto:childrensministry@cumshelby.org) if you have any questions or need more information.

**Sunday School**—9-9:45 am this Sunday we'll be doing a service project to finish up our lessons on Green Church, learning what it means to be good stewards of this beautiful planet that God has created. Starting July 15th we'll be learning about Heroes from our Faith.

**Back to School Celebration**—Join us on August 26th during Sunday School as we celebrate going back to school and welcome our rising Kindergartners. We'll see you in Room 301 of the Education Building!

**Change to Make a Change** – Our children have loved collecting loose change from parishioners during worship the last Sunday. They have chosen to use the offerings collected to purchase children books and food for children in our community. So look under the sofa cushions, dig through the bottom of your purse and empty the car ashtray to help our children collect change on **Sunday, August 26th**, to be the change this world needs!



CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS  
**Weekly Update**

**Sunday**  
 Tribes at 9 am

**Monday**  
 Our Last Ultimate Frisbee of the Summer  
 9-11 am  
 Shelby City Park

**August 31st**  
 Adult Youth Leadership Meeting  
 6 pm

**Some SpiritUs 2018 pictures**  
 You can find more pictures on our website at [cumcshelby.org/grow/youth](http://cumcshelby.org/grow/youth)



**Labor Day Cookout** – The Hot Lunch Ministry is providing a cookout for the community on Monday, September 3rd, 11:30 am -12:30 pm. We hope you will participate! How can you be a part of this wonderful day???

- 1) Come eat!!! Join our neighbors for a hamburger or hot dog and the trimmings. And the best part – you get to know others!
  - 2) Donate fresh tomatoes, lettuce and onions for the meal. Bring your contributions to church on Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - 3) Cook or serve... come flip hamburgers or grill some dogs or pick up a pitcher and serve some cool tea!
- Contact Gary or Linda Staymate at 704-466-8789 for more information or to serve.



**Celebration of Life**

Chuck Perry and the family of Carol Ann MacDonald Perry invite friends to join them in remembering and honoring Carol at a burial next Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. at Sunset Cemetery, with a celebration of life

immediately following. Carol passed away March 7 in Florida. She and Chuck were members and attended church at Central when they lived here in Shelby. Her family thanks Central for their love and support.



**BIRTHDAYS**

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|-----------|-------------------|
| August 19 | Jayne Mullinax    |
| August 19 | Gus Gregory       |
| August 19 | Barbara Schafer   |
| August 19 | Eleanor Morgan    |
| August 20 | Jasson Dority     |
| August 20 | Amy Lookabill     |
| August 21 | Ollie Anthony     |
| August 21 | Matthew Grenier   |
| August 23 | Jim Pressley      |
| August 23 | Laura Mitchell    |
| August 24 | Ethel Willis      |
| August 24 | Justin Gregory    |
| August 24 | Benjamin Hamilton |
| August 25 | Marsha Garwood    |
| August 25 | Elizabeth Bridges |



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## Memorials and Honorariums

### Pastor's Discretionary:

In Honor of Frankie Patterson by The Wesley Class

### Operating:

In Memory of Courtney Brown by Paul & Pat Ellison

## How Can I Find Out What's Going On?

We have a great website at [cumcshelby.org](http://cumcshelby.org) that is full of useful information, upcoming events, and memories past. There's a page for Adults to find out where they can "plug in". The Children's page has information on our music programs, the Kid's Place Preschool, all necessary forms and pictures from past events and so much more. Have a youth? Check out the Youth page and find pictures from SpiritUs and Wilderness Trail as well as information on what's available each week. We hope you'll venture over to it and check it out—especially in the next few weeks when we start updating for all the new fall events coming up!

**NEW OLDER ADULT MINISTRY** – As life changes our interests also change. Children Leave home and we have time for the things we have put off for many years – new hobbies, travel, educational opportunities, social gatherings, spiritual growth. Adult members of Central UMC are wanting your input regarding interests. This Sunday, simple survey, will be available. PLEASE take a few moments to complete it and return it Pastor Fawn before leaving.



**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 interested, please contact Laura Lombardi at 631-294-6656 or [savedbyhymn@gmail.com](mailto:savedbyhymn@gmail.com)



## Word and Wine Bible Study

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

Join us as we continue *The 10 Commandments: More Than Just Some Good Ideas*

\*\*August 20th—#9 What does it mean to “bear false witness?” and #10 Why can't I covet things?

Word and Wine will be taking a few weeks off in September. Please watch to see what's coming and mark your calendar to join us October 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Summer Backpack Ministry

Next week is our last week to deliver food to families in our community as part of our summer backpack ministry. It has been an incredible time of getting to know and love families in our community. Please bring with you to church this Sunday **BREAD, CANNED TUNA and TOOTHPASTE.** *Also, we have a family in need of a refrigerator. If you have a refrigerator in working condition you could donate, it would be a great gift to a sweet grandmother raising 2 beautiful grandchildren!*

And don't forget our **School Backpack Ministry** is gearing up! Contact Lori Wilson or the church office to serve!

**Israel Pilgrimage** – We have ordered plane Tickets for our Holy Land Pilgrimage, February 7 20, 2019. BUT, it's not too late! 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.