

# THE CENTRAL ISSUE

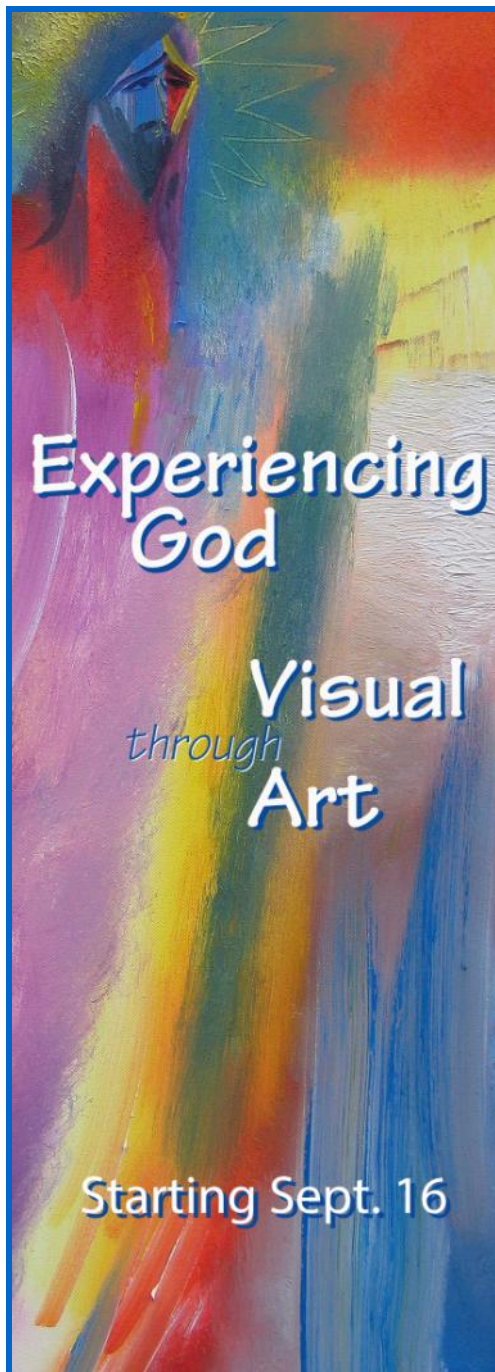
CENTRAL UMC SHELBY IS A SAFE SANCTUARIES CHURCH

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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This innovative six-week experience will enable participants to explore their spirituality through visual art. For full details see the Aug. 8th and 15th issues of the newsletter or go to <http://cumcshelby.org/grow/adults/> on the website. Have concerns about participating? Here are a few things to consider:

1. You do not have to possess any artistic ability. This approach is designed for both persons without or with skills. Your work is not judged ... only a tool to help you grow. This is a safe environment for those who have a desire to do something artistically without having to meet a perceived standard. The only requirement is that you be open to the Holy Spirit!
2. Though the schedule TENTATIVELY lists Sunday afternoons as meeting times, these are negotiable. Recognizing this may not be the best time, it can be adjusted according to the schedule of the participants. (Panthers home games are a reality we can work around!) We will do our best to work with your schedules.
3. We really would appreciate your participation. This is open to anyone in our community. So far, only one person has signed up. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastor Mark no later than Wednesday, Sept. 5.



## Children's Choirs

Calling ALL CHILDREN!  
Butterfly (4 years old and Kindergartners) and  
Sonshine (1st-5th graders)  
choirs are going to start their rehearsals on Wednesday, September 12 at 5 pm. Meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building and/or contact Danny Buckner for more information at [danny@cumcshelby.org](mailto:danny@cumcshelby.org).

## Fall Bible Studies

We are going to be kicking off new studies starting in September. Some of the options include Continuing the SHIFT Conversation, Discipled, Disciple Fast Track, and Draw the Circle. Coming in October will be Word and Wine and In the Dust of the Rabbi. More information will be coming out soon. Space is limited for some, so be sure to sign up early!

**August 26-31, 2018  
Calendar of Events**

**Sunday** (Fourteenth 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  
11:00am Prayer Team

**Tuesday**

Counseling Center open (by appointment)  
9:00am Church Office opens  
11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)  
2:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive

**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 26, 2018**



**The Guppies**

Sunday School and Worship:  
Amy Lookabill

**Nursery Volunteer**

Sunday School: Laura Rucker  
Worship: Janet Edwards

**The Stars**

Sunday School and Worship:  
Linda Zachary

**Collection Counters:**

Allison Mauney and Jim Morgan

**Collection Counters 9/2/2018:**

Jim Morgan and Brad Richardson

**Sunday School Assistant:**

Jim Kunkle

**Children's Sermon:**

Julianne McDowell



Our next blood drive will be Tuesday, August 28th from 2 pm until 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Call 980-295-8576 with any questions. The need is great and you could make a difference.

**2018 Stewardship**

10:00 am Worship (August 19).....	160
Sunday School (August 19).....	71
2018 Operating Budget.....	\$776,410.22
2018 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$64,700.85
Total Receipts for Month of August.....	\$22,869.29
Total Receipts for 8/12/18-8/15/18.....	\$4,963.28



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**

Have a Great First Day of School!

**August 31st**

Adult Youth Leadership Meeting  
 6 pm

**September 16**

CUMC Youth Starts 5:30-7:30 pm

**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 704-466-8787 for more information or to serve.



**Supper Club**

It's almost time for Supper Club to resume for the fall. If you are a current participant and do NOT want to join in this time, please let Brenda Whicker know. If you would like to join as a first timer, more information will be coming in the next couple of weeks or you can contact Brenda Whicker at mangrec@hotmail.com.

**Suit Up and Show Up**

100 men and women. 400 excited kids. 1 school.



**Suit up.** Model what success looks like.

Arrive at Jefferson Elementary in what you wear to work.

**Show up.**

During our first week of school, join 99 other men and women from our community to help welcome Jefferson's students to a new year and a future filled with possibility.

School starts August 27, 2018. We invite you to select a day during our first week to show our students that they have the support of our community.

Please sign up using this link. We will email updates and onsite details prior to the first day of school:

<https://goo.gl/forms/OahRczvBNTbhqbXi1>

**August and  
 September**



**BIRTHDAYS**

August 26	Frances Sizemore
August 26	Jim Wilson
August 26	Wesley Henshaw
August 27	Tracie Naman
August 28	Jodi Morgan
August 28	Will Garwood
August 28	Natalie Hamilton
August 29	Steve Hill
August 30	Todd Carpenter
August 30	Justin Pollock
August 30	Adam Tapp
August 31	Joe Morgan
September 1	Margaret Camp
September 1	Joseph Hendrick



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## Memorials and Honorariums

### Goodnight Ministries:

In Honor of Paul & Pat Ellison by Scott & Sheila Ellison

### Literature:

To help with literature cost by Hoey Bible Class



**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)



“I would like to thank you for allowing me to be a participant in the Pack Your Trunk shopping spree. I was able to get items I needed as well as

making connections with such caring women. This opportunity was so helpful to me, and I hope to be able to help someone in the same way once day. I thank you again for giving me this chance, and I hope to keep in touch.

Sincerely,  
Ceneyah Russell”

**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.

## Summer Backpack Ministry

Thank you all for making our Summer Backpack Ministry such a success! We were able to assist 10 families with 37 children to receive fresh meat, dairy, vegetables and fruit. What a blessing! And don’t forget our **School Backpack Ministry** is gearing up! Children recognized as being food insecure are given a bag of food to take home each weekend to meet their needs. Contact Lori Wilson or the church office to serve! *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!*



## 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.

## The Mystery Has Been Solved!

The Big Red Membership/History Book that has been missing has been found! Thank you to whoever returned this integral part of Central’s history—we are so grateful to have it back on our premises.

## Upcoming Committee Meetings

If you are on Lay Leadership or Stewardship, please mark your calendar for the following meetings:

\*\*Lay Leadership (Nominating) - Tuesday, Sept. 4, 5:30 pm

\*\*Stewardship - Thursday, Sept. 6, 5:30 pm