



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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Visioning Team Continues to Look to the Future

The Central UMC Visioning Team met for the second time on Nov. 1 to begin revising our guidelines for ministry. This is a dynamic process that is ever-evolving. Their work was based upon the efforts of the Church Council several years ago. Here is what the group is currently considering.

OUR MISSION – Why do we exist? Central UMC exists because of and for Christ who invites us as individuals and a community of faith to follow Jesus so closely that others experience His presence through our words and actions.

OUR CORE VALUES – How do we behave?

- Prayerfulness
- Joyful
- Authentic
- Unselfish Care toward others

Aspirational Values – How do we want to behave – in order to live our purpose?

- Lean into being Spirit led.
- Develop an outward focus
- Build trust (people to pastor, pastor to people, and people to leaders)
- Continue to be open to Change
- Accept others as Christ accepts
- Continue to work to be Committed and Supportive

OUR PURPOSE – What do we do? The purpose of Central UMC is to be a Christ-centered church focusing on caring for each other by building relationships, trusting in the Lord, doing good works, and blessing others with Christ's love.

OUR STRATEGIC ANCHORS – How will we succeed?

- Experiencing Community will be successful when we build relationships (share life) with people we don't know well.
- Experiencing Personal Transformation will be successful when people take responsibility for their own spiritual growth.
- Experiencing Social Transformation will be successful when we see our work through love and grace result in positive change in our homes, our work places, our community, and our world.
- Experiencing Purpose Finding will be successful when we discover, claim, and practice our spiritual gifts, talents, and abilities.
- Experiencing Creativity will be successful when we boldly encounter God in new and exciting ways.
- Experiencing Accountability will be successful when we are encouraged to embrace the wholeness of who God calls us to be.

Our Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Pack on Nov. 17th, will go around the Moss Lake area to collect food donations for our Hot Lunch Program. They appreciate your support.

Word and Wine –Join us every Monday evening at 6:30 pm at Dragonfly Wine Market.
November 19th – Saudi Arabia

**November 18-24, 2018
Calendar of Events**

Sunday (Twenty-sixth 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)
4:00pm Crossfire Rehearsal
5:30pm NO UMYF

Monday

9:00am Church Office opens
11:00am Prayer Team
6:00pm Cub Scouts (in the PAC)
6:30pm Word and Wine (at Dragonfly)
7:00pm Boy Scouts (in the PAC)

Tuesday

Counseling Center open (by appointment)
7:15am High School Breakfast at Chick-fil-A
9:00am Church Office opens
11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)
3:00pm Slice Turkeys (Fellowship Hall Kitchen)
6:30pm Disciple Bible Study (Conference Room)
7:00pm Thanksgiving Service (Ascension Lutheran)
7:00pm NO Central Ringers

Wednesday

9:00am Church Office opens
9:30am Gospel of John Bible Study (Conference Room)
1:00pm Church Office Closes for Thanksgiving Holiday
4:00pm Thanksgiving Meal (Jefferson Park)
5:00pm NO Butterfly and Sonshine Choirs
6:00pm NO Youth Bible Study
6:00pm NO Chancel Choir Rehearsal
6:45pm NO Messiah Rehearsal
7:50pm NO Praise Ensemble Rehearsal

Thursday

Counseling Center closed
9:00am Church Office Closed

Friday

9:00am Church Office Closed

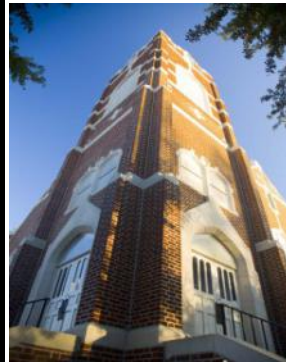
Saturday

11:30am Hot Lunch Program (PAC)



Tuesday, November 20th at 7 pm
Ascension Lutheran Church
300 N. Lafayette Street, Shelby, NC 28150
Choir practice will be at 6 pm before the service.

Serving Sunday, November 18, 2018



The Guppies

Sunday School and Worship:
Amy Lookabill

Nursery Volunteer

Sunday School: Lori Wilson
Worship: Ellen Benfield

The Stars

Sunday School and Worship:
Linda Zachary

Collection Counters:

Mitch Hensley and Chris Mabry

Collection Counters 11/25/2018:

Chris Mabry and Allison Mauney

Sunday School Assistant:

Page Morgan

Children's Sermon:

Pastor Fawn



OOPS! My

apologies to those with birthdays from November 12-17, I apparently lost my place in the birthday list and jumped right over you! We hope you had a blessed birthday!
Gina

November 12	Kent Bridges
November 12	Bob Henshaw
November 12	Braden Cox
November 13	Norman Crews
November 13	CC Guy
November 13	Sue Willis
November 14	Kay Dority
November 14	Reid Bridges
November 14	Chris Wilkes
November 14	Sam Morgan
November 14	Lillian Lutz
November 15	Wiley Huneycutt
November 15	Jeff Simpson
November 15	Riley Nestlerode
November 16	Julianne McDowell
November 16	Diana Mullinax
November 17	Bill Jack

CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS
Weekly Update

Sunday

Tribes at 9 am
 NO UMYF at 5:30-7:00 pm

Tuesday

High School Breakfast at Chick-fil-A at 7:15 am

Wednesday

NO Youth Bible Study at 6 pm

Mark Your Calendar:

**APC on November 17th



**Haywood Street Trip—youth please sign up online at bit.ly/haywoodstreetsignup

**UMYF Christmas Party December 16th

Welcome New Member!

Central UMC would like to welcome Lorinda McDowell into our church family. Lorinda joined November 11th from Republic, PA.



Keep an eye out for new things starting this Fall! Contact Savanna at 704-487-6336 or

childrensministry@cumshelby.org if you have any questions or need more information.

Sunday School—9-9:45 am every Sunday

3rd Grade Bible Class—During Sunday School in E312

Godly Play—All K-2nd graders will meet in the Godly Play rooms for Sunday School.

Change to Make a Change — Our children have loved collecting loose change from parishioners during worship the last Sunday of every month. So look under the sofa cushions, dig through the bottom of your purse and empty the car ashtray to help our children collect change Sunday, November 25th, to be the change this world needs!



At this Thanksgiving, I rejoice and give thanks for the many prayers for Bill from Central's Congregation. The flowers on the altar this Sunday glorify God, your loving concern for us, and Bill's birthday on November 17. Marilyn Jack

2018 Stewardship

10:00 am Worship (November 11).....	150
Sunday School (November 11).....	79
2018 Operating Budget.....	\$776,410.22
2018 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$64,700.85
Total Receipts for Month of November.....	\$14,176.03
Total Receipts for 11/4/18-11/8/18.....	\$14,176.03

The WinGS **“CHILI /DESSERT” (C/D) Sale** will be this Sunday the 18th, immediately after Worship in the Fellowship Hall. This is your opportunity to stock up on Beefy Chili, Chicken Chili and Black Bean Vegetarian Chili. Winter is almost here and these very chilly days call for some warm flavorful chili. And for



dessert: Lemon Cheesecake, Baked Alaska, mini Coconut Glazed Bundt Cakes, Apple Cream Cheese Bundt Cake, and much more. There will be a tasting of the 3 kinds of Chili to help you decide on your favorite. Come one —come all.





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Memorials and Honorariums

Operating:

In Honor of Dr. Mike Ribadeneyra by Susan Snyder

In Memory of Bill Carpenter by Barbara McLarty

In Memory of Dean Whisnant by Barbara McLarty

In Memory of Beth Clark by Barbara McLarty

Children's Ministry:

In Memory of Beth Clark by Gene Clark Family

Visioning Team Begins Work

The visioning team, appointed by Church Council Chairperson Jessica Talbert has met for the first time with Kim Shockley, our district congregational vitality strategist. Kim is leading our team on laying the groundwork for ministry at Central UMC in the future. Beginning with the “playbook” developed by the Council several years ago, the team will update it and work on ways we can focus on doing what God is calling us to do well instead of “being scattered” in our approach to ministry.

Kim is helping the team to understand the nature of visioning, which is based on God’s picture of a preferred future for Central UMC She said it is important to keep vision fluid, adaptable, flexible with changing culture. Vision becomes the heart of an organization – everything you do has to run through the vision, much like the circulatory system runs through the heart.

Please keep our team in your prayers and feel free to be in conversation with them about the future. Members are Chris Mabry, Ethan Richardson, Bob Snyder, Sarah Nestlerode, Rob Mauney, Marilyn Henshaw, Suzanne Hensley, Fawn Mikel and Mark Barden.



OWLS

Older, Wiser, Livelier Seniors

November 19th—Café at the Mall

in Forest City is beckoning us with a great lunch and fresh desserts! Meet at Central at 11:15 am.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL --

Since 2016, Feeding Kids Cleveland County and many community partners have joined together to host an annual Thanksgiving meal. This meal is a community effort aiming to bring all areas of the Shelby community together in unity for a shared meal and fellowship. The meal takes place in four locations simultaneously the Wednesday before Thanksgiving in some of our community's high need areas. Central UMC has been invited to be a part of the meal at Jefferson Park. **We need 15 prepared and sliced turkeys to serve.** If you are unable to cook a turkey, your help is needed to slice cooked turkeys in the church kitchen at **3 pm on Tuesday.** (Really, your help is needed – when Pastor Fawn slices a turkey no one knows what type of meat they are eating!) Volunteers are also needed to help serve on Wednesday. Sign up to serve at <http://www.feedingkidscc.org/2018-cttm> Lastly, **JOIN OUR COMMUNITY AND EAT A DELICIOUS MEAL beginning at 4 pm on Wednesday, Nov. 21st, at Jefferson Park!** What a great way to give thanks for the community God has given us.



Church Office Hours for the Holidays

Please make note of the following changes in office hours during the upcoming Holiday season.

Thanksgiving:

November 21—Office closes at 1 pm. Newsletter deadline is Tuesday (11/20) at 1 pm. Bulletin deadline is Tuesday (11/20) at 4 pm.

November 22-23—Office Closed

Christmas and New Years:

December 25-26—Office Closed-no newsletter this week.

January 1—Office Closed