



# THE CENTRAL ISSUE

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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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## OPEN TABLE

Come join the fun this week by **HELPING** to pickup and unload food donations on Wednesdays and Fridays. **THIS IS A CRITICAL NEED!!!** For more information or to volunteer contact Bob Snyder at 606-923-4239 or [bearlythere@icloud.com](mailto:bearlythere@icloud.com)

## Prescription/Over-The-Counter Bottles

YES, we are still collecting empty prescription, vitamin, over-the-counter medicine bottles for use in 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries. You may bring them to the church office. (Please remove any labels with your name.)



## Upcoming Celebrations

As we move closer to summer, Central UMC is entering an exciting period of change. With that, we have much to celebrate! You are invited to join us in celebrating the ministries of Pastor Mark, Pastor Fawn, and

Pastor David at the following events:

- Sunday, June 13, Shelby Court Square–  
Going Away Reception for Pastor Mark**
- Sunday, June 20, Shelby City Pavilion–  
Retirement Luncheon for Pastor Fawn**
- Sunday, July 11, Shelby Court Square–  
Welcome Reception for Pastor David Lee**

Save these dates now and look for more details to come! If you are interested in helping with these events, contact SPRC Chair, Rocky Lutz at [rockyandliz@aol.com](mailto:rockyandliz@aol.com).

We encourage the church to bring "Thank You" cards to the receptions and for those who are willing and able we will be collecting a "**Love Offering**" for Pastor Fawn. These can be placed in the collection boxes at worship or brought to the church office through Thursday June 25th. Please mark "Love Offering" on the memo line or on the outside of the envelope.

Thank you to everyone for your help and have a great week.

## VBS Volunteer Sign Up

Shelley and Savanna are working on getting a COVID-safe VBS together for the preschool and elementary kids of our church and community. Several of our church kids, including some familiar names from Kid's Place, have already registered!



This year, our children need to be reminded that they are known, they belong, they are forgiven, they can change, and they can make a difference. That's what this Vacation Bible School is all about! We need help in teaching them those lessons though. Would you all be willing to serve in some way? There are lots of ways to help! Just sign up here: <http://bit.ly/CUMCVBSVolunteer>.

Just a reminder, our VBS dates are July 26th-29th, 9 AM-12 PM, and our kickoff event is on Sunday, July 25th. Shelley and Savanna will provide all necessary curriculum, supplies, etc. Registration is <https://forms.gle/xBYLC6tQ6avHU99n6>



CUMC extends our deepest sympathies to Danny Buckner and family on the death of his mother, Suzy, on Saturday, June 5th. Her funeral service will be June 12th at 4 pm at Poplar Springs Baptist Church.

## Transition Salutations

For the next few weeks we will be collecting your cards and letters of Good Bye for Pastors Mark and Fawn and Words of Welcome for Rev. David Lee. There will be baskets outside the sanctuary near the Choir Room and in the office (or you may mail them to the office. Please include Attn: Pastor Mark, Attn: Pastor Fawn, or Attn: Rev. David Lee on the outside of your envelope).

Pastor Mark's will be presented to him on June 13th.

Pastor Fawn's will be given to her on June 20th.

Rev. David Lee's will be presented to him on July 11th.



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### Birthdays

- June 13 KC Rucker
- June 15 Barbara Pressley
- June 15 Dicky Amaya
- June 15 Mary Forrest
- June 16 Dan Keggan
- June 16 Martha Johnson
- June 18 Steve Talbert

### Children's Ministry



### God Made Us All Good

Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM-12 PM  
CUMC Fellowship Hall

This is a morning of activities experiencing different cultures to learn about how God made us all different on purpose and how we are meant to love and encourage those differences in the people around us. We will do crafts, games, music, and Bible study! Contact Savanna if your kids would like to come! It will be perfect for 3 yr olds-5th graders. Be sure to check out our Summer Schedule at <http://cumcshelby.org/grow/children/childrens-ministry/>!

**Sunday School** locations:

- 4 & Under- Room E107
- K-2nd Grade- Room E309 (Godly Play)
- 3rd-5th Grade- Room E301

## CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS

# Weekly Update

\*Sunday School at 9 am in the Youth Common Room (S3 Floor)

\*Check out <http://cumcshelby.org/grow/youth/> for our summer schedule!

### Memorials and Honorariums

#### Operating:

In Memory of Paul Ellison by Kip & Robin Smith

#### Piano:

- In Memory of Polly Payne by Joanne Schenck
- In Memory of Betty Harris by Joanne Schenck
- In Memory of Margie Smith by Joanne Schenck

#### Open Table:

In Memory of Loyd Smith by Joanne Schenck

### Sunday School Every Sunday at 9 am

We are excited to regroup-with social distancing and masks of course!

#### Adult classes:

Growing Christians – 1E, Porter Activity Center (PAC)

Hoey Bible Class – 2S, Parlor

Saints and Sinners – 1S, Fellowship Hall

### 2021 Stewardship

2021 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$59,490.59
Total Receipts in May.....	\$47,226.31
May Expenses.....	\$57,146.12
Over/—Under Budget for the month.....	-\$9,919.81
Over/—Under Budget for the year.....	-\$10,928.87

### Bible Studies

**JUDGES** Thursdays, 7 pm, The Israelites have safely arrived into the Promised Land, yet they need help in understanding how to live as God's people. God provides Judges – remarkable men and women providing leadership, wisdom and discernment. Join Daniel Sprinkle for this exciting Bible Study via Zoom. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77730182181?pwd=cXRkbFJNekExSUUp2RW4xVU43RFpOUT09>

**WORD AND WINE** – Word and Wine will reconvene on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, and again travel with Ray Vander Laan through the Holy Land as we discover the Early Church. What can the beginning followers of Christianity teach us today. Join us at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84723456483>