

Central United Methodist 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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Please scan the QR code to the left and fill out the connect card to let us know you are worshipping with us and how we can connect you to our ministries.

The Worship of God

October 18, 2026 10:00am

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Prelude *The Goodness of God* Fielding
Praise Ensemble Instrumentalists

*Congregational Songs *Blessed Be Your Name*

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Stewardship Moment Mary Graham Forrest

Offertory *Lord, Whose Love* Bayly
Through Humble Service
Praise Ensemble Instrumentalists

Doxology #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Anthem *Build My Life* Redman
Praise Ensemble

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, oh, we live for You

Jesus, the Name above every other name
Jesus, the only One who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, oh, we live for You

Holy, there is no one like You, there is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
Show me who You are and fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love it is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken

Scripture	Mark 10:35-45	
Sermon	**The Path: Serve – HERE I AM**	Rev David Lee
*Congregational Hymn	*Go to the World*	
*Benediction		
*Postlude	*They'll Know We're Christians By Our Love* Libby Alexander, organ	Scholtes

*Please stand as you are able.

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

Welcome to Central United Methodist Church!

We are grateful you are here and pray that you experience God's love, grace, and presence in worship today. As a "Safe Sanctuary" congregation, we ask that all children always remain accompanied by a parent or responsible adult, including when using the restroom during the service. The restrooms are through the doors to the right of the chancel stage. Childcare for infants and preschool-aged children is available in Room E105. If you need hearing devices, large-print Bibles, or large-print hymnals our users will be happy to assist you.

Central UMC Linktree QR Code: Please use this QR Code for Connect Card, Online Giving, Wish List, and all other links!

*****Jack Arey supplied pocket crosses for the church that are at each vestibule. Please feel free to take one. They are in the green bowls.*****

Ministry Needs

Below is a list of volunteer and donation needs for some of our ministries:
Backpack Ministry: For October: **Fruit Cups** Open Table: **Water Bottles**

Prayer Concerns

For this week, please pray for the following:
*All of those recovering or suffering from medical issues, physical and emotional.

CUMC Family

1/16 Ollie Anthony
4/25 Becky and Steve Hill
8/16 John Juba, healing - cancer diagnosis
9/30 Anne Wray – moving home
10/13 Marilyn Henshaw - recovery from a fall

Family and Friends

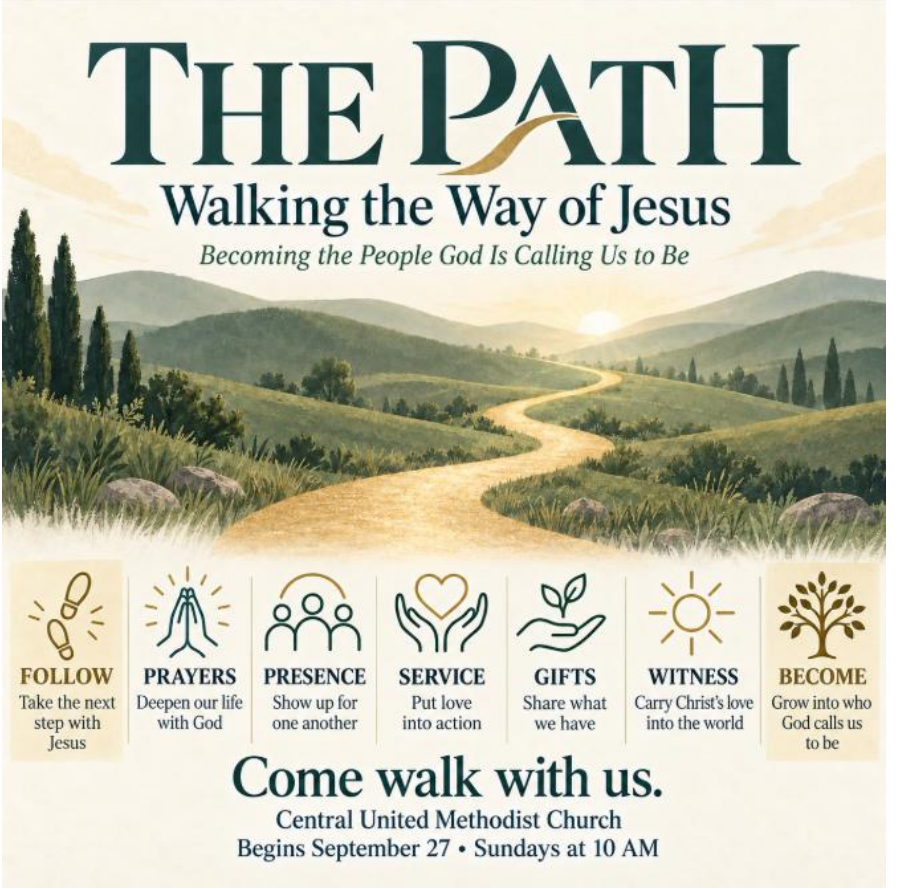
3/30 Heidi Bishop Reuschling, sister of West Bishop - Complications from Long Covid
4/1 Parker Campbell deployment, Pilot on Aircraft Carrier to Middle East
6/9 Matt Arey - Cancer
6/14 Turner Morris - rodeo accident, is currently doing outpatient therapy at Shepards House in Georgia
7/19 Joyce Jackson, long-time Open Table guest - recovering from a stroke
8/10 Tyler Wray - Open Table volunteer - joining marines. Left for Parris Island in Aug.
8/22 Rick Mann, brother of Elaine Mann recovery from fall
8/30 Asher Sherfinski's Aunt, who is very sick and her husband who is also her caretaker
9/3 Connie Daman, eyesight recovery
9/14 Monica Noble's cousin's husband Joshua (started an 82-day chemo journey on 9/14) and her Cousin Samantha and their three children Joshua Jr., Maddie and Sophie, all affected by this journey
9/27 Mrs. Louise Frazier, Bradley Ellis grandmother, who is widowed and struggling with loneliness and cognitive decline.
10/5 Shirley Eaker's newborn great-grandchild (in Wake Forest hospital with severe health issues)
10/5 Sympathy to the Family of Lynn Luce (Cassie Plaster's mother)
10/5 Sandy Carlton, beginning cancer treatment

Other

Military & First Responders
Our Homeless Community

Looking Ahead with Faith: 2027 Stewardship

Our stewardship mailing includes a **2027 Faith Estimate of Giving** card to help us plan next year's budget and ministries. Please prayerfully consider your giving and bring your completed card on
Stewardship Sunday, October 25 or any of the other methods of return.
Stay after worship for a Town Hall meeting to hear updates on what **Central Forward** has been working on, ask questions, and join the conversation. Thank you for helping Central **worship, grow, and serve!**



THE PATH: Serve — "Here I Am"

This Sunday, we continue **The Path: Walking the Way of Jesus** as we turn our focus to **Serve**. In **Mark 10:35–45**, Jesus reminds us that greatness in God's Kingdom is not about status or recognition, but about our willingness to serve others.

With the message **"Here I Am,"** we'll consider what it means to make ourselves available to God and to the needs around us. Service can happen through simple acts of kindness, meeting a need, sharing our time, or stepping forward when someone needs a helping hand. As we continue along The Path, we are invited to ask: **Where is God calling me to show up and serve?**

Trunk or Treat
Sunday
October 25,
5:00pm

Central UMC parking lot
Come in costume for some family fun to our Trunk or Treat!
Youth will be serving hot chocolate.
If you'd like to decorate a trunk, please sign up by contacting Caroline Scism and arrive in the parking lot by 4:45pm on that day.



Youth Group Calendar

- Sunday, October 18th – **No Youth**
- Sunday, October 25th – Youth help w/Trunk-or-Treat 5-6:30pm
  *Serving Hot Chocolate, Family has a Trunk

Please see the link and QR code to sign up to feed our youth this fall. Thank you for your support going into this fall season!!
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49A4AB23A1FFC70-65411038-youth

Fall Discipleship Opportunities

This fall, grow in faith and community through one of these discipleship opportunities at Central. All are welcome! Stay tuned for start dates

Wednesday Night Book Study: September 2 – November 11
Field Notes for the Wilderness
Wednesdays | 5:15–6:00 PM
Facilitated by Tammy Hollifield

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study – September 10 - October 22
Thursdays | 9:30 AM
"Messy People" by Jennifer Coward
Facilitated by Jessica Talbert,
for more info call Jessica at 704-692-3441.

Men's Saturday Bible Study: The Sermon on the Mount
First and Third Saturdays | 8:00 AM
All men are invited to join this in-depth study of Matthew 5–7.

Disciple IV Bible Study class
Disciple IV Bible Study class will begin on Tuesday afternoon September 15th at 3:00 in the conference room. Class meets every Tuesday from 3:00 until 5:30. The Disciple IV series will begin with 1st Chronicles and cover a number of chapters. The cost of a Disciple IV workbook is $45.

WINGS – Next Meeting!

We are looking forward to our OCTOBER MEETING! Please join us as we gather for caring and inviting fellowship, information galore and plans for service to our church and this community.
See YOU there!
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21st @ 11:00am in the church Fellowship Hall.



Exciting news! 🎉 KIDS PLACE PRESCHOOL is doing a fundraiser!

Every purchase helps us reach our goal.

📣 Fundraiser runs October 7 – October 21.

⚡ Our fundraiser is still going strong! Don't miss your chance to support KIDS PLACE PRESCHOOL! Get your holiday essentials and stock up on treats today! Every order counts and brings us closer to our goal. 💪

Wish to support our fundraiser?
Start shopping at the link below or scan the linktree
https://fundraisingshoppingcart.com/store/brochures.php?sID=FS2908013-26



Shelley Rempson
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