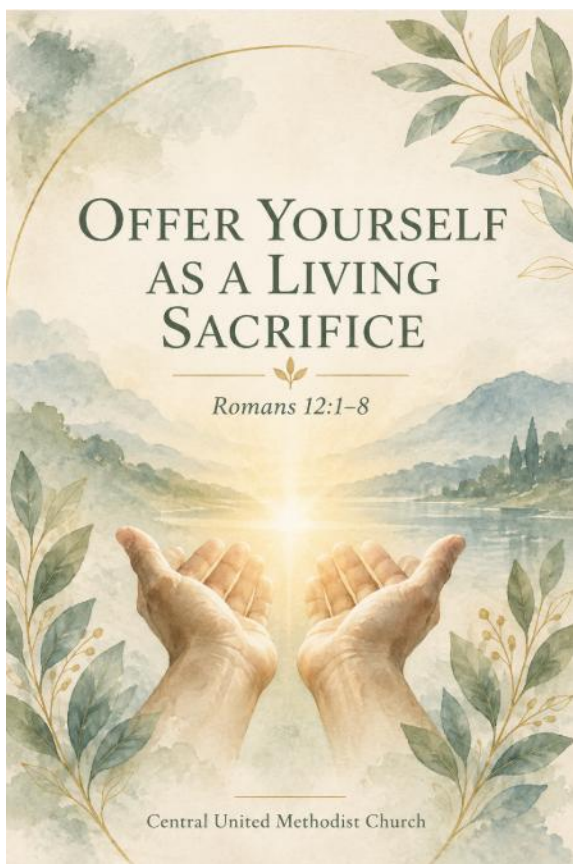




Central United Methodist Church

Our Mission:

To make disciples of Christ who **WORSHIP** God,
GROW in their faith and **SERVE** in the church and world.

Rev. David Lee, Pastor
Dr. Tammy Bass, Director of Discipleship
Caroline Scism, Director of Children Ministries
Danny Buckner, Director of Music Ministries
Katie Bowers, Director of Youth Ministries

200 East Marion Street
Shelby, NC 28150



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

September 20, 2026

10:00am

Welcome and Announcements

Tammy Bass

Passing of the Peace

Prelude

For the Life That You Have Given

arr. Aber

Libby Alexander, organ

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ
made known,

with the fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that
are your own:

here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and
strength we bring;

give us grace to love and serve you, living what we
pray and sing.

*Congregational Song

How Great Is Our God

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.

Children's Message

Monica Noble

Offertory

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

arr. Haan

Libby Alexander, organ

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

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Forrest

Chancel Choir

Lelia Lattimore, harp

Marie Cole, cello

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me save that thou art.
Thou my best thought by day and by night;
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Scripture

Romans 12:1-8

Sermon

What Comes Next?

Rev David Lee

*Congregational Song *God Has Work for Us to Do*

*Benediction

*Chiming the Trinity

*Postlude

Great God of Every Blessing

arr. Jordan

Libby Alexander, organ

***Please stand if 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.

God Has Work for Us to Do



1. 'Til all the jails are
2. 'Til age and race and
3. By pray - ing through our

emp - ty and all the bell - lies
gen - der no long - er sep - a -
do - ing, and sing - ing though we

filled; 'til no one hurts or
rate; 'til pul - pit, press, and
fear, by trust - ing that the

steals or lies, and no more blood is
pol - i - tics are free of greed and
seed we sow will bring God's har - vest

spilled: God has work for us to do,
hate:
near:

God has work for us to do, 'til

God's will is done, and all things are made new,

God has work for us, work for us to

1., 2. do!
3. do!

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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
7/31 Shelley Rempson - recovery from surgery
8/16 John Juba, healing - cancer diagnosis

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
4/27 Samantha Burrus, niece of Debbie Powell - breast cancer treatment
6/9 Matt Arey - Cancer
6/14 Turner Morris - rodeo accident, is currently in the hospital
7/15 Tracey Henderson - in the hospital with heart complications
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.
8/16 Dominic(16) and Angelo Pasour(19), loss of their father
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
8/30 Azral Perry's mother and father, mother has cancer, going through chemo
9/3 Connie Daman, eyesight recovery
9/11 The family of John Reid
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

Other

Military & First Responders
Our Homeless Community
Wars in Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan
Our Nation, County, and City

Ministry Needs

Below is a list of volunteer and donation needs for some of our ministries:

Backpack Ministry: For September: **Granola Bars** Open Table: **Water Bottles**

JOY Fall Gathering

Monday, September 21 - 11:45 AM - Showmars in Shelby

Join us for our first JOY gathering of the fall season as we honor Tammy at her final meeting as Director of Discipleship!

Bring your favorite tips and tricks for retirement as we share a meal, enjoy fellowship, and celebrate Tammy. We look forward to seeing all our Just Older Youth there!

Youth Group Calendar

❖ Sunday 9/20

Sunday School 9am – Pioneer Coffee

Youth 5-7pm

❖ Saturday 9/26 – Cookie Baking – 11:30am

❖ Sunday 9/27

Sunday School 9am – Pioneer Coffee

Youth 5-7pm



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>

Help Support Kids Place Preschool!

Kids Place is preparing for the 2026–2027 school year, beginning August 31! Our Open House will be held on August 26.

Here are three ways you can support this important ministry:

- Pray for our students, families, and teachers.
- Purchase classroom supplies needed from our Amazon Wish List.
- **Donate to the Kids Place Scholarship Fund, which is helping two families with tuition assistance. Please mark donations “Kids Place Scholarship.”**

– We need a total of \$2400 for the school year – that is \$135 per student per month. We are currently 4.17% to that goal. Please choose Kids Place Scholarship when giving online.



Scan the QR code for linktree. Thank you for helping Kids Place provide children with a strong academic and faith-filled foundation!

🍁 Pumpkin Painting at the Livermush Festival

Saturday, October 17 • 9:00 am–4:00 pm

Volunteers are needed!

Contact Leigh Mabry
(704) 472-1110 to sign up
for a 2-hour shift.

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

Field Notes for the Wilderness

Wednesdays | 5:15–6:00 PM

Facilitated by Tammy Hollifield

Field Notes for the Wilderness: Practices for an Evolving Faith by Sarah Bessey is a nurturing and hopeful book that helps Christians reconnect with their faith, pursue inner healing, and build spiritual community.

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study – September 10 - October 15

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. The group meets on the first and third Saturday of each month at 8:00 AM, before Open Table.

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 2nd Chronicles, Nehemiah, Esther, Daniel, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Job, Song of Solomon, and Psalms in the Old Testament. In the New Testament, we will cover the gospel of John; 1,2,3 John; Jude; James; and end with a study of Revelation. The class is open to anyone interested in attending.

The cost of a Disciple IV workbook is \$45.

Upcoming Discovery Class

Sunday, September 27th | After Service

Location - Fellowship Hall

Taught by Pastor David Lee

The Discovery Class is an opportunity to learn more about the United Methodist Church and particularly, Central UMC. Anyone interested in joining Central should attend the class. Our next Discovery Class will be offered on Sunday, September 27th, in the Fellowship Hall right after the church service. A light lunch is served, so please let Tammy Bass know if you are planning to attend. It will last about 2 hours. A nursery is available upon request.

The Narrative Budget - 2026

Please take a look at the Narrative Budget 2026 for CUMC -

This is a wonderful break down of how the church funds each pillar of ministry.

Central United Methodist Church 2026 NARRATIVE BUDGET



We are the body of Christ, called to mission and ministry in Shelby, NC and beyond. Central United Methodist Church equips our members to transform our community and the world through help, hope, and healing as disciples of Jesus Christ.

This brochure outlines our funding focus areas, and the many ways we can partner together to further the ministry of Christ. Below is an approximation for each priority. We invite you to prayerfully consider your commitment and participation as we grow together in mission and faith.



Worship & Welcome

Cultivating inspiring worship experiences that invite all people to express their faith, while extending God's welcoming love to everyone who walks through our doors

\$130,521
(15%)

Discipleship & Nurture

Equipping individuals for their lifelong journey of faith, and nurturing the God-given talents that lead them into works of service

\$113,985
(13%)

Mission & Outreach

Sharing the hope and love of Christ with our community and world through our presence, service, and resources that meet real needs with compassion and care

\$112,919
(13%)

Facilities

Maintaining welcoming spaces and facilities that serve our ministries and meet the needs of our congregation and community

\$263,043
(30%)

Administration

Equipping our congregation, pastors, staff, and ministries with the resources and support needed to carry out the mission of our church

\$201,667
(23%)

Apportionment

Giving faithfully to the connected mission of the United Methodist Church, extending our reach through district, conference and global ministries

\$55,225
(6%)





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