



The Central Issue

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

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Fall Discipleship Opportunities

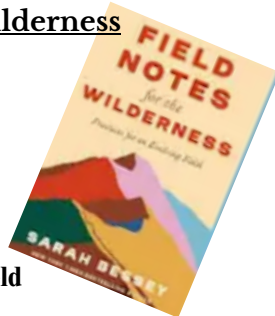
This fall, grow in faith and community through one of these discipleship opportunities at Central. All are welcome!

Wednesday Night Book Study: Field Notes for the Wilderness

Wednesdays | 5:15–6:00 PM

Conference Room

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.

Join us for an inclusive conversation where everyone is encouraged to bring their questions and doubts to the table. Together, we will explore practices for an evolving faith, including:

- Practicing wonder and curiosity as spiritual disciplines
- Learning to mother yourself with empathy
- Making space for lament and righteous rage
- Finding good spiritual teachers
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This class is open to everyone.

For questions, contact Tammy Hollifield at thollifield65@gmail.com.

Men's Saturday Bible Study: The Sermon on the Mount

First and Third Saturdays | 8:00 AM

Room E210, Education Building

Taught by Tim Sieges

C.S. Lewis described the Sermon on the Mount as a blueprint for Christian living—one that challenges us to live counter-culturally in a world often driven by power, fame, and self-interest.

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.

For questions, contact Tim Sieges at tim_sieges@wycliffe.org.

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study

Thursdays | 9:30 AM

Conference Room

Facilitated by Jessica Talbert

The Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study will gather on Thursday, August 20, for a time of fellowship and to choose its study for the fall. All ladies are welcome to join!

For more information, contact Jessica Talbert at 704-692-344.

Home Dedication

Habitat for Humanity in Cleveland County

In Cleveland County

invites you to a

Home Dedication

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Celebrating Our 40th Completed House

Join us as we celebrate this milestone accomplishment and those that made it possible.

Friday, August 7, 2026 | 5:30 PM
221 Maple Street, Shelby

RSVP: amyallenfh@gmail.com

"This is one of the two houses we built in partnership
with four area churches."



Parking is available at Marion Elementary School, where a complimentary shuttle will transport guests to the house. Please park at the school and watch for the shuttle van, which will be running throughout the event.

Additional parking is available along East Warren Street. There are also several parking spaces at the park located at the corner of Osborne Street and East Warren Street, both of which are within walking distance of the house.



Bring the whole family for a fun morning of mini golf and fellowship this Saturday, August 8th,

from 11:00 am–12:30 pm at Hangtime Golf Shelby, formerly Challenger 3, located at 1650 N. Post Road.

Games are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children.

Please bring your own lunch and drinks to enjoy during our family picnic.

Concessions will also be available for purchase.

We hope you'll join us!

Central Supper Club Registration Is Now Open!

Central Supper Clubs are returning for another year of delicious meals, meaningful conversation, and growing friendships! Participants will be placed in small groups that gather approximately once a month for dinner. Groups may take turns hosting in their homes or choose to meet at local restaurants.

Registration is open now through Sunday, August 23, and new Supper Club groups will be announced on Sunday, August 30.

Scan the QR code included here or click the link below to register:

[Register for Central Supper Clubs](#)

There is always room at the table!!



Supporting Shelley Rempson During Her Recovery

Shelley Rempson underwent major surgery on July 31st and is expected to return home this week. **A Meal Train has been organized** to support Shelley and her family during her recovery. **If you would like to provide a meal, please visit [Shelley's Meal Train](#).** Please continue to keep Shelley and her family in your prayers during this time.

Calendar of Events

August 9th - 15th, 2026

Sunday

Sunday School - 9:00am

Worship Service - 10:00am

Mural Painting 11am - 11:45am

Monday

Church Office Hours - 9:00am-3:30pm

Tuesday

Church Office Hours - 9:00am-3:30pm

Wednesday

Church Office Hours - 9:00am-3:30pm

Thursday

Church Office Hours - 9:00am-3:30pm

Friday

Church Office Hours - Closed

Saturday

Open Table Hot Lunch (PAC) - 10:30am

Service Sunday August 9th, 2026

Nursery Volunteer:

Dorothy Hernandez

Elementary Sunday School Teachers:

Rocky Lutz

Greeters:

Jessica & Daniel Talbert

Coffee Time Helpers:

Leigh & Chris Mabry

Coffee Maker:

Mike Schenck

Children's Sermon:

Caroline Scism

Offering Counters:

John Lattimore & Devereaux Hunter

2026 Stewardship

2026 Approved Budget

Amount-\$876,810.72

Needed Weekly-\$16,862.00

Received Last Week-\$17,144.00

Total Received to Date-*\$500,423.00

*Includes Pre-Paid Pledges

Help Stock Open Table's Toiletry Shelf

Our Open Table guests frequently request basic toiletries, and our supplies are running low. You can help by donating:

- Travel-size shampoo
- Conditioner
- Lotion
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Feminine hygiene products

Summer travelers are especially encouraged to bring home unused hotel amenities! Donations may be placed on the shelf outside the church office or dropped off in the PAC.

Thank you for helping us love and care for our neighbors!

Open Table

We are asking for donations of **WATER BOTTLES**. Join our **Open Table volunteer communication** by using the QR code here.

Backpack Ministry

For July we are requesting **cheese/peanut butter crackers**.

Elementary Sunday School

Sundays 9-9:45am

Infants- Nursery Room E104

Preschool age- Nursery Room E105

K-5th Grade- Godly Play Room E309

Nursery is open to all **Babies-PreK kids**. Nursery is offered **Sundays, 9-11 AM in Room E105 (pre-school age) and Room E104 (infants)**.

Be sure to check out our website: www.cumcshelby.org

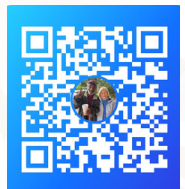
Our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/cumcshelby/

Our YouTube Channel:

CENTRAL YOUTUBE CHANNEL

And our App: Central UMC-Shelby on all app stores



Help Bring Our Beautiful Things Mural to Life!

Mural painting begins this Sunday, and there is still room to participate in all three color sessions:

- August 9 – Green Tones
- August 16 – Red Tones
- August 23 – Blue Tones



This will be a fun and immersive experience where everyone gets to leave their own mark on the mural. No painting experience is needed! All supplies will be provided, along with protective coverings for your clothing and shoes and gloves for your hands.

I'll be there with you each Sunday to offer guidance, answer questions, and help us work together to create something truly special. This mural will be a beautiful reminder of what can take shape when our church family comes together with a shared intention.

All you need to bring is an open heart and a willingness to participate!

Scan the QR code or [sign up online here](#).



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CENTRAL UMC STUDENTS Weekly Update

Sunday School - 9am Pioneer Coffee Shop

Sunday Afternoon Youth Group -

After church please bring **money for lunch at Jammin J's with Aldersgate and \$7 to swim after at the Ruby Hunt YMCA** afterwards as well as a change of clothes. Open swim should be free if you have a Y membership. **Children and youth are invited, but a parent needs to accompany any children.**

"Blessing of the Backpacks"

Sunday, August 16, 10:00am Worship

School children, teachers, and school staff are invited to bring their bookbags, briefcases and their selves for a special "Blessing of the Backpacks" for the new school year during 10:00am worship.



Kids Place Preschool is preparing for another wonderful school year! You can support this special ministry by purchasing classroom supplies from our **Amazon Wish List** or contributing toward **scholarships for two families in need**. Every gift—large or small—helps create a welcoming place where **children can learn, grow, and experience God's love**. Scan the QR code or link to visit the wishlist!



Wish List Information: <https://a.co/08QSTjOe>



9th - Katie Bowers

10th - Sonya Dellinger

10th - Morgan Cox

11th - Kristina Rucker (Tina)

15th - Timothy Rucker (Tim)

15th - Amy Lee

If you would like to volunteer to help with the event or prepare food, please let Caroline Scism know.