



Central Methodist

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Live and Love as Christ

August 2023

FAMILY

MOVIE night

WE WANT TO INVITE ALL FAMILIES TO JOIN US FOR A BACK-TO-SCHOOL CELEBRATION WITH A FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT IN THE CAC ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 AT 5:00 PM!



TO SIGN UP CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 704-739-2471 BY AUGUST 23, 2023.
DETAILS ON THE MOVIE WE WILL BE WATCHING ARE TO COME!



Join us for
Movie Ministry Night
Wednesday, August 16
at 6 pm

Don't forget to invite your friends and family! We will also be providing drinks and popcorn.

The movie details will be announced soon.

To ensure that we have enough for everyone, RSVP to the church office 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org by August 14th.

Join us for Worship on Sundays at 10:00am in person or online!



Scan to
RSVP

Family Fellowship Night

SAVE THE DATE!
SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

Save the date for our next **Family Fellowship Night on Wednesday, September 13** at 6:15pm. The program will be the Talent Show.

Please RSVP by September 11 to the church office
central@cmkm.org or
704-739-2471.

If you would like to sign up as an act for the Talent Show please contact Penny Larson
pal_1255@yahoo.com
or 407-928-8579.

A Message from Pastor Perry Hines

Thank you Central for giving Carolyn and me such a wonderful reception. We already feel like a part of the family. Over the next few months, I will be reaching out to make contact with as many of you as possible. I would be pleased to visit you in your home, but please don't hesitate to let me know if a home call is not convenient at this time. We are planning to move into the parsonage as soon as Carolyn can transition to a job that is compatible with her commute. We covet your prayers. Our prayers are with you.

In Christian Love,
Pastor Perry and Carolyn

Please take note of the following updates:

- **Our website is now www.cmkm.org**
- Church office—central@cmkm.org
- Pastor Perry Hines—perry@cmkm.org
- Kayla Potter Fuller—kayla@cmkm.org
- Justin Harper —justin@cmkm.org

Central Mission Day: Back to School Supplies Collection and Pick Up

We have an exciting outreach opportunity coming up! We will be partnering with our Warming Hearts Ministry to have a **Central Mission Day: Back to School Supplies Pick Up Drive on Friday, August 11th from 6-7:30 pm**. This is a church-wide outreach initiative and we need your help! We will need volunteers to help out during the event as well as people to help us set up at 5:00 pm.

We also are taking donations from church members at the time. **Please see the donation list on page 3**. Donations can be dropped off outside of Kayla's office in the "donations" box.

The event will look like this: we will have tables set up in the CAC where we lay out school supplies, classroom supplies, and basic hygiene products. We will be inviting our local school community to come in and take what they need. We would love to have volunteers like you there to help ensure that the event runs smoothly as well as to help love on and connect with the community that comes in.

If you're interested in volunteering, please reach out to Kayla at kayla@cmkm.org or call 704-739-2471 if you have any questions.

A Thank You Note

Dear Central Methodist Church,
Thank you greatly for the Target gift card! I'll most definitely use it in the future for college. Central church is and has been so impactful in such a positive uplifting way. My faith has grown exponentially and I'm excited to see where it takes me.
All the love,
Eli Osborne

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Pastor, Perry Hines
Administrative Assistant, Candy Love
Youth & Children's Director, Kayla Potter Fuller
Handbell/Drama Director,
Teresa Williams
Music Minister, Justin Harper
Organist, Doug Parker

Central Mission Day: Back to School Pick Up Drive Donations List

Student school supplies:

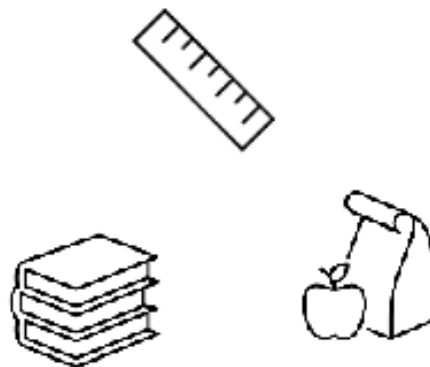
- New bookbags
- Packs of wide-ruled loose leaf notebook paper
- Graph paper
- #2 Pencils
- Black/blue ink pens
- Mechanical pencils
- Pocket folders (no prongs, no decorated covers)
- 1-1.5 inch 3 -ring binders
- Tab dividers
- Spiral 1-subject notebooks
- Spiral 3-subject notebooks
- Composition books
- Glue sticks
- Erasers
- Pencil pouch
- Individual pencil sharpeners
- New crayon packs
- Colored pencil packs
- Marker packs
- Kids blunt tipped scissors
- Index cards

Teacher basic classroom items:

- Box of tissues
- Hand sanitizer pump bottles
- Clorox or packs of Lysol wipes
- Dry erase markers
- Ziploc bags (gallon and quart)
- Sticky note pads
- Pens and pencils
- Highlighters

Hygiene items:

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Bars of soap
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body lotion
- Shaving gel
- Deodorant
- Razors
- Lip balm
- Hair ties
- Hand sanitizer
- Tissues
- Feminine hygiene products



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Items needed before August 11, 2023***

Central Youth Group

We welcome all youth from 6th-12th grade to come join us! We provide a time of gathering for youth to support one another, to have fun, to develop service projects, and to grow deeper in Christ. Any questions, please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

YOUTH NIGHT August 6

5:30pm - 7:30pm

LOCATION: At the Church

The youth will be meeting per normal.

YOUTH NIGHT August 13

SUMMER FUN DAY - PADDLE BOARDS, KAYAKS, AND DINNER!

5:30pm - 7:30pm

LOCATION: TBA and more details to come!

YOUTH NIGHT August 20

5:30pm - 7:30pm

LOCATION: At the Church

The youth will be meeting per normal

BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT August 27

5:00pm

LOCATION: At the Church

This will take the place of youth night. Youth are invited to this event and are encouraged to come help set-up beforehand.



Sunday Morning

Kids Central & Nursery Programs

9:45am - 11:00am

In August here are some things we will be learning:

In our **Kids Central classroom**, some things that we will be learning over the next few weeks are how the Holy Spirit is our helper and that we were made to be creative! A Bible story that we will be reading is Acts 8!

In our **nursery classroom**, some things that we will be learning over the next few weeks are how to obey God and the importance of reading our Bibles! A scripture we will be reading is John 15:14!

Drop off for our Kids Central and Nursery Programs begins at 9:45 am Sunday mornings. We want to thank each of you for your continued prayers and support of this ministry! We are so excited about the word getting out that KIDS Central (grades K-5) is the place to be on Sunday mornings from 9:45 am—11:00 am.

Our **Nursery** will be available during our 10 am worship service for ages 0-4 years old. We are in need of volunteers in the nursery to help support this ministry.

Any questions, please see or contact Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

Small Group News

We are in need of small group leaders! As you know, small groups are an important part of our church's ministry. They provide a place for people to connect with each other, grow in their faith, and learn more about God's Word. Second, we can offer a variety of training and resources to help you get started. We will provide you with a curriculum and ongoing support. Leading a small group is a rewarding experience. It is a great way to make a difference in the lives of others and to grow in your own faith. If you are interested in leading a small group in the near future please email Kayla Potter Fuller at kayla@cmkm.org.



Together We CAN End Hunger

July 2023 Community Kitchen Report

This month we distributed food and goods to **129 households** with a grand total of **324 people** served. **10,350** pounds of food/other were donated to the Community Kitchen

Statistics of age groups who visited:

0-18= ;80 19-64=**183** 65+ = **61**

The Community Kitchen is open on Thursdays from 3:00-4:30pm and is partnered with Second Harvest Food Bank.

Volunteers are always welcomed!

For more information, please contact the church office.

Central Out and About

Todd and Dennis running the Sound and Live Stream on Sunday Mornings



'Big Mac' McDaniel and Pastor Perry Hines checking out the new church signage



Members of our Central Youth playing a fun drawing game during Youth Night



Youth members hanging out in the summer



A History Minute

Our church was organized in 1874 as Central Methodist Episcopal Church, South. That must have been quite a busy time in our community since 1874 was also the year the city of Kings Mountain was organized and chartered. The years since that time have also been busy for our church, with many families making up the membership of this congregation. Families involved in Sunday School, church mission projects, marriages, births, and funeral services for our loved ones. Through the years, records of all of these events have been kept, in handwritten accounts, on the pages of numerous registers.

In our History Room there are registers dating back to the earliest days of our church. Those record keepers certainly deserve our respect and thanks for a job well done. For over 20 years now, our church has been using a membership software program, Church Windows, to keep these important records of the people of our church. Even though not handwritten, keeping up with the membership records of our church is a huge responsibility and one that our secretary, Candy Love, handles so capably.

When you have a moment to look, the History Display Case across from the Quilt in the Education Building hallway has a display of some of the registers and record books with the records of the members of Central Methodist Church through the years.

Pen Paper and Prayer by audrey



Have you read the Book of James recently? This past July, our Youth did. We left on Friday and returned Sunday. We played, prayed, and studied James. We worshiped on Sunday together by singing and studying the last chapter of James. When we worshiped, I felt the space between heaven and earth thinned as we glorified God. It was a beautiful and precious moment to be a part of. I was honored as we walked through James together to learn and hear what God laid on the hearts and minds of Our Youth.

Here are a few of my notes that came out of the mouths of the youth that I wrote down: "Walking out the Word" (James 1:19-27) - "walk the talk" and this paraphrase...."God wants to get into your life and challenge how you live so you can live how God intended!" Thank you, Heavenly Father, for being with us this weekend.

So gather your people and read the book of James!

Audrey captures a memorable moment during the July 2023 Youth Retreat in Pigeon Forge.