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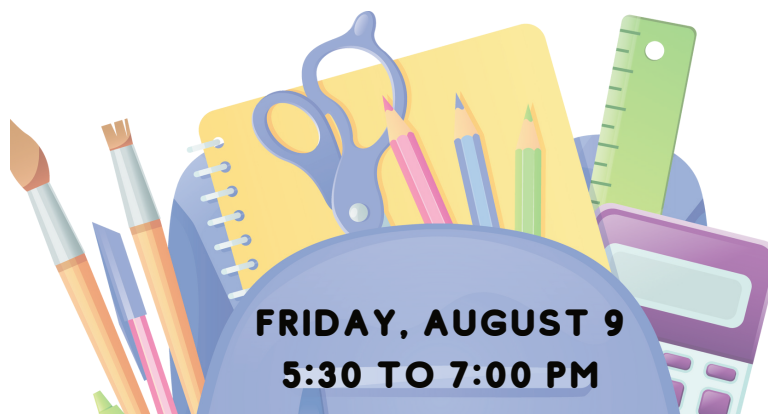
Live and Love as Christ

August 2024

CENTRAL MISSION DAY SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

School Supply List

- Book bags
- Spiral notebooks - 1 subject
- Spiral notebooks - 3 subject
- Loose leaf paper
- Composition notebooks
- Pencils - #2
- Pencils - mechanical
- Crayons
- Colored pencils
- Ball point pens
- highlighters
- Blunt tip scissors
- Expo dry erase markers
- Glue sticks
- 2 pocket folders - plain, no design
- Binders
- Subject dividers
- Pink erasers
- Pencil case
- Kleenex
- Disinfecting wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Rulers
- Index cards
- Hygiene Items



**FRIDAY, AUGUST 9
5:30 TO 7:00 PM**

We are hosting a Missions Day School Supply Pick Up at our church on Friday, August 9th, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm in the CAC, which is open to students in the community. The Mission Team, along with our youth, will be lending a hand. Church volunteers are encouraged to join in.

Donations of school supplies for this event are greatly appreciated. Please drop off your contributions in the bin located in the CAC Hallway near Kayla's office.

Thank you for supporting this wonderful mission to help children and educators in our community!

SANCTUARY RENOVATION NEWS

We are thrilled to announce that renovations will begin on the sanctuary very soon. On Sunday, August 4th, we will begin meeting in the CAC for our 10:00 am worship service (We will resume communion in September). The projected completion date is Christmas 2024.



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

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the generosity of the Ben Beam Scholarship as well as the surprise of the Sonny Peeler Crescendo Award. I have realized how lucky and blessed I have been for the opportunities to learn, grow, share, and love with a marvelous Christ-centered group of people that I call family. Thank you so much for making me the person I am today.

Blessings,
Melissa Brooks

Dear Central,
Thank you church family for the meal. Thank you for all of your loving support during this difficult time of loss. There are no words to describe our gratitude for your heartfelt sympathies.

Love The Family of Donna Gann

UPCOMING MEETINGS

8/5/24 Trustees Meeting, 6:00 pm

8/12/24 Finance Committee

Meeting, 6:00 pm

8/12/24 Administrative Council

Meeting, 7:00 pm

8/19/24 Methodist Men, 7:00 pm

8/28/24 Mary's Breakfast Bunch,

9:00 am (Linwood Restaurant)



Fifth Sunday Breakfast

9/29/24 8:45 am

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Handbell/Drama Director, Teresa Williams

Music Minister, Justin Harper, justin@cmkm.org

Organist, Doug Parker

Family Fellowship
night

Wednesday,

August 14th

6:15pm

in the CAC

Please scan
the QR code
to **RSVP** by
August 12.



RSVP to the church office at

central@cmkm.org

or 704-739-2471 by August 12, 2024.

 **Mission
TRIP NEWS**

Because of a worldwide IT outage leading to numerous cancelled and delayed flights, the Panama Mission Trip Team could not reach their intended destination. The current solution is to reschedule the trip for next year. All youth funds raised for this trip will be saved and put toward our rescheduled trip.



CALENDAR

- 8/4** Youth Summer Olympics! 5:30 pm-7:30 pm
- 8/9** Mission Day: Back to School Supplies Drive, 5:30pm
- 8/11** End of Summer Youth Movie Night, 5:30 pm
- 8/18** Youth Night, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm
- 8/25** Casual Youth Night, 6:00-7:30 pm
(No food, please bring a snack to share!)

OPEN GYM NIGHT AT CENTRAL

TWEENS
TEENS
ADULTS

15TH AUGUST
5:30PM - 7PM
FREE FOR ALL

SNACKS, BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL, PICKLEBALL, GAMES

KIDS CENTRAL

**Come join us on
Sunday Mornings
9:00am - 11:00am**

The Nursery Program: Ages 0-4 years old

Kids Central Program: Ages K-5th

**Some things we will be
learning this month:**

In our **Kids Central classroom**, something that we will be learning about is the importance of sharing God's love with those around you! A scripture we will be reading is 1 John 4:8.

In our **nursery classroom**, something that we will be learning in the next few weeks is how to have gentleness! A Bible story that we will be reading is Matthew 19:13-14.

Check-in for our KIDS Central and Nursery programs begins at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings with the exception of our Fifth Sundays when we have a Fifth Sunday Breakfast. On these Sundays check-in begins at 9:45 am.

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.

HISTORY MINUTE BY LIBBY PUTNAM

Recently our membership voted to update both the operating systems and physical appearance of our aging church. One thing that will not change are the Christian symbols found in our sanctuary. With changes coming our way, perhaps this is a good time to review the meaning of the symbols in our sanctuary. This History Minute and those in the months to come will highlight that special symbolism.

At the front of the sanctuary, near the Paschal or Christ Candle, is the Baptismal Font. The Baptismal Font is a reminder of God's adoption of believers into His family and a sign of His covenant with His people. The font is placed on an octagonal base because eight is the number of regeneration and new life. At the front of the sanctuary is the Altar. Originally, an Altar was a special place made of stone where people made sacrifices. The marble top of our Altar is symbolic of those stone altars. Three steps, symbolizing faith, hope, and love lead up to the platform on which the Altar is placed.

As we begin to make changes to the appearance of our sanctuary, let us remember that the beauty of our surroundings will always be secondary to the symbolism within our sanctuary and the fellowship of the people of our church as we worship the Father will always be utmost.

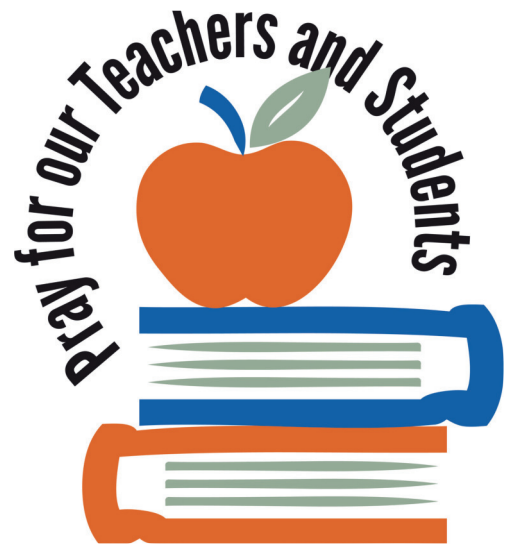
JULY COMMUNITY KITCHEN REPORT



In July 2024 we distributed food and goods to approximately **261 families with a total of 432 family members served.**

Over **9000 pounds** of food/personal hygiene items were donated to the Community Kitchen.

The Community Kitchen is open on **Thursdays from 3:00-4:30pm** and is partnered with Second Harvest Food Bank. Volunteers are always welcome and we thank you for your support!



BACK TO SCHOOL

The first day of school will be Wednesday, August 14 for Cleveland County students.

SUNDAY MORNING GROUPS

Sunday Morning Group

Leader: Mark Dixon

Time and location: 8:30 am Asbury Room, Sunday mornings

Age: All ages

Sunday Small Group

Leaders: Clyde Kerns & Carolyn Hindel,

Time & Location: 8:45 am Upstairs in the Central Fellowship Room

Leader: contact info: clydekerns@att.net or carolynhindel@yahoo.com



WEEKLY GROUPS

Men's Bible Study

Leader: Tim Miller

Time and location: Weekly on Tuesdays, 7:30 pm in the Asbury room

Leader: contact info: tmnkm@bellsouth.net or 704-473-9148

Description: We are an ongoing small group for men of all ages. Dedicated to studying God's word as it is shared to us in the Bible. We meet for fellowship and worship in a safe and non-judgmental environment. We recognize and appreciate that not everyone is at the same level in their Biblical study, and we work together to make God's word understood and relevant for each of us in our lives

Mary's Breakfast Brunch

Leader: Betty Masters

Time and location: Meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month at 9:00 am. Location is Linwood Restaurant: 805 Cleveland Ave, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Leader contact info: 704-739-2653

Prayer Group Partners

Leader: Kayla Potter Fuller

Meetings will resume on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, with more details to come. You are invited to join us as we learn about the practice of prayer, pray for each other, and take prayer requests. We meet in the small conference room across from the church office.

Leader contact info: 704-739-2471 or kayla@cmkm.org

New Women's Bible Study Short-Term Session Coming September 2024

We will be studying *No Other Gods, Confronting our Modern Day Idols*, by Kelly Minter. We will have a DVD presentation with each meeting and will take time to review the highlights of our homework. The study deals with the various idols we can find ourselves worshipping other than the one True God. This is not an expository study but a topical one. If you'd like to participate in September 2024, please order your book. There is only a study guide.

Leader contact: Liz Pflieger liz@hrengagement.com

PRAISE, PRAYER, AND PAPER

Hello Faith Family,

The mission of the Global Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

With this in mind, the 2024 Convening General Conference of the Global Methodist Church will be held from September 20 to 26, 2024. The theme is "So The World Will Know." We, as disciples of Christ who Worship him passionately, want the "World to know" who Jesus is by how we love extravagantly, and therefore, we must witness boldly.

The Global Methodist Church states:

"Supported by fervent prayers, faithful discernment, and a sure hope for the future, the Global Methodist Church is a Holy Spirit-inspired movement."

Therefore, As a Church, we should pray for our Global Methodist Community to be a Community committed to praying to God for His guidance during this time and as we go forward. Here is a link to the website for those interested in keeping up with the Convening conference. <https://www.sotheworldwillknow.org/>

The Global Methodist is asking for prayer. They have a 40-day guide and a 12-day guide. The 40-day guide starts August 7-September 15, and the 12-day guide is September 16-27. The 40-day guide precedes the conference, and the 12-day guide is specifically the time during the convening conference.

The collection of prayers is from our brothers and sisters around the world united in Christ to lift up this convening conference, keeping our focus on our Savior.

This quote is from the Global Methodist Convening Conference website:

The Prayer Committee of the Transitional Commission on Convening General Conference (TCCGC) is excited to invite you to participate in a special season of prayer and fasting in preparation for our upcoming historic Convening General Conference. This intentional period of dedicated prayer and fasting is designed to empower the Lord's work through the Global Methodist Church, as we unite around the theme of the Convening General Conference: "So the World Will Know." This initiative offers an excellent opportunity for us to demonstrate our collective dependence on the Lord's empowerment to fuel our movement.

Please Join me in praying. If you would like a copy of the prayers, call the church office or see me, and we will be glad to get you copies. As always, keep God and His Words first and seek His face

Always.

Abiding in Christ, audrey

