



# Central Methodist

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Live and Love as Christ

September 2025

*Central Methodist Church's Annual*

# FALL FESTIVAL

*Free Hot Dogs, Bounce Houses, & Family Fun!*

**Saturday, October 18, 2025**  
4:30-6:30 pm

## 10 Cars Needed!

There will be bounce houses, free hot dogs, Trunk or Treat, and more! We need 10 cars for Trunk or Treat. We're aiming for 10 decorated cars —want to help? Call Stephanie Wilson at 704-466-0187 to claim a spot.



We are now collecting wrapped candy for the Fall Festival. Please bring your donations to the collection area by the stairs in the CAC Hallway.

## FAMILY FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Save the date for our next Family Fellowship Night on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 6:15 pm. The meal will be prepared by Keith Falls. RSVP to 704-739-2471 or [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org) by Monday, September 8, 2025 to make sure we have enough food for everyone.

## MISSIONS DAY SUNDAY

We are currently organizing a Mission Day on Sunday, October 19, 2025. On that day, representatives from our partner organizations will be at the church to discuss their ministries.

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

## THANK YOU LETTERS

Dear Central Church Family:

Thank you for all the cards, texts, calls, visits, deli tray, and food. Most importantly, thank you for the prayers. We know for a fact God heard your prayers and we have felt loved and supported by our church family as we navigated the journey that Dad (Ned B. Owens) made from here to Heaven.

**Love, Brian, Audrey, Kalin, and Melissa Brooks**

Dear Central Methodist Church,

Thank you so much for the school supplies you donated for our students at KMIS! We appreciate your thoughtfulness! They will certainly be used!

Sincerely,

**KMIS Teachers and Staff**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

9/10/25 Family Fellowship Night, 6:15 pm

9/15/25 Methodist Men's Meeting, 7 pm

9/24/25 Mary's Breakfast Bunch, 9 am

Meets at Linwood Restaurant

**Central Methodist Church**  
**113 S. Piedmont Ave.,**  
**Kings Mountain, NC 28086**

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**Music Minister**, Justin Harper,  
[justin@cmkm.org](mailto:justin@cmkm.org)

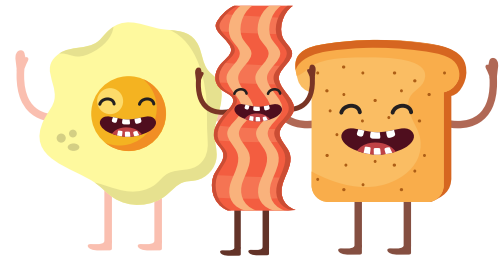
**Organist**, Doug Parker



## METHODIST MEN ANNUAL SOUP SALE

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 8, 2025 for our Annual Methodist Men's Soup Sale pickup, taking place from 11 am to 2 pm. Be sure to speak with a member to purchase your tickets!



## FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Our next Fifth Sunday Breakfast will be on November 30, 2025. Please bring a dish to share with your church family.



## COMMUNITY KITCHEN REPORT

In **August 2025**, we served **508** families (over **2,050** individuals). More than **9,130** pounds of food and hygiene items were distributed through the Community Kitchen, thanks to your generosity.

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

Volunteers are always welcome, and we appreciate your support.

come join us!

# youth

## CALENDAR

**9/7** Youth Night, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

**9/14** Youth Night, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

**9/21** Youth Night, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

**9/28** Youth Night, 5:30-7:30 pm

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.

Our youth group is learning how to follow God's voice through obstacles to get to Christ over the devil.



# KIDS

## CENTRAL

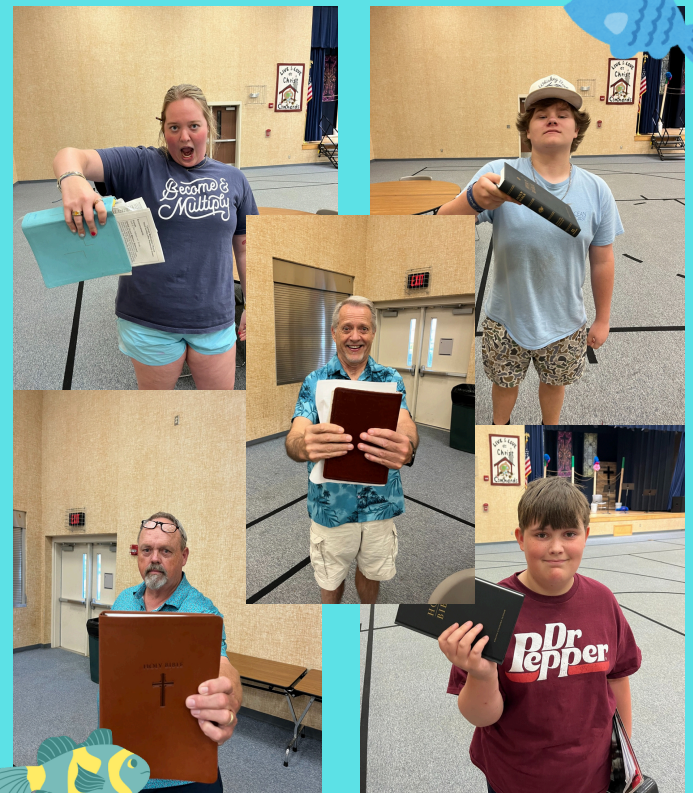
Come join us on  
Sunday Mornings  
10:00 am

The Children (toddlers through 5th grade) begin their Sundays in our 10 am service, sitting with Kids Central leaders before moving to their classrooms after praise and worship. Parents can choose to have their children sit with them until it's time to leave for class.

### Parents Meeting

There will be a Parents Meeting on Sunday, **September 14, 2025**, following worship service in the CAC. We will be discussing upcoming Kids Central events and the Parents' Bible Study.

## Hold your Bible like a fish



Central Youth 2025

## SAMARITAN'S PURSE ALERT: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD IS HERE

National Collection Week is **November 17-24, 2025**, for physical boxes. We also have the option to make a box online. The online goal is 75 boxes! Each box costs \$30. As always, remember we are sharing the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and advancing His Kingdom. Amen!

*Here is a list starting in 2021, where our shoeboxes have gone:*

**UKRAINE**  
SHIPPED ON: FRI JUN 07 2024

**BENIN**  
SHIPPED ON: MON APR 29 2024

**THE PACIFIC ISLANDS**  
SHIPPED ON: TUE MAR 26 2024

**MALAWI**  
SHIPPED ON: THU MAR 21 2024

**MADAGASCAR**  
SHIPPED ON: MON DEC 18 2023

**URUGUAY**  
SHIPPED ON: MON DEC 18 2023

**A HARD TO REACH AREA**  
SHIPPED ON: WED NOV 08 2023

**A HARD-TO-REACH AREA**  
SHIPPED ON: MON DEC 05 2022

**MADAGASCAR**  
SHIPPED ON: TUE NOV 29 2022

**NIGERIA**  
SHIPPED ON: SAT DEC 04 2021

**THE PHILIPPINES**  
SHIPPED ON: SAT DEC 04 2021

**PARAGUAY**  
SHIPPED ON: FRI DEC 03 2021

**GUATEMALA**  
SHIPPED ON: MON DEC 09 2024

**ECUADOR**  
SHIPPED ON: SAT DEC 07 2024

**PERU**  
SHIPPED ON: FRI DEC 06 2024

**A HARD-TO-REACH AREA**  
SHIPPED ON: MON OCT 14 2024



Scan the  
QR Code to  
Build a Shoebox  
Online



## SUNDAY MORNING GROUPS

### Sunday Morning Group

Leader: Mark Dixon  
Time and location: 8:30 am  
CAC, Sunday mornings  
Age: All ages

### Sunday Small Group

Leaders: Clyde Kerns  
Time & Location: Will meet with the Sunday Morning Group at 8:30 am in CAC to watch *The Chosen*  
Leaders' 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 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.

### Dwell Walkers

Meetings will be on Tuesdays, at 11:30 am. 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.

### Mary's Breakfast Brunch

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 BELOW WILL BE PRAYED DURING THE FALL SEASON FOR THE CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH COMMUNITY BASED ON PROVERBS 2:

LORD, May our Central Church family accept your words and store them up! May we listen closely to you and your wisdom for as we listen you will direct our hearts to understanding. If Lord we call out to insight and lift our voice to understanding, if we seek it and search for it like silver and hidden treasure-Then Central Church family will understand the fear of the LORD and discover the knowledge of God. For you our LORD gives wisdom and from your mouth comes knowledge and understanding!

Guide us Holy Spirit as we lift up your words on our lips and pray on behalf of Central's people! We come with a grateful Hearts before you: in Christ's Holy name, Amen!



# COMMUNITY KITCHEN

CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH  
113 South Piedmont Ave.  
Kings Mountain, NC 28086

**OPEN EVERY THURSDAY FROM 3:00 PM-4:30 PM**  
**VOLUNTEER HOURS: 11:00 AM-4:30 PM**

In partnership with:



Together We CAN End Hunger

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help us prepare and serve groceries, organize food, and support our community

**HAVE QUESTIONS?**  
**Call us at 704-739-2471**

**All are welcome!**  
**Come be part of something meaningful.**

## CELEBRATING THE GIFT OF BAPTISM



On Sunday, August 3, 2025, our congregation joyfully celebrated the baptism of five children. Please continue to lift these children and their families in prayer, that they may grow strong in their faith and in the knowledge that they are beloved children of God.

### 151<sup>ST</sup> CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Plans are in motion to commemorate Central's 151st church anniversary on Sunday, November 16, 2025. Keep an eye out for more details!



### OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

The Global Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe. Our vision is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.