



# Central Methodist

Kings Mountain, NC

Vol. 26, Issue 3

March 2026

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Family Fellowship Night
- A History Minute
- KIDS Central News
- Youth Updates
- Easter Lily Order Form

## HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE

- **Palm Sunday**  
March 29, 2026, 10:00 am
- **Maundy Thursday**  
April 2, 2026, 7:00 pm
- **Easter Cantata & Service**  
Sunday, April 5, 10:00 am

*Don't forget to bring flowers to decorate the outdoor cross on Easter morning.*



**A Journey  
with Jesus**  
An Interactive Easter Experience

SCAN ME

**March 29, 2026 | 2:30-4:30 PM**

Experience the final days of Jesus' life through engaging, hands-on stations that bring the Easter story to life!

**Please RSVP by March 25**

Central Methodist Church  
113 South Piedmont Ave.  
Kings Mountain NC 28086

For children & grandchildren of church members  
— invite a friend!

**Come Worship With Us at Central**

Sundays at 10:00am | Kings Mountain, NC



We are seeking volunteers to assist with our **Audio/Visual** needs during Sunday morning services.

**Roles Needed:** Livestream/Camera Operator, and Light setup tech.

**Commitment:** One or two Sundays a month. Interested in helping, contact the church office at [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org)!

**Central Methodist Church**  
 113 S. Piedmont Ave.,  
 Kings Mountain, NC 28086  
[www.cmkm.org](http://www.cmkm.org) 704-739-2471

**Staff: Pastor,** Perry Hines, [perry@cmkm.org](mailto:perry@cmkm.org)

**Administrative Assistant,** Candy Love,  
[central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org)

**Director of Youth & Youth Adult Ministries,**  
 Kalin Brooks, [Kalin@cmkm.org](mailto:Kalin@cmkm.org)

**Director of Infant and Children's Ministries,**  
 Stephanie Wilson, [Stephanie@cmkm.org](mailto:Stephanie@cmkm.org)

**Handbell/Drama Director,** Teresa Williams

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

**Organist,** Doug Parker

#### 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.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**3/1/26** Parents Bible Study, 11:30 am

**3/2/26** Trustees Meeting, 6:00 pm

**3/9/26** Finance Meeting, 6:00 pm

**3/9/26** Administrative Council, 7:00 pm

**3/10/26** Endowment Meeting, 6:30 pm

**Altar flower dates** for 2026 are now available. If you'd like to reserve a date in honor or memory of someone special, please contact Candy in the church office at [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org) or 704-739-2471.

**Volunteers Needed** For 2026, we are prayerfully building our hospitality teams. We need ushers and greeters to help welcome everyone who walks through our doors. If you're willing to serve — even occasionally — please contact the church office at 704-739-2471 or [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org) to sign up or ask questions.



Together We CAN End Hunger

## COMMUNITY KITCHEN NEWS

In **February 2026**, we served **459** families (over 1,200 individuals). More than 10,268 pounds of food and hygiene items were distributed through the Community Kitchen, thanks to your generosity. The number of families served was a little lower this month because Christmas fell on a Thursday, and distribution took place on the Friday after Christmas.

We are now collecting egg cartons for the Community Kitchen. Please drop them off in the donation bin.

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.

# YOUTH NEWS



## March 1: Youth Night

Meal: Pizza Night

## March 8: Youth Night

Meal: Jane Mauney

## March 15: Youth Night

Meal: Brian Brooks

## March 22: Youth Night

Meal: Dining Out

## March 29: No Youth Meeting

Attending KIDS Central Easter Event

## April 5: No Youth Meeting

Happy Easter!

**Save the Date for  
DNow at First Baptist  
April 17 & 18**

*We welcome all youth from 6th-12th grade to join us on Sunday Nights from 5:30-7:30 pm.*

## YOUNG ADULTS

*If you are interested in joining our Young Adult Small Group, please get in touch with Kalin Brooks.*

For any questions, please contact Kalin Brooks, Director of Youth & Youth Adult Ministries, at [kalin@cmkm.org](mailto:kalin@cmkm.org).

# KIDS CENTRAL NEWS

**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. Any questions, please contact Stephanie Wilson, Director of Infant and Children Ministries at [stephanie@cmkm.org](mailto:stephanie@cmkm.org).



*KIDS Central children practicing music with Justin Harper*



*KIDS Central children are enjoying special Valentine treats!*

## SUNDAY MORNING GROUPS

### Sunday Morning Group

Leader: Mark Dixon

Time and location: 8:30 am

Asbury Room, Sunday mornings

Age: All ages

## 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 with 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 11:00 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.

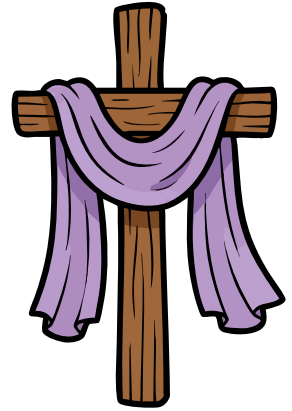
### New Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays, from 6:30–8:30 p.m. We will be studying the book of Colossians. Colossians is a rich and meaningful epistle that guides us in daily living, reminds us of who we are as believers, and points us clearly to who Jesus is. No materials are required—just bring a Bible and a notebook if you'd like to take notes. Everyone is invited! If you have any questions, please call Liz Pflieger at 704-466-1202.

## WHAT IS THE SEASON OF LENT?

February 22–April 4, 2026

Lent is a 40-day, solemn season of preparation for Easter, running from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday (excluding Sundays). It is a time for reflection, repentance, prayer, fasting, and self-denial, symbolizing Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness. While there are no strict, uniform rules, people often engage in fasting, giving up luxuries (like social media or sweets), to give themselves to the pursuit of God through prayer, Bible study, and acts of Christian service.



## It's time to order your 2026 Easter Lilies!

Order a lily to be placed at the altar in honor of those special people in your life. Lilies can be taken home on Easter Sunday morning right after the Worship Service.

**One Family, One Lily per sheet!**

*Please print names*

**Given by:**

---

In Memory of:

---

—OR—

In Honor of:

---

Make your check out to Central Methodist Church.

**Cost: \$13.00 Each**

**\*\*Final Deadline for Orders\*\***

**Sunday, March 15, 2026**

*Thank you for helping decorate the altar with beautiful Easter lilies!*

# A HISTORY MINUTE

By Libby Putnam



While organizing some materials in the History Room, between the pages of some old bulletins was a copy of The Certificate of Church Membership which was given to new youth members of the church in the 1950s and 60s. In the certificate youth members are encouraged to view the Church like a family in which its members love and help each other like brothers and sisters. Our current Central Youth, under the capable and dedicated leadership of Kalin Brooks, are involved in activities that exemplify that goal. Each week the youth share their "highs" and "lows" of the week as they learn to be comfortable sharing their lives together as a family. To encourage their spiritual growth and Bible reading, each young person is reading a daily devotional by Tim Tebow. The youth group also attended a WinterJam concert where they learned that singing praises to Jesus is another form of worship. The slogan "More than Sunday" has been adopted by the youth to emphasize the fact that praying and reading the Bible is not for Sunday only. By taking time to talk to their friends and really get to know them, they can share the love of Jesus as they learn that evangelism doesn't have to be formal or scary.

The Membership Certificate ends with a prayer that is as relevant for our Central Youth today as for the youth of years ago:

***Dear Heavenly Father,  
Help me each day to become more Christlike in spirit and action. As I grow in stature, may I, like Jesus, grow also in wisdom, thus finding favour with God and man. And what I ask for myself, I ask for others as well.***

No doubt the activities of our youth today will become an important part of the history Central Methodist Church.

# Family Fellowship Night

Mark your calendars for our next Family Fellowship Night, happening on Wednesday, March 11, at 6:15 pm.

Enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Keith Falls, followed by a fun game of Bingo with exciting prizes!

Please remember to **RSVP to the church office by March 9** to ensure we have enough food for everyone.




---

Central  
Methodist

113 S. Piedmont Ave  
Kings Mountain, NC 28086

www.cmkm.org  
central@cmkm.org  
704-739-2471

