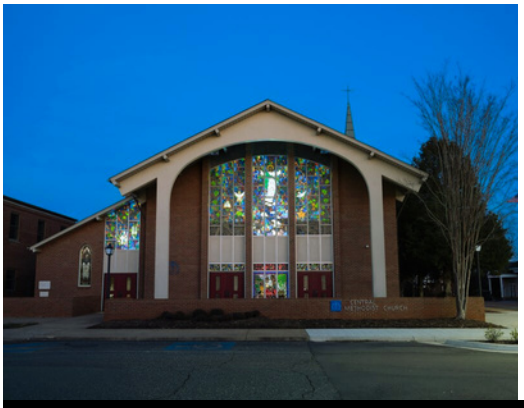


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Supply List

Book bags
Spiral notebooks - 1 subject
Spiral notebooks - 3 subject
Loose leaf paper
Composition notebooks
Pencils - #2
Pencils - mechanical
Crayons
Colored pencils
Ballpoint 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

CENTRAL MISSIONS DAY 2026
SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

We are hosting a **Missions Day School Supply Pickup** at our church on **Saturday, August 1**, **from 10:00 am until supplies last in the CAC**. The event is open to students and teachers 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.

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

Please contact Stephanie Wilson at
stephanie@cmkm.org
if you would like to volunteer!

We are collecting supplies now until July 27, 2026.



A THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Central Methodist Family,
Thank you so much for the Target gift card and card! I will definitely be using it for college. Thanks for your continued support over the years. I will miss my church family.
Love,
Ruby O ♡

UPCOMING EVENTS

No July Trustees Meeting
No Finance Meeting
No Administrative Council
7/8/26 Family Fellowship Night, 6:15 pm
7/12/26 Parents' Bible Study, 11:30 am
No Methodist Men
7/22/26 Mary's Breakfast Bunch, 9:00 am
No Handbell Practice until further notice

HELP US WELCOME OTHERS TO CENTRAL ON SUNDAYS

We are seeking volunteers for our hospitality teams as ushers and greeters. Even occasional service can greatly enhance the welcoming atmosphere. Contact the church office at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org to sign up or inquire further.

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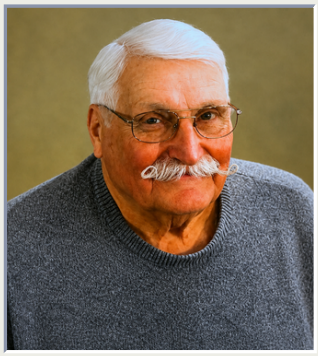
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Handbell/Drama Director, Teresa Williams
Music Minister, Justin Harper, justin@cmkm.org
Organist, Doug Parker

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.

SONNY PEELER CRESCENDO AWARDS






Pictured: Brian Brooks, Greg Dixon, Jake Dixon and Dru White

On Sunday, June 7, Central Methodist Church was honored to present the Sonny Peeler Crescendo Awards through the Central Methodist Church Endowment in recognition of individuals whose faithful service and dedication have made a lasting impact on our church family and community.

This year's recipients were Brian Brooks, Greg Dixon, Jake Dixon (posthumously), and Dru White. Through their commitment, leadership, generosity, and servant hearts, each has contributed in meaningful ways to the life and ministry of Central Methodist Church. Their names will be permanently recorded in the Book of Appreciation.

The Sonny Peeler Crescendo Award recognizes members for their outstanding service to our church, exemplified through three hallmarks of faithful service: Time, Talent, and Treasures. We are grateful for the example these recipients set and for the countless ways they have blessed our congregation.

Please join us in congratulating these recipients on this well-deserved recognition and in giving thanks to God for their faithful service.

YOUTH NEWS

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July 5: No Youth
July 12: Youth Meeting
July 19: Youth Meeting
July 26: Youth Meeting





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

YOUNG ADULTS

If you're 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.

KIDS CENTRAL



KIDS Central enjoying VBS in June 2026

Come join us on Sunday Mornings 10:00 AM

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 about KIDS Central, don't hesitate to get in touch with Stephanie Wilson, Director of Infant and Children's Ministries at stephanie@cmkm.org.

Parents' Bible Study will be on July 12 at 11:30 am in the Asbury Room.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026: A WONDERFUL SUCCESS!

Our 2026 Vacation Bible School was a success! Over the course of four exciting evenings, more than 27 children joined us for faith, fun, learning, and fellowship during VBS.

We are incredibly grateful to the many volunteers who made VBS possible. Thank you to everyone who prepared and served meals, led activity stations, assisted with crafts and games, and spent time encouraging and caring for our children. Your dedication and servant hearts helped create a meaningful experience for every child who attended.

Most importantly, we are thankful for the opportunity to share God's love and make a positive impact in the lives of these young people. We look forward to seeing the seeds planted during VBS continue to grow in the months and years ahead.

Thank you to everyone who helped make VBS 2026 such a blessing!









VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026





Photos by Caitlin Rochford

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
tmnkm@bellsouth.net or 704-473-9148
Time and location: Weekly on Tuesdays, 7:30 pm Asbury Room

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 11:30 am. You are invited to learn about 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 pm. 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.

QUARTERLY OUTDOOR RECREATION MINISTRY

Central Outdoors is a recreation ministry for those who love fresh air, adventure, and exploring God's creation together. We organize quarterly outings throughout the year. Central Outdoors brings outdoor enthusiasts of all backgrounds and ages together for activities that may include hiking, visiting historical sites, and other seasonal outdoor adventures. These outings are designed to build community in Christ, encourage healthy activity, and create meaningful connections while enjoying the beauty of the outdoors. *Contact the church office for upcoming dates & details at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org.*

KIDS CENTRAL RECREATION

Monthly Open Gym Night for Kids (Ages 6–12)
Looking for a fun, safe place for kids to connect and play?
Join us each month for an exciting night
full of energy, laughter, and friendship!
🏀 Games & Activities Include:
Kickball • Basketball • Pickleball
Chair Volleyball • Floor Hockey • Board Games
💛 More Than Just Fun: Each night includes a short devotion and prayer time woven into the evening.
🎉 Kids are encouraged to invite their friends!

COMMUNITY KITCHEN NEWS

In **June 2026**, we served **473** families. Over **16,946 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 partners with Second Harvest Food Bank.

We are still collecting breakfast items: grits, oatmeal, cereal, and breakfast bars. Please bring your donations to the CAC hallway to put in the collection bin.

Volunteers are always welcome, and we appreciate your support.

HISTORY MINUTE BY LIBBY PUTNAM

As the Birthday 250 for our country approaches, interest in our family history is high. Our church History Room may have just the bit of information you need. In 1989, Mrs. Dot Hayes became interested in organizing a History Room for our church. Since that time, church records and memorabilia from our church have been housed in several locations, but presently the History Room is on the second floor of the Educational Building to the left of the stairs and elevator. If you are interested in the history of our church, you may be interested in taking a look at the wealth of information in that room.

Some of the altar furnishings from the 1905 church can be found in the History Room as well as the church's first organ, well over 100 years old. The altar from the church's Chapel, originally on the second floor of the Educational Building, is there as well. There are pictures, photo albums, church directories, quarterly conference records, membership records, meeting minutes, and even building blueprints, which date to the move to the second church built in 1905. Some of these items can be found in the oak file cabinet salvaged from the 1905 church. Others can be found on the shelves lining one wall. All items are marked with identifying labels.

There are copies of the Book of Discipline dating from the late 1800s to today. Various editions of the Methodist Hymnal and many different editions of the Holy Bible can be found in the History Room as well. The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible, The Interpreter's Bible, Matthew Henry's Commentary, and Barclay's Daily Study Bible Series and other reference materials were transferred to the History Room from the old Library.

The History Room is open during church office hours and on Sundays for those interested.









Join Central Methodist Church for a FREE family-friendly day trip to beautiful Emerald Village in Spruce Pine, NC! We'll carpool from the church, enjoy the scenic drive along the Blue Ridge Parkway, explore Emerald Village, try our hand at gem mining, and gather together for a relaxing picnic lunch.

Date: Saturday, July 25, 2026

Departure: 9:00 AM sharp from Central Methodist Church

Please bring: A picnic lunch for yourself and your family (we'll picnic together) and a folding chair. This is a FREE event, but we ask that everyone register by calling the church office 704-739-2471 or by emailing central@cmkm.org to let us know how many people will be attending. We look forward to spending a fun day of fellowship, family, and adventure with you!



