

GOD MADE Pastors

God laid His hand upon them,
And breathed hope into their spirits.
He filled them with His strength,
and placed a message of urgency around their lives.
God challenged them to greater works
then He had ever done.
Then, with His own hand of blessing,
He wrapped them up in His mantle of love
and called them Pastors.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

SPPRC invites you for a "drop-in" on 10/29 during the Sunday School hour in the Hospitality Room. Come, let's celebrate our pastors!

REMEMBER TO FILL OUT YOUR CONNECT CARD AND PUT IN THE OFFERING PLATE!

Fall into Giving Food Drive for Loaves & Fishes of Union County

Grocery List of preferred Food Drive items:

16 oz. cans Pork & Beans
16 oz. cans Vegetables: peas, corn, green bean, carrots, etc.
16 oz. cans Tomatoes or other fruit
24 oz. cans Beef Stew
6 oz. cans Tuna
14 oz. cans Salmon
8 oz. package Pasta
12 oz. cans Soup
32 oz. jars Mayonnaise
18 oz. jars Peanut Butter
18 oz. jars Jelly
24 oz. Applesauce
16 oz. boxes Instant potatoes

16 oz. boxes Macaroni & cheese
36 oz. bags Instant grits
18 oz. box Oatmeal
2 lb. bags Sugar
2 lb. bags Flour
1 lb. bags Rice
1 lb. bags Dried beans
8.5 oz. boxes Corn muffin mix
1 lb. boxes Crackers
96 oz. boxes Dried milk
Rolls: toilet paper, paper towels, napkins
Bars: soap
Any: dog or cat foods

October Shareback

Central Presents:

Sunday, December 17, 2023

The True Gift

A Dramatic & Musical presentation telling the True Meaning of Christmas
Script written by Robert Hinson

Calling for Amateur Actors

We're looking for a few good actors and actresses for the presentation of "The True Gift" on Sunday, December 17th.

All ages are needed! Please call or text Erica at 704.290.4607 if you are willing to share your gifts!

CONNECT OPPORTUNITY

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Ministering with children during dinner church by leading crafts and other activities for the children. An activity will be set up for you each week. You can serve every week or just when you are available. Contact Erica 704.290.4607 to sign-up or if you have any questions.

DINNER CHURCH

Jesus said, "I was hungry and you gave me food."
(Matthew 25:35 NRSV)

Tuesday nights at 6 pm in the Family Life Center

Come join us by attending or volunteering as we CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY by sharing a meal and worship. To sign-up to serve, contact the church office by emailing skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org or by calling 704.289.3186.

Chalk it up2Love Central

Our Amazon Wish List link to purchase items is https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/KOEPQNX7ZFUU?ref=wl_share
You can put the above link in your search box or click the link on the main eblast page!

If you have any questions, contact Virginia Duncan at 704.231.8623/fduncan7119@gmail.com OR Linda Deese at 704.219.7199/linda.deese@gmail.com.

GET THE WORD OUT...

Have something you want promoted here in the newsletter?

Send details, a graphic and/or color ideas with your contact information to Shannon in the church office by email skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org or by phone 704.289.3186. Deadline for submission is Monday at 5:00 pm for the upcoming Sunday's newsletter.

KIDS Worship

Children's Time follow-up & review, scripture memorization, prayers and praises, God sightings, singing and dancing.

During both services!

Celebration Singers

Wednesday Nights

6-6:30 pm Children 4 years old – 5th Grade
6:30-7 pm Children 1st – 5th Grade
Bring your friends and come join us to Sing Praise!
Room 112 on the Children's Hall

Soul Food Bible Study

You are invited to join us for Soul Food Bible Study! We meet on Thursdays from 10:00-11:00 am in Hospitality Room. Currently we are examining the video series: *Twelve More Women of the Bible*.

OUR NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

is Sunday, November 5th

9:30 am – 1:30 pm

Give Blood. Give Life.

To sign-up or if you have questions contact Irene Ward 980.328.0520

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Prayer Requests

Unspoken | Donna Cranford | Janet Greene | Glenda Moon | Judy Sanders | Dennis & Elaine Lord
Majewski Family | John & Kim Cattie | Beverly Carnes | Carolyn Witmore (Robert's wife) | John & Melinda
Billi Starnes | Danny Starnes | Charles Magee | Marilyn Keesler (Shannon's mother-in-law) | Bill Phifer
Mike Taylor | Melony Cordero | Matthew Burnette Family | Neal Helms | Nancy Burnette
Jodie & Family | Mark & John Patrus | Victims of War/Disasters | Sam Hovis | Brady Laney Family
Carrie Ball (Linda Deese's niece) | Avery Deese (Linda Deese's grandniece) | Rich Majewski | Shan Reeder
Carol Reeder | Unspoken | Jonathan Mackay | Shirley Alexander | Betty Lathan
Tyler Moon (Elaine Davis's grandson) | Jimmy Mullis Family | Children of St. Jude & Shriner's Hospitals
(Prayer Request's stay on the above list for 2 weeks unless requested to be put on the "ongoing prayer requests")

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Emmett Russell | Dillon Brantley | Jonathan Mackay | Sandy Deskins | Nancy Snyder | Addie Laney
The Matson Family | Edie Anderson | Robin Baucom | Helen Scarpantoni (Ruth Wall's sister)
Cynthia Smith | Barbara Klutz (Elaine Hall's sister) | Barbara Pfau | Jim Gordon | Betty Harkness
Margaret Furr | Elaine Lambert | Andrew Lanier | Martha Rollins | Brian Outen | Kelli Whitaker
Mitchell Taylor (Carolyn Kindley's nephew) | Vanessa Deese & Family (Linda's daughter in law)
Ruth Mackay | Rosey Olsen | John Tice | Jean Semken | Dixon & Elaine Hall | Jimmie Hargett
Chris Wiggins | Joel Kurtz | Mary Jones | Meghan Broome | Maxine Wally | Kappy Giblin
Barbara Horack (Shelley Loberger's mother) | Eldoris Loberger (Dale's mother) | Jack Harper III
Bob Sullivan | Gareth Simpson | Ronnie Haigler | Darlene Childers (Doris Campbell's sister)
Our President | Our Governor | Our Military | Our Country
Bishop Ken Carter | District Superintendent Rev. Beth Crissman | Central Staff
Please call the Church Office at 704.289.3186 or email skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org
to add or remove prayer requests. If you have confidential prayer request, please email
llancaster@centralumcmonroe.org or smottram@centralumcmonroe.org.



The Chuck Wagon

Blessing Box

Most needed items:

Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken, Ham, Vienna Sausages, etc.)
Canned soups, Beanitos, Weenies or Chili
Canned pasta with meat (ravioli, spaghetti, etc.)
Peanut butter and alternatives (any type of nut butter)
Jelly (plastic jar)
Instant grit or oatmeal packets
Crackers/granola bars/protein bars
Individual serving size items
Single-serve dried fruit/trail mix/nuts



For questions or more information, please call
Cheri Barker 704.242.4851 or Jean Semken 704.301.0435

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& Family
Therapy

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Todd R. Matson, D. Min., LMFT 704.375.5354, ext. 407
www.mccsvs.org or 704.242.3694

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Your Stephen Minister will walk with you, listen to you as you search through the pieces of your heart. To connect with a Stephen Minister call or text Pastor Sigrid Mottram 980.240.2370 or you can email her smottram@centralumcmonroe.org.

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for YOU!



Christ caring for people through people
STEPHEN MINISTRY

Weekly Attendance

Week of 10/15/23-406

8:45 am Service-52
Sunday School-52
11:00 am Service-73
Online Service-111
Jr. Youth-9 | Youth-18
Hymns of the Spirit Concert-35
Dinner Church-50

October

Edie Anderson &
Elaine Davis

November

Carolyn & Ed Moore



Lay 10/22-Hannah Shupe
Reader 10/29-Eric Shupe



Ushers

8:45 am Contemporary Service

10/22-Raelynn Helms & Luna Martinez
10/29-Denise Rumley & Cheri Barker
11:00 am Traditional Service
10/22-Raelynn Helms, Luna Martinez,
Addie Baucom & Norah Shupe
10/29-Ken Neese & Jimmy Parker and
Sean Daly & Roy Wade

United Women in Faith

Lessie Anne Circle will meet next on Tuesday, November 7th at 10:00 am in the Library. Frances Hunley has the program. We will collect your donations for *World Thank Offering*. Contact Mary Engel with any questions at 704.226.1176.

Faith, Hope & Charity Circle will meet next on Monday, November 13th at 1:30 pm in the Hospitality Room. Call or text Nancy Gustafson for more information 704.733.8686.
New Beginnings Circle will meet next Monday, November 20th at 6:00 pm in the Hospitality Room. Contact Linda Deese for more information at 704.219.7199.

Grace & Mercy Circle please contact Donna Young at 704.226.5954 if you have any questions or need information.

Central Squares Men's Group

Central Squares Men's Group will meet again in November on Saturday the 4th & Saturday the 18th. We start cooking breakfast at 7:30 am with the devotion at 8:00 am. Come join us for breakfast, fellowship, and devotion. For any questions or for more information contact Eric Shupe at 803.370.3693 or Gabe Febus at 704.774.0342.

Men's Breakfast Group meets at The Derby Restaurant



Thursday mornings
8:00 am

Come join us for great food,
fellowship & a devotion!

Central's Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 10/22-Children's Sabbath



8:45 am Contemporary-Central Hall
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online
3:30 pm **CENTRAL YOUTH-FLC**
6:00 pm Youth Choir-Choir Room



MONDAY 10/23

ALL DAY Pastor Sigrid's Sabbath/Pastor Lanny on call
5:00 pm Newsletter/Bulletin Submission Deadline
6:30 pm Central Community Chorus-Choir Room

TUESDAY 10/24

9:30 am Worship Planning-Pastor Lanny's office
11:00 pm Staff Meeting
4:00 pm Knitting Girls-Library
4:00 pm Common Heart-Getting Ahead-Hospitality, Upstairs Kitchen, Pathfinders and 108 & 111

6:00 pm Dinner Church (Team 3)-FLC
6:30 pm Central Ringers-Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY 10/25

6:00 pm Celebration Singers-Room 112
6:00 pm InnerChange (vocals)-Choir Room
7:00 pm Chancel Choir-Choir Room



THURSDAY 10/26

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group-The Derby Restaurant
10:00 am Soul Food-Hospitality Room
12:00 pm Hospitality Room Reserved until 5:00 pm
4:00 pm Common Heart-Getting Ahead-Hospitality, Upstairs Kitchen, Pathfinders and 108 & 111
6:30 pm Administrative Council Meeting-Library
7:00 pm Union Big Book-Scout Hut



FRIDAY 10/27

ALL DAY Pastor Sigrid on call/Pastor Lanny's Sabbath
SATURDAY 10/28

9:00 am FLC Reserved until Noon

SUNDAY 10/29

8:00 am Hospitality Room Reserved until 1:00 pm
8:45 am Contemporary-Central Hall
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online
2:00 pm **CENTRAL YOUTH & Jr. Youth**
4:00 pm **Trunk or Treat-PreK Parking Lot**



**Submission
Deadline
Mondays at 5 pm**



If you are interested in learning more about Central? Are you interested in becoming a member? Please see one of the pastors or contact the church office by email or phone skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org 704.289.3186.



Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am to 5 pm
(closed for lunch from 1-2 pm daily)