



# Connect at Central

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July 23rd  
Newsletter

PLEASE FILL OUT THE CONNECT CARD  
TODAY AND PUT IN THE OFFERING PLATE



Could we call you to make a dish from our recipe? Then you can deliver it to the church Tuesday at 4-5:30 pm and stay to help serve if you wish.

Please join our Dinner Church ❤  
Teams as we serve the hungry!

Call Jean Semken (Team 1 Leader) 704.301.0435,  
Rena McGee-Helms (Team 2 Leader) 704.221.3106,  
or Grace Snelgrove (Team 3 Leader) 910.693.1019.

Clements Music Presents

A Festival  
Of Psalms

Join us  
Tomorrow  
Evening!



Monday, July 24, 2023

7:00pm | Pre-Music: 6:45

Central UMC Sanctuary  
801 S. Hayne St. | Monroe, NC | 28112

Weekday Children's Ministries  
NC PreK  
Prekinder de Carolina Del Norte  
704-289-5244

Do you have a 4-year-old who  
would like to attend FREE Pre-K?  
Please call Erica for more  
information 704-290-4607.

Applications can be picked up downstairs at WCM or printed  
at <https://theallianceforchildren.org/#APPLICATIONS>

Central Kids KIDS Worship  
It's Worship Just for Kids

During  
both  
services!

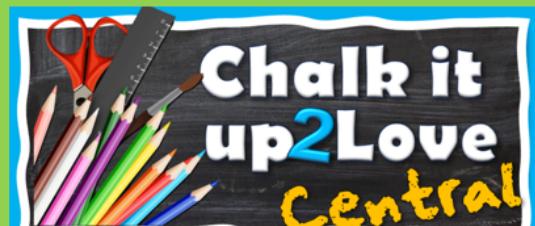
Toddlers and children through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to Kid's Worship following the Children's Message for a time of follow-up & review, scripture memorization, prayers & praises, God sightings, singing & dancing.



Something SWEET has arrived!  
Help us celebrate the birth of Sterling Douglas  
June 4, 2023, to Matthew & Sarah Hoglund.  
Grandparents Ed & Sandi Mills and  
great-grandmother Martha Rollins.

Join us for a Drop In Shower  
Central's Hospitality Room  
TODAY 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Registered on Amazon.com. Most needed: Pampers or Huggies diapers, size 1-2. Wipes. Target gift cards, a favorite story book or any boy items.



July  
Shareback

- Cow Print Notebooks (Wide & College)
- Notebook Paper (Wide & College)
- 1 Inch 3 Ring Binders
- 1 Subject Spiral Notebooks (Wide & College)
- 24 Count Crayons
- Colored Markers (Jumbo & Fine)
- Colored Pencils
- Dry Erase Markers (Black)
- Child Scissors (Blunt & Pointed Tip)
- 3 x 3 Post-It Notes
- Ear Buds/Headphones
- #2 Yellow Pencils
- Backpacks

Our Amazon Wish List link to purchase items  
is [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/KOEPQNX7ZFUU?ref\\_=wl\\_share](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!

The Shareback table is in the hall to  
the left of the choir room

If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Duncan at  
704.231.8623 or fduncan7119@gmail.com OR Linda Deese at  
704.219.7199 or linda.deese@gmail.com OR you can contact  
the church office at 704.289.3186.

The Chuck Wagon  
Blessing Box

#### Most needed items:

Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken, Ham, Vienna Sausages, etc.)  
Canned soups, Beanie 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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Weekday Children's Ministries  
is hiring for the 23/24 School Year!

We are in need of:  
Lead Teachers  
Assistant Teachers  
Floater/Translator  
Bus Driver

If you are interested in applying call/text Erica  
704-290-4607 or email [weekday@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:weekday@centralumcmonroe.org).

# Prayer Requests

Children's & Youth Ministries | Amy Paschal-Praise | Jennifer Flowe (Nikki Hargett's mother) | Ruth Wall | Lawson Holmes  
 Sammie Febus | Jess Febus | Kayla Stewart | Tom Shore (Linda Deese's brother) | Marianne King (Linda Deese's sister)  
 Lauren Allison Deese (Linda's daughter-in-law) | Tex Huffman | Ruth Perry | Jonda Buchanan | Sondie Morrison | Ben Morrison  
 Carolyn Witmore | David Cianelli & Regina (Beth Abbott's brother) | Robin Baucom | Dinner Church | Unspoken  
 For God to intervene & for me to use my faith | Bill Phifer | Mike Taylor | Melody Cordero | Mark Patrus | Jodie & Family  
 Emily & Family | Victims of War & Disasters | Children of Shriners & St. Jude's Hospitals || Linda & Bud-travel mercies  
 Larry Simpson | Sue Brown | Kenny-Praise | Family & Friends of Krista Stewart (Kayla Stewart's grandmother) | Charles Magee  
 (Prayer Request's stay on the above list for 2 weeks unless requested to be put on the "ongoing prayer requests")

## Ongoing Prayer Requests

Mitchell Taylor (Carolyn Kindley's nephew) | Betty Harkness | Margaret Furr | Vanessa Deese & Family (Linda's daughter in law)  
 Brian Outen | Jeanne Mackay | Kelli Whitaker | Gail Klein | Ruth Mackay | Helen Scarpantoni (Ruth Wall's sister) | Steve Engel  
 Betty Lathan | Jim Gordon | Linda Deese | Sandy Deskins | Paula Russell | Rosey Olsen | John Tice | Dixon & Elaine Hall  
 Barbara Pfau | Jimmie Hargett | Chris Wiggins | Maeson Sutton & Family | Martha Rollins | Elaine & Dennis Lord | Joel Kurtz  
 Mary Jones | Meghan Broome | Barbara Horack (Shelley Loberger's mother) | Eldoris Loberger (Dale's mother) | Doris Wheeler  
 Karen Dyer (Lisa Kania's sister-in-law) | Kappy Giblin | Jean Semken | Maxine Wally | Jack Harper III | Dillon Brantley | Jason Hill  
 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 UMC Staff  
 Please call the Church Office at 704.289.3186 or email [skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org) to add or remove prayer requests.  
 If you have confidential prayer request, please email [llancaster@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:llancaster@centralumcmonroe.org) or [smottram@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:smottram@centralumcmonroe.org).

## Attendance

### Week of 7/16/23-344

8:45 am Service-56  
 Sunday School-61  
 11:00 am Service-52  
 Online Service-110  
 Dinner Church-65

**Men's Breakfast Group**  
 meets at the  
**Derby Restaurant**  
 Thursday mornings  
 8:00 am  
 Come join us for great food,  
 fellowship & a devotion!

## Central Squares Men's Group

Central Squares Men's Group will meet in August on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. 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 803.370.3693 or Gabe Febus 704.774.0342.

## United Women in Faith

Circles will not meet during summer, they will start back in September. If you have any questions please contact your Circle Leader at their number below.

Lessie Anne Circle meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month (September-May) at 10:00 am in the Church Library. Contact Mary Engel for more information at 704.226.1176.

Faith, Hope & Charity Circle meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month (September-May) at 1:30 pm in the Hospitality Room. Contact Nancy Gustafson for more information at 704.733.8686.

New Beginnings Circle meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month (September-May) at 6:30 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.

## Lay Reader

7/23-Dale Loberger  
 7/30-Eric Shupe

## Alter Guild

July-Mary Engel  
 & Nancy Gustafson

## Sanctuary Flowers

Would you like to put flowers in the Sanctuary to honor or in memory of a loved one? Stop by the Crossroads and sign-up on the flower calendar.

## Ushers

### 8:45 am Contemporary Service

7/23-Cheri Barker & Denise Rumley  
 7/30-Denise Rumley & Amy Garrison  
 8/6-Amy Garrison & Cheri Barker  
 8/13-Cheri Barker & Denise Rumley  
**11:00 am Traditional Service**  
 7/23-John & Mary Ann Burns and  
 Robert & Linda Hinson  
 7/30-Hank & Millie Baucom and  
 James & Grace Clements  
 and David & Nathan Clements  
 8/6-Dale & Shelley Loberger and  
 David & Amy Paschal  
 8/13-John & Mary Ann Burns and  
 Davey & Dale Ann Plyler

## Sanctuary Counseling Group

Here at Central  
 Specializing in  
 Marriage  
 & Family  
 Therapy  
  
 Promoting the Healing of Heart, Mind, & Soul  
 Todd R. Matson, D. Min., LMFT  
 704.375.5354, ext. 407 or 704.242.3694  
[www.mccsvs.org](http://www.mccsvs.org)

**HELP HOPE HEALING** stephen MINISTRY.  
 Your Stephen Minister will talk with you and listen to you as you search through the pieces of your heart. To connect with a Stephen Minister, contact Rev. Sigrid Mottram at 980.240.2370 or [smottram@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:smottram@centralumcmonroe.org).  
**FREE ONE-ON-ONE CONFIDENTIAL CARE**  
 PROVIDED BY TRAINED CAREGIVERS

## Central Weekly Calendar

### SUNDAY 7/23

8:45 am Contemporary Service-Central Hall

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary

11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online

2:00 pm Sanctuary reserved



### MONDAY 7/24

ALL DAY Pastor Lanny on call/Pastor Sigrid's Sabbath

5:00 pm Newsletter/Bulletin Submission Deadline

5:30 pm Sanctuary Reserved

7:30 pm Nathan Clements Summer Concert-Sanctuary

### TUESDAY 7/25

9:30 am Worship Planning-Pastor Lanny's office

6:00 pm Dinner Church (Team 2)-FLC



### WEDNESDAY 7/26

6:00 pm InnerChange (vocals)-Choir Room

### THURSDAY 7/27

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group-The Derby



6:00 pm AAU Basketball-FLC

7:00 pm Union Big Book-Scout Hut

### FRIDAY 7/28

ALL DAY Pastor Sigrid on call/Pastor Lanny's Sabbath

### SATURDAY 7/29

9:00 am FLC Reserved until 12:00 pm



### SUNDAY 7/30

8:45 am Contemporary Service-Central Hall

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary

11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online



1:30 pm **CENTRAL YOUTH & Jr. Youth** to **URBAN AIR** Trampoline Park

### MONDAY 7/31

ALL DAY Pastor Lanny on call/Pastor Sigrid's Sabbath

5:00 pm Newsletter/Bulletin Submission Deadline

### TUESDAY 8/1

9:30 am Worship Planning-Pastor Lanny's office

6:00 pm Dinner Church (Team 3)-FLC



### WEDNESDAY 8/2

1:00 pm Dance Club-FLC

6:00 pm InnerChange (vocals)-Choir Room



### THURSDAY 8/3

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group-The Derby



6:00 pm AAU Basketball-FLC

6:30 pm Outreach/Missions Meeting via Zoom

7:00 pm Union Big Book-Scout Hut

**CENTRAL YOUTH** - Caswell Retreat (August 11-13)