

# Hymns IN THE Spirit OF THE Classics

A Concert Series Presented by **CLEMENTS MUSIC**

JOIN US TONIGHT!

Part I: The Hymns meet the Masters of the Classics

Sunday, October 15, 2023  
6:30pm | Central UMC Sanctuary  
Featuring Nathan Clements, piano



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

Central Presents:

*The True Gift*

Sunday, December 17, 2023

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

### Actors Needed

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!



## 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](mailto:skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org) or by calling 704.289.3186.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need a few volunteers to help with the children during dinner church. In an effort to help the families enjoy the sermon we would like to start providing crafts and other activities for the children. No need to plan or prepare ahead, an activity will be set up for you each week. You can volunteer every week or just when you are available. Reach out to Erica 704.290.4607 to sign up or if you have any questions.



## KIDS Worship



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

**During both services!**

## BIRTHDAY CLUB

October 19<sup>th</sup> at Mac's

Birthday Club will meet at Mac's is this Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am. Irene Ward and Jolene Kurtz are the hostesses. All are invited to celebrate!



## 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

## OUR NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

is Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am – 1:30 pm

Give Blood. Give Life.



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

## Celebration Singers




### Wednesday Nights

6-6:30 pm Children 4 years old – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
6:30-7 pm Children 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> 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 the Hospitality Room. Currently we are examining the video series: **Twelve More Women of the Bible**.



Prayer Requests

Sam Hovis | Glenda Moon | Carrie Ball (Linda Deese's niece) | Avery Deese (Linda Deese's grandniece)  
Brady Laney Family | John & Kim Cattie | Rich Majewski | Shan Reeder | Carol Reeder | Judy Sanders  
Unspoken | Jonathan Mackay | Shirley Alexander | Marilyn Keesler (Shannon's mother-in-law)  
Carolyn Witmore (Robert's wife) | Betty Lathan | Tyler Moon (Elaine Davis's grandson) | Bill Phifer  
Mike Taylor | Melony Cordero | Matthew Burnette Family | Neal Helms | Mark & John Patrus  
Victims of War/Disasters | Jimmy Mullis Family | Children of St. Jude & Shriner's Hospitals  
|| Janet Holden | Maeson Sutton | Celestia Touré | Katie Mackay-Praise | Pastor Sigrid | Stephanie  
Jamie Daniels | Unspoken | Janet Lancaster | Emily & Family  
(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 | Elaine & Dennis Lord | Joel Kurtz | Mary Jones | Meghan Broome | Maxine Wally  
Barbara Horack (Shelley Loberger's mother) | Eldoris Loberger (Dale's mother) | Kappy Giblin  
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@centralumcmmonroe.org  
to add or remove prayer requests. If you have confidential prayer request, please email  
llancaster@centralumcmmonroe.org or smottram@centralumcmmonroe.org.

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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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@centralumcmmonroe.org.

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for YOU!



Christ caring for people through people  
STEPHEN  
MINISTRY

Weekly Attendance

Week of 10/8/23-480

8:45 am Service-43

Sunday School-54

11:00 am Service-75

Online Service-168

Youth-17

Blessing of the Animals

25 People | 29 Animals

Dinner Church-63



October  
Edie Anderson & Elaine Davis

Ushers

8:45 am Contemporary Service

10/15-Cheri Barker & Amy Garrison  
10/22-Raelynn Helms & Luna Martinez  
10/29-Denise Rumley & Cheri Barker

11:00 am Traditional Service

10/15-Raelynn Helms, Luna Martinez,  
Addie Baucom & Norah Shupe  
10/22-Hank & Millie Baucom and  
Jack & Jackson Hargett  
10/29-Ken Neese & Jimmy Parker and  
Sean Daly & Roy Wade



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

Central's Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 10/15

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  
4:00 pm Jr. Youth-Children's Hall  
6:30 pm Nathan Clements Fall Concert-Sanctuary



MONDAY 10/16

ALL DAY Pastor Sigrid on call  
5:00 pm Newsletter/Bulletin Submission Deadline  
6:00 pm New Beginnings Circle-Hospitality  
6:30 pm Central Community Chorus-Choir Room

TUESDAY 10/17

9:30 am Worship Planning-Pastor Lanny's office  
11:00 pm Staff Meeting  
2:00 pm Chalk it up 2 Love Distribution-FLC Portico  
4:00 pm Knitting Girls-Library  
4:00 pm Common Heart-Getting Ahead- Hospitality,  
Upstairs Kitchen, Rooms 108, 110, 111 & 114  
6:00 pm Dinner Church (Team 2)-FLC  
6:30 pm Central Ringers-Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY 10/18

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

THURSDAY 10/19

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group-The Derby Restaurant  
10:00 am Soul Food-Hospitality Room  
11:30 am Birthday Club-Mac's Fish & Chicken  
1:00 pm Dance Club-FLC  
4:00 pm Common Heart-Getting Ahead- Hospitality,  
Upstairs Kitchen, Rooms 108, 110, 111 & 114  
7:00 pm Union Big Book-Scout Hut

FRIDAY 10/20

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

SATURDAY 10/21

8:00 am Central Squares-Upstairs Kitchen/Hospitality  
9:00 am FLC Reserved until Noon

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  
4:00 pm Jr. Youth-Children's Hall



Lay  
Reader

10/15-Dale Loberger  
10/22-Hannah Shupe  
10/29-Eric Shupe

NEWSLETTER

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  
calling 704.289.3186 or by email  
skeesler@centralumcmmonroe.org.



Departing from Charlotte on  
February 20, 2024!

For more information contact Pastor Lanny by email at  
llancaster@centralumcmmonroe.org or by calling the  
church office 704.289.3186. To learn more visit:

<https://www.eo.travelwithus.com/tours/hl24022024a61888#eotours>



Central Squares  
Men's Group

Central Squares Men's  
Group will meet next on  
Saturday, October 21<sup>st</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 at 803.370.3693  
or Gabe Febus at  
704.774.0342.

United Women in Faith

New Beginnings Circle will meet next Monday, October  
16<sup>th</sup> 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.

Lessie Anne Circle will meet next on Tuesday,  
November 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the Library. Contact Mary  
Engel with any questions at 704.226.1176.

Faith, Hope & Charity Circle will meet next on Monday,  
November 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm in the Hospitality Room. Call  
or text Nancy Gustafson for more information  
704.733.8686.