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Connect at Central

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January
14th
Newsletter

Welcome this morning! We are glad you are here! Remember to fill out your *Connect Card* and put in the offering plate!

Central is hosting a

Mobile Food Pantry



with



**COMMON
HEART**
a small revolution of kindness

Tuesday – January 30th

Central has rescheduled the Mobile Food Pantry with Common Heart to Tuesday, January 30th. We need help starting at 8:00 am with setting up tables, packing food items, loading food items into neighbors' vehicles, and packing up after the pantry is complete. We will be done by 12:00 pm at the latest. If you are available to help please contact the church office 704.289.3186 or skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org.

**Coram Deo (New Sunday School Class/Bible Study)
EZRA/NEHEMIAH (Pray-Build-Plan) series begins
next Sunday-January 21st at 9:45 am in Room 118**

When our burdens seem overwhelming, Nehemiah showed us the importance of prayer, contemplation and action. The story is more than building of a wall; It reflects the spiritual renewal of people; a necessary alignment with God's purpose and call to action. Please contact Jack Rouviere 704.668.7612 if you have any questions.

**The Sonshine Class is sponsoring a
County Wide Adult Special Needs**

BINGO Party

**Saturday, February 17th | 2:00-4:00 pm
in the Family Life Center**

For more information or to volunteer contact Sandy Deskins at 704.289.6210 (please leave a message) or Leslie Sanders (via text) at 704.254.6418.

MOBILE BLOOD DRIVE



See the main email blast page for the online sign-up link, contact Irene Ward or call the church office to schedule a time

**Sunday | January 14th
9:30 am to 1:30 pm**

Give Blood. Give Life.



Contact Irene Ward at 980.328.0520 with any questions



Birthday Club



Birthday Club will meet at Southern Roots this Thursday, January 18th at 11:30 am. Hostesses are Nan Thomas & Shannon Neal. If you want your name to be added or removed from the list, please contact Nancy Gustafson at 704.733.8686.

Grief & Share[®] at Central UMC

A new 6-week class will
start on Wednesday
February 14th at 6:30 pm

If you are interested in joining the class,
contact Bill McKee
at 337.288.3539 or bmckee302@gmail.com or
sign-up on the sheet at the Crossroads.

Celebration Singers

For children from 4 years old to 5th grade

Wednesdays at 6:00 pm

We meet in Room 112 on the Children's Hall!
Contact Barbara Pfau at 704.282.6770 with questions
or if you need more information.



Marriage & Family Therapy
Here at Central

Todd R. Matson, D. Min., LMFT
704.375.5354, ext.407 | 704.242.3694

LET'S
TALK

FREE ONE-ON-ONE CONFIDENTIAL CARE
PROVIDED BY TRAINED CAREGIVERS

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 Irene Ward 980.328.0520.



Christ caring for people through people

**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for YOU!

Hymns IN THE Spirit OF THE Classics

Part II: The Hymns meet the Ideas of the Classics

Sunday, February 4, 2024
6:30pm | Central UMC Chapel
Featuring Nathan Clements, piano

January ShareBack

The Chuck Wagon Blessing Box

Items needed:
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

Prayer Requests

Cynthia Smith | John & Kim Cattie | Beverly Carnes | Ivil Porter | Ruth Perry | Sam & Marilyn Keesler (Shannon's in-laws) | Kristin Roman Zavaleta | Jeanne Mackay | Bill Phifer | Mike Taylor | Melony Cordero | Mark & John Patrus | Joe Blanton
Matthew Burnette & Family | Jodie & Family | Children of St. Jude/Shriners Hospitals | Joey Taylor | Victims of War/Disasters ||
The Family of Virginia Bjorlin | Steve Blalock | Jon Lundin | Our Church's search for new staff | Charles Magee | Andrew Forsyth
Gary Caudill | Risha Edwards | Praying for Pastor Sigrid and her new journey | Shan Reeder | Carol Reeder | Pat Stewart
Our Church | Dinner Church | Pastoral Staff | My Family | Unspoken | Emily & Family | The Family of Dillon Brantley

(Prayer Request's stay on the above list for 2 weeks unless requested to be put on the "ongoing prayer requests")

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Jonathan Mackay | Betsy Griffin | Charles & Judy Sanders | Betty Lathan | Phyllis Matthews | Linda Burris | Glenda Moon
Donna Cranford | Carolyn Kindley | Addie Laney | Shauna Leonard (Kallie Clement's sister) | Sandy Deskins | Nancy Snyder
The Matson Family | Barbara Pfau | Martha Rollins | Betty Harkness | Margaret Furr | Barbara Klutz (Elaine Hall's sister)
Elaine Lambert | Andrew Lanier | Brian Outen | Kelli Whitaker | Dixon & Elaine Hall | Rosey Olsen | Mary Jones
Mitchell Taylor (Carolyn Kindley's nephew) | Chris Wiggins | Ruth Mackay | Joel Kurtz | Kappy Giblin
Vanessa Deese & Family (Linda's daughter in law) | Jimmie Hargett | Darlene Childers (Doris Campbell's sister)
Barbara Horack (Shelley Loberger's mother) | Eldoris Loberger (Dale's mother) | Our President | Our Governor | Our Military
Our Country | Bishop Ken Carter | DS 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.

Attendance

Week of 1/7/24-451

8:45 am Service-66

Sunday School-65

11:00 am Service-70

11:00 am Online-225

Youth-19 | Jr. Youth-6



January

Beth Hargett
& Libby Helms

Ushers 8:45 am Service

1/14-Cheri Barker & Denise Rumley

1/21- Amy Garrison & Erica Kirby

1/28- Cheri Barker & Denise Rumley

11:00 am Service

1/14-Matt & Nancy Gustafson and
John & Mary Ann Burns

1/21-Hank & Addie Baucom and
Millie Baucom & David Clements

1/28-Dale & Shelley Loberger and
Robert & Lina Hinson

*if you are interested in ushering for either
service please call/email the church office

CENTRAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY 1/14 Communion

8:45 am Contemporary-Central Hall

9:30 am **Mobile Blood Drive**-FLC Parking Lot

9:45 am Sunday School

10:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

11:00 am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary

11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online

5:00 pm Central Youth Group Lock-in-Family Life Center

MONDAY 1/15 MLK Holiday

ALL DAY Church Office Closed

6:00 pm New Beginnings Circle-Hospitality Room

TUESDAY 1/16

9:00 am Newsletter/Bulletin Submission Deadline

11:00 am Staff Meeting

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

WEDNESDAY 1/17

6:00 pm Celebration Singers-Room 112

7:00 pm Finance Meeting-Library

THURSDAY 1/18

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

9:30 am Stephen Minister's Meeting-Room 114

10:00 am Soul Food-Hospitality Room

11:30 am Birthday Club-Southern Roots

1:00 pm Dancing Club-Family Life Center

7:00 pm Union Big Book-Scout Hut

FRIDAY 1/19

ALL DAY Pastor Lanny's Sabbath/Rev. Hinson on-call

SATURDAY 1/20

9:00 am Family Life Center Reserved until Noon

SUNDAY 1/21

8:45 am Contemporary-Central Hall

9:45 am Sunday School

10:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

11:00 am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary

11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online

3:30 pm Central Youth

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

***To add your event to the calendar contact
the church office 704.289.3186 or email
skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org**

Soul Food Bible Study will meet this Thursday,
January 18th at 11:00 am in the Hospitality Room.
We are studying the series *Twelve More Women
of the Bible*. Come join us!

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of office volunteers from time to time.
Would you be interested in filling in for a couple hours
during staff meetings, half a day or even a whole day to
cover a sick or vacation day? Please contact Shannon at
704.289.3186 or skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org.



United Women in Faith

Save the dates!

Saturday, February 10th | Sunday, February 18th
Heart to Heart | UWF Soup Luncheon

New Beginnings Circle will meet again on Monday, January
15th. Call/text Linda Deese at 704.219.7199 for more info.

Grace & Mercy Circle please call/text Donna Young at
704.226.5954 if you have any questions or need info.

Lessie Anne Circle meets next on Tuesday, February 6th.
Grace Snelgrove has the program. Call Mary Engel with any
questions at 704.226.1176.

Faith, Hope & Charity Circle's next meeting will be on
Monday, February 12th. Call or text Nancy Gustafson for more
information 704.733.8686.



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Central Squares Men's Group

Central Squares Men's Group will
meet next on Saturday January 20th.
We start cooking breakfast at 7:30 am
with a 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.