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YOUTH SUNDAY



This Sunday Central Kids will be supporting the Youth for Youth Sunday. We will not have Kids Worship or Nursery. Also, we need as many children as possible present for the children's message. Come see what wonderful message the Youth have to share.

Nursery will be unlocked in case a parent needs to use the room.  
Questions-call or text Erica @ 704.290.4607

PLEASE BE SURE TO FILL OUT A  
**CONNECT CARD TODAY AND**  
**PUT IN THE OFFERING PLATE**  
(LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE PEW IN FRONT OF YOU)



May 7<sup>th</sup>  
Newsletter

## DINNER CHURCH



Tuesday nights at 6 pm  
in the Family Life Center

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

Come join us as we CONNECT  
WITH OUR COMMUNITY by  
sharing a meal and worship.

## May Shareback



Most needed items:

Chicken or beef bouillon  
Canned vegetables  
Canned or dried beans  
Sugar  
Syrup  
Pancake mix  
Spices  
Kosher salt  
Oats  
Grits  
Vinegar

Cleaning supplies  
Trash bags 25 gallon & 50 gallon  
Laundry detergent  
Dish soap  
Glass cleaner  
Shower shoes (cheap flip flops)  
Paper towels  
Toilet paper

Amazon wishlist link is on  
the main email blast page



Kermit & Janie Starnes Scholarship  
Central United Methodist Church, Monroe

## Starnes Scholarship Application due date 5/09

[centralumcmonroe.org/starnesscholarship](http://centralumcmonroe.org/starnesscholarship)  
Please email your intent to apply to Julie Miles  
at [jmiles@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:jmiles@centralumcmonroe.org)

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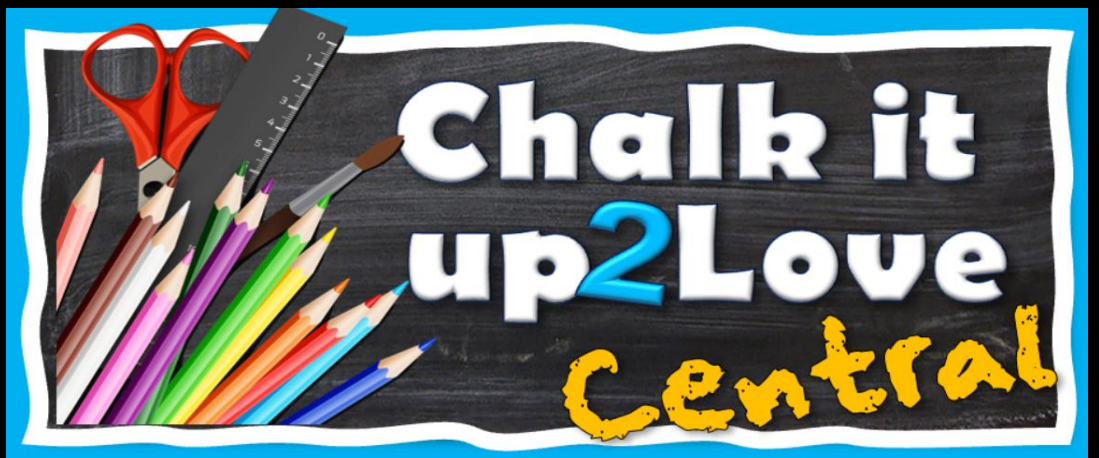
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The link to our "Amazon Wishlist" on main eblast page. For more info  
contact Virginia Duncan at 704.231.8623/[fduncan7119@gmail.com](mailto:fduncan7119@gmail.com) or  
Linda Deese at 704.219.7199/[linda.deese@gmail.com](mailto:linda.deese@gmail.com).



JULY  
9th-13th

SAVE  
THE  
DATE!

VBS



For more information or to sign-up to volunteer contact Erica at 704.290.4607

## 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

### 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 Pastor  
Sigrid Mottram 980.240.2370 or you can email her  
[smottram@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:smottram@centralumcmonroe.org).



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN  
MINISTRY

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for YOU!



SANCTUARY COUNSELING GROUP

## Marriage & Family Therapy

Here at Central

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

LET'S

TALK

Weekday Children's Ministries  
is hiring!

### Current Openings

Floater/Translator

Bus Driver

### Openings of the 2023-2024 School Year

Lead Teacher

Assistant Teacher

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



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# Prayer Requests

The Don Hagler Family | John & Kim Cattie | The Family of Karsyn VonEgidy | Jon Lundin | Joanne Hyde | Carson Young  
Jay Broom | Sue Brown | Ruth Perry | Charles Magee | Family of Bill Williams (Billy Williams' father) | Bill Phifer | Mike Taylor  
Melony Cordero | Jodie & Family | Emily & Family | War victims | Children of St. Jude & Shriners 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

Betty Lathan | John Young | Jim Gordon | Linda Deese | Daniel Mackay | Sandy Deskins | Paula Russell | Rosey Olsen  
John Tice | Dixon & Elaine Hall | Barbara Pfau | Jimmie Hargett | Maeson Sutton & Family | Chris Wiggins | Martha Rollins  
Elaine & Dennis Lord | Joel Kurtz | Barbara Horack (Shelley Loberger's mother) | Eldoris Loberger (Dale's mother) | Mary Jones  
Karen Dyer (Lisa Kania's sister-in-law) | Meghan Broome | Kappy Giblin | Doris Wheeler | Jean Semken | Maxine Wally  
Robert Rylander | Jack Harper III | Dillon Brantley | Jonathan Mackay | Bob Sullivan | Jason Hill | Gareth Simpson  
Ronnie Haigler | Darlene Childers (Doris Campbell's sister) | Our President | Our Governor | Our Military | Our Country  
Bishop Ken Carter | District Superintendent Laura Auten | Central UMC Staff  
*Please call the Church Office at 704.289.3186 or email [skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org](mailto:skeesler@centralumcmonroe.org) to add your 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 4/30-485**  
8:45 am Service-60  
Sunday School-61  
11:00 am Service-75  
Online Service-219  
Dinner Church-42  
Jr. Youth-8  
Youth-20

### Lay Reader

5/7-Youth Sunday  
5/14-David Paschal  
5/21-Dale Loberger  
5/28-Nathan Clements

### Altar Guild

Julie Hendley  
& Pat Rabon

## CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Are you interested in joining a Cancer Support Group? If so, please contact Jean Semken at 704.301.0435 or at [jsemken@twc.com](mailto:jsemken@twc.com)

### Ushers

**8:45 am Contemporary Service**  
5/14-Denise Rumley & Cheri Barker  
5/21-Cheri Barker & Amy Garrison  
5/28-Amy Garrison & Denise Rumley  
**11:00 am Traditional Service**  
5/14-Robert & Linda Hinson and John & Mary Ann Burns  
5/21-Hank Baucom & James Clements and Jack Hargett & David Clements  
5/28-Davey & Dale Ann Plyer and David & Amy Paschal

### United Women in Faith

**Faith, Hope & Charity Circle** meets this coming Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm in the Hospitality Room.

**Lessie Anne Circle** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month 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 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 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.

## Central UMC Weekly Calendar

### SUNDAY 5/7 YOUTH SUNDAY

9:30 am **Mobile Blood Drive**-FLC Parking Lot  
9:45 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Traditional Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room  
11:00 am Traditional Service-Sanctuary  
11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online

### MONDAY 5/8

ALL DAY Pastor Lanny on call/Pastor Sigrid Sabbath  
12:00 am Civitans-Scout Hut  
1:30 pm Faith, Hope & Charity Circle-Hospitality  
5:00 pm Newsletter/Bulletin Submission Deadline

### TUESDAY 5/9

9:30 am Worship Planning-Pastor Lanny's office  
11:00 am Weekly Staff Meeting  
4:00 pm Knitting Girls-Library  
5:00 pm Community Faith Nurses Meeting-Room 115  
6:00 pm Dinner Church-FLC  
6:30 pm Central Ringers

### WEDNESDAY 5/10

6:00 pm Celebration Singers-Choir Room  
6:00 pm InnerChange (vocals)-Chapel  
6:30 pm Finance Committee Mtg.-Library  
7:15 pm Chancel Choir-Choir Room

### THURSDAY 5/11

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group-The Derby  
10:00 am Soul Food-Hospitality Room  
6:00 pm AAU Basketball-FLC  
7:00 pm Union Big Book-Scout Hut

### FRIDAY 5/12

ALL DAY Pastor Sigrid on call/Pastor Lanny Sabbath  
SATURDAY 5/13

9:00 am Kenny Brown Basketball-FLC

### SUNDAY 5/14 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

8:45 am Contemporary Service-Central Hall  
9:45 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Traditional Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room  
11:00 am Traditional Service-Sanctuary  
11:00 am Livestream Worship-Online  
NO Jr. Youth or CENTRAL YOUTH

## Central Squares Men's Group

Central Squares Men's Group will meet next on Saturday, May 20<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. Central Squares meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month. For more information or questions please contact Eric Shupe 803.370.3693 or Gabe Febus 704.774.0342.

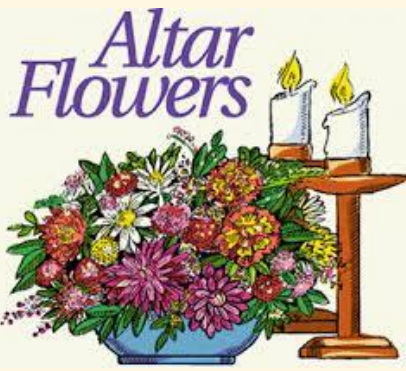
## Soul Food Bible Study

Join us as for a 4-week study as we discuss the "I am" statements of Christ. We meet on Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Hospitality Room. All ladies are invited!

### Men's Breakfast Group meets at the Derby Restaurant

Thursday mornings  
8:00 am

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



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