

# The Vital Connection

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

276 W. First Street, Denton, NC

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## NOTE:

**July & August Newsletter**  
Deadline for News & Pictures  
June 26, 2016

## **Words from Warren...**

A Mother is a wonderful creature constructed almost entirely of love and this she can express in a million ways from hugs and kisses and good cooking and patient listening, to stern lectures and strict rules and repeated use of the word "no".

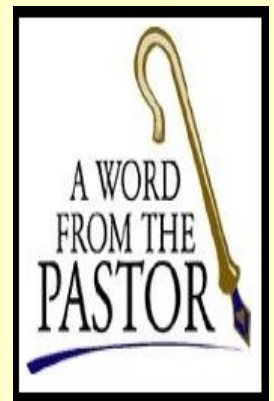
Like snowflakes, no two mothers are alike but they have a number of things in common. Name anything...a mother can be found washing it, roasting it, polishing it, getting rid of it, packing it, teaching it, redecorating it, loving it, or talking it over at PTO or UMW.

A mother cares about, and for almost everything...gardens, pets, the state of the nation, a worn spot in the rug, hungry people, and most of all, father and her children. For these she can do anything, dare anything, and fight for anything, necessary for their happiness.

A mother is not always an angel. She will often disagree with you, expect too much of you, criticize your choice of friends, and bring up the subject of work when you feel least energetic. But she's always ready to love you and help you when you need her the most.

Often times you don't always tell a mother how much you love her or how much you wish the most wonderful things in the world will come to her because there are no words that express feelings so deep and sincere. Somehow, though, you feel she understands what's in your heart. Mother's always do. To all the Mother's – HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY. May you always be that special person to your children and family.

*Rev. Warren Miller*







## SPECIAL THANKS...

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to all those who made April 17th a special day for us. The recognition bestowed upon us was humbling. We could not have accomplished things during our years at Central without the help of others. Working together is what it is all about. Thank you for your cards, your best wishes, your gifts, and especially for my hand-made quilt by Kitty and Sarah which I will cherish forever. God's love has surely shown through at Central. God has rewarded us with your lasting friendships. Our love and prayers to all. — Judy and Terry Bowman



## OUTREACH MINISTRIES

### OPEN INVITATION TO ALL WOMEN

The United Methodist Women of Central Church meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the UMW Room downstairs. ALL Women are invited to fellowship as women with a purpose in our church and community.

UMW will sponsor a "rest stop" for the Charlotte/Mecklenburg Police Memorial Bike Ride to Washington DC on Monday, May 9th. Riders will be stopping in at 3:00 p.m. at the hut for refreshments. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 2:00 p.m.



New Hospitality Welcome Bags have been prepared for visitors who attend our worship services. Special thanks to Nancy Sexton, Joanne Harrold and Cathy Ward for heading up this project.



Several ladies attended to UMW Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 30 at Central UMC in Albemarle and while attending donated 4 birthing bags to missions.

Special thanks to Judy Bowman and Glenda Futrell for updating the children activity bags for Sunday morning worship hour.

Other UMW Ladies (Judy Bowman, Glenda Futrell, JoAnn Smith and Louise Dockham) visited the students at Badin Lake to assist Megan Caulder's class.



Let us remember to continue to provide non-perishable food items as much as possible to continue to keep our Food Pantry fully stocked. Items may be left at the Pantry Door, church office or in the grocery

cart located in the narthex. We will also be collecting jams and jellies for SD Resource Center for month of



### Stop Hunger Now Pack-A-Thon

Rice Bags packaging will be held on Saturday, May 7 at 10:00 am at South Davidson Fire Dept., Hwy. 109 South. Volunteers are needed.



### UNITED METHODIST MEN

UMM Meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 8:00 a.m. Join In...May 8 & June 12.

Special Thanks to UMM for purchasing new flags for the flag poles and repairing the church walking trail. **It all looks wonderful!** It is a blessing to the community and all who enjoy these Eagle projects.

Did you know there are welcome cards for all who visit the walking trail inviting them to our church? Be sure to take one, read it while you walk, keep it or return it for the next person, there are plenty to go around....check them out in the information boxes located at both entrances to the trail.







## Believers Learning and Sharing Together

**B.L.A.S.T.** Meets every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. Ages are middle school and high school students until attendance in each age group increases. **Got an idea or concept for an event, social or activity for our youths, let your ideas be known!!!**  
Volunteers and guest speakers are welcomed.

**Bring a friend and join us for a Blast as we learn about Christ!**



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



## Children's Choir Sings Joyful Sounds for us all

Special Thanks to Nathan and Shawna Kinley for teaching the Children's Choir to make joyful sounds for the Lord!

Children's Choir meets every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Hut. Join today!

**SPECIAL MUSIC throughout the year!!**

## K- 5TH CLASS

Join Sarah Morris and Kitty King's Class as they teach our children ages from Kindergarten to 5th Grade.



Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m.  
There's always snacks, crafts, and a bible lesson.  
**"Don't forget to bring your new bible to class — this will help you learn more about God's Holy Word!"**



**Special Thanks to  
Kathy Baum  
for helping get the  
BLAST class  
started over a year ago.**

**Your efforts and participation in our youth program will be missed.**



## PRESCHOOL GRADUATION

Thursday, May 26

6:00 PM—Sanctuary

Covered dish following.

## FIELDTRIP & FAMILY DAY

Dan Nicholas Park

Tuesday, May 31

**Best of Luck!**

**CLASS of 2016**

We Love You,

Mrs. Crouse & Mrs. Talbert



# Sunday Worship Leaders — May and June, 2016

## USHERS

### MAY

David Skeen & Steve Harris

### JUNE

Buddy & Nancy Sexton

## GREETERS

### MAY

Betty Morris & Gilda Morris

### JUNE

Lawrence & Bobbie Ridge

## CHILDREN'S TIME

MAY 8: Rev. Miller

MAY 15: Cathy Ward

MAY 22: Harrison Park

MAY 29: Tina Lanier

JUNE 5: Rev. Miller

JUNE 12: Ann Crouse

JUNE 19: Debbie Sigmon

JUNE 26: Beth Ligon

## LAY READERS

MAY 8: Jocelyn Kearns

MAY 15: Stewart Sexton

MAY 22: Harrison Park

MAY 29: Miranda Morris

JUNE 5: Margaret Harris

JUNE 12: Chase Cross

JUNE 19: Randall King

JUNE 26: Cathy Ward

## ACOLYTES

MAY 8: Chase Cross

MAY 15: Austin Calhoun

MAY 22: Emma Walton

MAY 29: Logan Lester

JUNE 5: Casey Calhoun

JUNE 12: Chase Cross

JUNE 19: Joseph Smith

JUNE 26: Cindy Calhoun

## ALTAR FLOWERS

MAY 8: Cathy Ward

MAY 15: Kitty & Randall King

MAY 22: Harrison Park

MAY 29: Family of  
Joe & Willie Taylor

JUNE 5: Sharon Cranford

JUNE 12: Gilda Morris

JUNE 19: Annette Barbee,  
Myra Flowers & Lee Terrell

JUNE 26: Russ Davis

*To place flowers on the altar for a  
special occasion or remembrance,  
call Billie Allison at 859-0485.*

## OFFERINGS RECEIVED

Mar. 6 \$6,029.00

Mar. 13 \$3,076.69

Mar. 20 \$3,076.69

Mar. 27 \$6,648.00

Apr. 3 \$4,852.80

Apr. 10 \$3,691.00

Apr. 17 \$5,334.50

Apr. 24 \$4,810.40

## NON BUDGET RECEIPTS

Lilies \$90.00

Emergency \$225.00

Stop Hunger Now \$967.75

## ATTENDANCE

	<u>Worship</u>	<u>SS</u>
Mar. 6	110	32
Mar. 13	82	38
Mar. 20	103	36
Mar. 27	177	29
Apr. 3	121	49
Apr. 10	72	34
Apr. 17	162	27
Apr. 24	80	35



## CHURCH MEMBERS

Lexi Baum, Janice Esposito,  
Dick Getz, Pam Harrison,  
Lillie Hill, Danny Hill,  
Jerrie Lomax, Diza Morris,  
Addie Phillips, Craig Sigmon,  
Johnnie Sigmon, Othell & Ava  
Lee Surratt, Sam Whitlock and  
Peggy Wilkins

## MOUNTAIN VISTA

Jack Briggs	Rm #73
Mack Cranford	Rm #94
Edith Sigmon	Rm #59
George Tillotson	Rm #89
Vae C. Davis	Rm #92
Hervey Yates	Rm #112
Margaret Hunt	Rm #108
Odessa Gallimore	Rm #52

## PIEDMONT CROSSING

Ramona M. Cranford

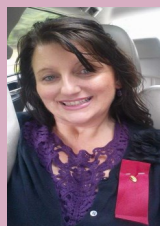
## TAYLOR GLEN, CONCORD

Jerrie Lomax

## MILITARY

Matt Beanblossom,  
Brian Sexton, Ryan Smithling

## CONGRATULATIONS!!

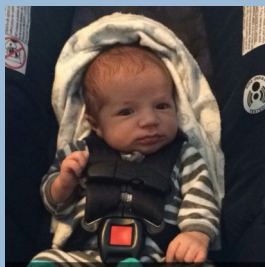


**Shawna Kinley**  
recognized on May 1, 2016 as  
this year's recipient of the  
UMW Special Recognition Pin!  
We love you, Shawna!



# CELEBRATIONS & PRAISES

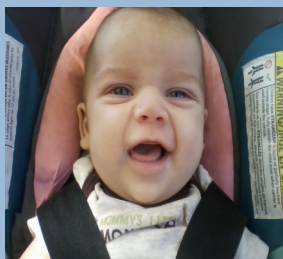
**It's A Boy Thing!!!! Exciting new births in our church family...**



**NICHOLAS ARES SOFIA**

February 15, 2016  
(7 lbs. 9 oz.)

Son of Haven and Joe Sofia  
Grandson of John & Cindy Lomax  
Great-grandson of Jerrie Lomax



**ELWOOD GRAYSON CALHOUN**

February 3, 2016  
(7 lbs. 4 oz.)

Son of Roger & Cathy Calhoun  
Brother of Casey, Austin, Cindy  
Hailey, Joseph and Adeline



**GATLIN RIVER CROUCH**

February 23, 2016  
(8 lbs. 7b oz.)

Son of Adam & Deana Crouch  
Brother of Emmitt & Addie  
Grandson of Chuck & Debbie Crouch

*If you have a Celebration or Praise you'd like to share with your church family, whether it is an engagement, wedding, birth announcement or special event, let us hear from you!*



2016 VBS will teach children to *Follow Jesus—The Light of the World!*



Volunteers are needed!!!  
**Dates are August 3-5**  
**(Wed.-Friday)**  
**6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**May 22—11:00 am**  
**Community Service in Harrison Park**



**June 5—11:30 am**  
**Mt. Ebal Service**  
**Central Service at 10:00 am**



### ***"There's No Place Like Home for Isabella!"***

Being on stage is like home to her...playing the lead role of Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz at Twin City Stage. She performed 5 nights plus rehearsal. Pictured here with her Granny & Pop Pop—Ann and Austin Cook! Great job, Isabella, keep up the good work—you're sure to be a star one day!

## VITALITY EVENTS

**Ice Cream Social**  
**June 12 ~ 2—4 p.m.**



AND



**Kids Carnival**  
**June 25~Time TBA**

**CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2016**  
**GRADUATION SUNDAY—June 12**

High School Graduates—Chase Cross  
Miranda Morris  
Alana Zeitany—UNC at Chapel Hill  
Dr. Alex Zeitany— UNC Medical School



**BAZAAR DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!!!!**

**Workshop Days— Tuesdays**  
**9:30 a.m. beginning May 10**

Remember the fall bazaar when canning vegetables, making jams and jellies, etc. Contact Kitty King for more details or email her at [kittyking@triad.rr.com](mailto:kittyking@triad.rr.com)



*May the Glory of God Bless Each of You on the Celebration of Your Special Day!*

## Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations

### **MAY Birthdays**

1-David Luther, Cori Floyd, Laura Hearn  
2-Brenda Wilson  
3-Mike Lanier, Addilyn Crouch  
4-Thelma Luther  
5-Ashleigh Kiser, Thomas Critcher  
6-Michelle Conner  
7-Eric Morris, Brandon Marshall, Jillian Gorno, Boone Hinesley, Emily Lovell, Lauren Moses  
8-Kim Smith, Janice Baldwin, Thomas Sexton, David Garrison  
9-Madelyn Daniel, Morgan Pleasants  
10-Janice Sigmon, Hadley Briggs, Bill Dearhake, Madison Pleasants, David Hedrick, Shane Ingold  
11-Meredith Sexton, Ashley Pleasants, Jack Briggs  
12-Poppy Watkins, Katie Brower, Andrew Allen, Bobbie Ridge  
13-Oliva Carter, Anna Morris  
14-Joseph Calhoun, Danny Smith  
15-Sonja Grubb, Laurie Briggs  
16-Simon Ostrander, Jackson Whitlock, Te Baldwin, Rickie Workman  
17-Lori Rayburn, Lauren Hulin, Dawn English  
18-Mendy Tucker, Michelle Sexton, Daelyn Bean, Summer Cook  
19-Hannah Baldwin, Brandon Garner, Anna Garner  
20-Daniel Smith, Bailey Baldwin  
21-Ronnie Steed, William Hinesley  
22-Will Barbee, Nathan Kinley  
23-Al Penry, John Pleasants, Reid Crouse  
24-Richard Everhart  
25-Cathy Jackson, Nathan Crouch, Tracey Marshall  
26-Tina Lanier, Shawn Crouch, Deacon Jones, Jack Briggs II  
27-Kimber Ostrander, Martha Beyeler, Jason Hilton  
28-Brian Sexton  
29-Alan Rudisill  
30-Anne Crouse  
31-Libby Hall

### **MAY Anniversaries**

5-Brandon & Candace Shore  
11-John & Lanette Tysinger  
13-Curtis & Peggy Marshall  
14-Sandy & Kelly Young  
15-Ronnie & Tonya Haneline, Dick & Sandi Johnson  
16-Joel & Katie Clark, Randall & Kitty King  
19-Bo & Debbie Johnson  
20-Ronnie & Virginia Harrison, Lee & Jennifer Hinesley  
24-Norman & Susie Hubbard  
25-Robert & Teresa Stevenson  
26-Wes & Jordan Taylor  
27-Dennis & Wendy Cagle  
29-Shad & Sylvia Morris, David & Brandy Pope  
30-Payne & Meagan Caulder



### **JUNE Birthdays**

1-SaraTugwell, Dilon Vestal, Aron Naponen, Isabella Carroll  
2-Rodney Nance  
3-Kim Bivens, Nancy Futrell, Larry Morris, Ben Rivenbark  
4-Jacob Rudisill, Matthew Morris  
5-Randy Lawson, Rhonda Workman  
6-Daniel Parker Jr., Chris Simpson, Bo Johnson  
7-Mack Cranford, Roger Ligon  
8-Leann Hamilton, Noah Wood, Cathy Ward, Casey Calhoun, Alex Kirkman, Marvene Surratt  
9-Tommy Frazier, Cindy Calhoun  
10-Leann Parker, Charles Garner  
11-Polly Hedrick, Lindey Steed  
12-Evelyn Bircher, Diza Morris, Allyn Morris  
13-Bonnie Lanier, Candace Smith, Kathryn Tysinger  
14-Matthew Lanier, Karen Argo, Warren Miller, Eddie Jackson  
15-Keith Kirkman  
16-Jessica Baum, Ava Lee Surratt, Jamie Surratt, Justin Morris, Alex Montgomery  
18-Julie Layne, Angie Nelson, David Hearn  
19-Ken Beck  
20-Stewart Grubb, Rick Phillips, Paul Sexton  
21-Danielle Lawson  
22-Jackson Sommers  
23-Andy Dockham, Ellrie Kiser  
24-Jake Jones, Thomas May  
26-Jake Baldwin, Braxton Coleman, Joe Harrold  
27-Aaron Smith, Conrad Harrold  
28-Anna Frazier  
29-Ann Wolford, Heather Hedrick  
30-Kevin Kiser, Phoebe Gallimore

### **JUNE Anniversaries**

1-Gene and Amelia McIntyre  
3-Michael and Amy Rowell  
6-Anthony & Ashley Pleasants  
7-Steven & Lisa Grubb  
8-Ronnie & Louise Newsom  
10-Dale & Rhonda Spencer  
14-Jay & Joanna Stone, Steve & Julie Sexton, Chris & Andrea Linthicum  
16-Danny & Brenda Burton, John & Celie Sexton  
19-Thompson & Sarah Skeen  
20-Will & Jana Sigmon, Ames & Polly Sexton  
21-Tony & Karen Argo  
23-Terry & Judy Bowman  
24-Robbie & Dawn English, Patrick & Denese OHara, Matt & Courtney Howard  
25-Roger & Vickie Smith  
26-Arnold & Emily Lovell  
27-Roby & Diza Morris  
28-Ben & Addie Futrell  
29-Tom & Jeanette Beanblossom  
30-Joseph & Cameron Ligon, Wayne & Linda Markham  
30-Reid & Ann Crouse



2016		MAY			2016	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 a.m. Sunday School :00 a.m. Morning Worship :00 p.m. Cub Scouts	2 Denton Ladies Civitans	3 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Women meet	4 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	5 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 3:00 p.m. Bingo at Mt. Vista Host: Methodist Men	6	7
8:00 a.m. Methodist Men :00 Sunday School :00 a.m. Morning Worship	9	10 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Hut 6:00 p.m. Vitality Group 7:00 p.m. Health and Welfare	11 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	12 8:30 a.m. Pre-School	13 4:30 p.m. Older Adult Ministries	14
9:30 a.m. Serv. at Mt. Vista :00 a.m. Sunday School :00 a.m. Morning Worship :00 p.m. Cub Scouts	16 Denton Ladies Civitans	17 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Hut	18 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	19 8:30 a.m. Pre-School	20	21
10:30 a.m. Worship at Harrison rk	23	24 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Hut	25 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	26 8:30 a.m. Pre-School 6:30 p.m. Pre-School Graduation	27 4:30 p.m. Older Adult Ministries	28
10:00 a.m. Sunday School :00 a.m. Morning Worship	30 3:00 p.m. Small Jewelry Group meets	31 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Hut				

SPECIAL THANKS TO LINDA DAVIS FOR PRODUCING CALENDARS IN ADVANCE FOR THE NEWSLETTER!

2016		JUNE			2016	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	2 3:00 p.m. Bingo at Mt. Vista – Host: Methodist Men	3	4
0:00 a.m. Morning Worship 1:30 a.m. Service at Mt. Ebal :00 p.m. Cub Scouts	6 1:30-6:00 p.m. Red Cross Bloodmobile at the Hut Denton Ladies Civitans meet	7 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Women meet	8 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	9	10 4:30 p.m. Older Adult Ministries	11
2 8:00 a.m. Methodist Men 0:00 a.m. Sunday School 1:00 a.m. Morning Worship :00 p.m. Cub Scouts	13	14 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 6:00 p.m. Vitality Group 7:00 p.m. Health & Welfare	15 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	16	17	18
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6 0:00 a.m. Sunday School 1:00 a.m. Morning Worship	27 3:00 p.m. Jewelry Small Group	28 8:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting	29 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	30		



# CHURCH NEWS

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