

The Vital Connection

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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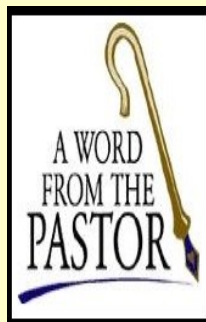
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Staying Connected

“Parting is Such Sweet Sorrow”



1 Corinthians 3:5-9 ESV

5 What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. 7 So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. 8 He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. 9 For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

It has been said, “Parting is such sweet sorrow.” It’s true. Leaving one congregation for another is difficult. Yes, there is the excitement of something new, but really it does not make it easier to say goodbye to the friends we have made in the congregation we are leaving. Central has partnered with me during the ordination process. Central has reached out to my family. Central has worked with me to help Central stay strong and vibrant during Covid. We have cared for the needy. We have fed the poor and working poor. We have grown our preschool. We have renovated bathrooms and renovated our playground. We have done a lot. Thank you so much for the last six years. Thank you so much for the caring, the sharing and the loving. We have played together. We have celebrated together. We have cried together. Just as the flowers of spring grow into the fruit of summer so to my time with you is passing. I am grateful for our season together. Do not dismay. Just as Paul planted and Apollos watered so I have done my best to serve you and Rev. Amy is following me, but it is God who provides the growth. Please trust in God for your future. Please love your new pastor that you may grow closer to God together. Now is the time for a new kind of fruit; the fruit of gracious and loving hospitality.

By God's Good Grace,
Richard



Lunch & Learn was held on May 24 with the most attendance ever with 33 attending. Dennis Sheppard was the guest speaker, his topic was “ Spirituality in GOD”

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



**OPEN INVITATION
TO ALL WOMEN**

The United Women in Faith meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Hut. ALL Women are invited to fellowship as women with a purpose in our church and community.

United Methodist women celebrated UMW Sunday on March 13th 2022. Guest speaker was Tonya Lanier. The member remembered by the lighting of a memorial candle was Edith Johnson. This year's United Methodist Women legacy recipient was Genie Russell. Congratulations Genie, well deserved! Other legacy members honored were JoAnne Harrold and Betty Morris. The United

Methodist Women (UMW) has a new name, United Women in Faith (UWiF), this is our new National logo. The change

is designed to address the different needs and life stages of current members and new women and expand options for membership and engagement. The new name also aims to welcome current members whose local churches may choose to disaffiliate from The United Methodist Church as well as women of other faith traditions who want to join.



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UWiF Spiritual Growth



**June 1, 2022
2-6:30 in the Hut
in honor of
Wilson Carter.**



UWiF delivered beautiful carnations to the ladies at Mt. Vista Health Park in honor of Mother's Day.



A candle was lit in memory of Edith Johnson on UWiF Sunday as a legacy member.



**UMW Mission Walk
May 7, 2022 @ CUMC Walking Trail. Mission Walk 2022 was a huge success! We had 13 participants and raised \$618.00.**

USHERS & GREETERS
STEVE HARRIS & SCOTT MORRIS



Baptism of August Noelle Burns. Parents are Carter & Blair Burns. Grandparents are Tim & Janice Coleman, Norman & Susie Hubbard, & John Burns. Great grandfather, Wilson Carter.



**Easter Eggstravaganza
 cake walk.**

BAPTISMS

Baptism of Weston James Todd Surratt. Parents are Aaron Surratt, & Courtney Behrens. Grandparents are Deborah & the late Todd Behrens, Ronnie & Anita Surratt. Great grandparents are Lynda & the late James Kearns, Norma & the late Lynn Moore, Mae Dean & Paul Parker, Ruth Ann Pope & the late Jimmy Surratt.



**Palming the cross on
 Palm Sunday**



Concerns: Ryan Askew(great niece of Ann Cook), Cameron Barbee, Jeanette Beanblossom (recovering from knee surgery), Ed Blount, Karen Blount, April Bowman, Jack & Joan Briggs, Linda Carroll, Gary Cole, Larry & LaRue Cook, Jennifer Covington, Danny Fritts, Nancy Futrell, Sheila Gallimore, Sherri Gallimore, DeLisa Garner, Dick & Diane Getz, Jimmy Goins (Nancy Futrell's brother, Parkinsons), Grandfather of Harris Pistiolis, Conrad & JoAnne Harrold, Jeff Harwell, Gayle Hilton (recovering from surgery), LeRoy & Betty Hinesley (Betty fell, broke pelvis & foot), Carolyn Jones (Sylvia Morris's sister), Lynda Kearns, Bobby Marion, Ginger Martin, Darin & Abigail McGonigle, Mack McGonigle, Benny Montgomery, Sylvia Morris, Mountain Vista, Lori Nance, Marie Penry, Bobbie Ridge, Lib Sexton, Bobby Smith, JoAnn Smith, Randall Smith, Woody Sturdivant, Sam Whitlock, Covid patients, First Responders, Mass School shooting in TX, Medical Personnel, Teachers, Our Nation, State, & Community, Ukraine conflict, Unspoken.

ATTENDANCE

Worship

Apr. 3	59	May 1	43
Apr. 10	88	May 8	66
Apr. 17	131	May 15	59
Apr 24	69	May 22	42

Mt: Vista: Ella Mae Beck (83), Donald Bisher (201), Bobby Buie (100), Lottie Buie (108), Barbara Carrick (109), Linda Dobbins (98), Betty Gobble (62), Virgie Goodwin (59), James Hopkins (72), Betty Jones (106), Betty Morris (82), Lawrence Ridge (87), Louise Rogers (78), Carole Snider (84), Jeanette Stratas (64-1), Lucille Surratt (94), Geneva Swaringen (52-1), George Tillotson (89), Peggy Wilkins (109)

Navahlia Quesenberry: 2428 Logan Field Drive, Waxhaw, NC 28173

Ava Lea Surratt: Sandy Ridge Homes: 326 Bowman Road, Candor, NC 27229

Sherri Gallimore
 2930 S. Buchanan Street, Apt. B1
 Arlington, VA 22206



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Cooper



Savannah



Braxton



Sawyer



Marabelle



Pasha



Carter



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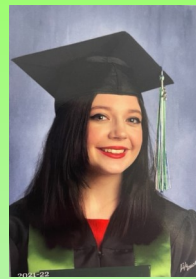
Joseph Aaron Smith

Joseph is a 2022 graduate of South Davidson High School. Joseph is the son of Aaron & Candice Smith. He has two brothers, Devon, & Noah. His grandparents are, Danny & Brenda Burton, and Danny & Myra Smith. Great-Grandmother, Grace Smith. He will be attending Pfeiffer University.



Gavin Ryan Walton

Gavin is a 2022 graduate of South Davidson High School. Gavin is the son of Laura Walton & Jason Walton. He has two siblings, Emma, & Jackson. His grandparents are, Al & Marie Penry, & the late Johnny & Vicki Walton. He will be attending Pfeiffer University and studying Kinesiology & Physical Therapy.



Abigail Eliza Ward

Abigail is a 2022 graduate of Uwharrie Charter Academy. She is the daughter of Tonya & Mike Marion, & William & Heather Ward. Grandparents are Vickie Cruthis, Ronald Cruthis, Charlie Ward, & the late Ann Ward. She has a brother Caleb Ward. Abigail will be attending Meredith College where she will major in Biology.



Olivia Corinne Parker

Olivia is a 2022 graduate of South Davidson High School. She is the daughter of John & Leigh Parker. She has a brother, Sam. Her grandparents are Jim & Judi Boggs, Tony & Nan Parker. She will be attending UNC-Chapel Hill where she will study Audiology.



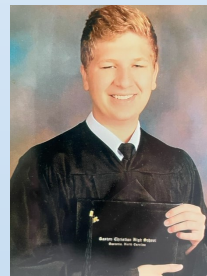
Austin Calhoun

Austin is a 2022 graduate of Southwestern Randolph High School. He is the son of Cathy Calhoun. He will be attending RCC studying Automotive Systems.



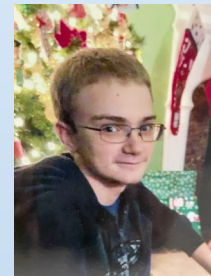
Cindy Calhoun

Cindy is a 2022 graduate of Southwestern Randolph High School. She is the daughter of Cathy Calhoun. She will be joining the Marine Corps this month.



Benjamin Tugwell

Ben is a 2022 graduate of Gaston Christian High School. He is the son of Kevin & Sara Tugwell and the grandson of Bud & Nancy Sexton. He will attend Appalachian State.



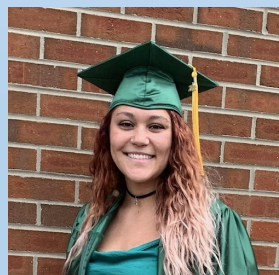
Daniel Sexton

Daniel is a 2022 graduate of Wake Tech. He is the son of Steve & Julie Sexton and the grandson of Bud & Nancy Sexton.



Emma Kate Futrell

Emma is a 2022 graduate of UNC-G. She earned a BS in nursing and will be employed with Emory Midtown Hospital in Atlanta as an OR nurse. She is the daughter of Ben & Addie Futrell, and the grand-daughter of Benson & Shelby Futrell, & Ames & Polly Sexton.



Jessa Lunn Cabrera

Jessa is a 2022 graduate of GTCC. She is the daughter of Crissie Cabrera & Joel Cabrera. She has a daughter Cora. She is the granddaughter of Esko & Adalyn Nopanen. She earned her degree in Aviation Management Technology and will be attending flight school.



Caroline McKay Hinesley

Caroline is a 2022 graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill. She is the daughter of Lee & Jennifer Hinesley and the granddaughter of LeRoy & Betty Hinesley. She earned a BS in Neuroscience and minors in Chemistry & Health Society.

*Congratulations
to the
Class of 2022
from your church
family at Central
UMC.*

Farewell Pastor Richard & Family

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family well. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless you at your new appointment. During the last six years, CUMC has been blessed by your service. Together we have experienced the expansion of your family and survived the pandemic. Thank you for your leadership through it all.



Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations

MAY Birthdays

- 1-Cori Floyd, Laura Hearn
- 2-Brenda Wilson
- 3-Mike Lanier, Addilyn Crouch
- 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 Deerhake, Madison Pleasants, David Hedrick, Shane Ingold
- 11-Meredith Sexton, Ashley Pleasants, Jack Briggs
- 12-Poppy Watkins, Katie Brower, Andrew Allen, Bobbie Ridge
- 13-Olivia Carter, Anna Morris
- 14-Joseph Calhoun, Danny Smith
- 15-Sonja Grubb, Laurie Briggs
- 16-Simon Ostrander, Jackson Whitlock, Te Baldwin, Rickie Workman, Dima Skeen
- 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-William Hinesley
- 22-Will Barbee, Nathan Kinley
- 23-Al Penry, John Pleasants
- 24-Richard Everhart
- 25-Cathy Jackson, Nathan Crouch, Tracey Marshall, Abigail Ward
- 26-Tina Lanier, Shawn Crouch, Deacon Jones, Jack Briggs II
- 27-Kimber Ostrander, Martha Beyeler
- 28-Brian Sexton
- 29-Alan Rudisill
- 30-Anne Crouse

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, 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-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, Linsey Steed
- 12-Evelyn Bircher, Allyn Morris
- 13-Bonnie Lanier, Candace Smith, Katheryn Tysinger
- 14-Matthew Lanier, Eddie Jackson
- 15- Tonya Marion, Keith Kirkman
- 16-Jessica Smith, 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
- 23-Terry & Judy Bowman
- 24-Robbie & Dawn English, Patrick & Denese OHara,
Matt & Courtney Howard
- 26-Arnold & Emily Lovell
- 28-Ben & Addie Futrell
- 29-Tom & Jeanette Beanblossom
- 30-Joseph & Cameron Ligon



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