

SERMON TEXT FOR TODAY
Matthew 6:9-13 NIV

“This, then, is how you should pray:

““Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.

STEWARDSHIP –MAY 13, 2018

GIVING

Budget

Weekly Need \$ 7,204.86
Given \$ 8,956.00
Behind \$ 4,187.23

Other Funds

Youth Fund \$ 543.00

ATTENDANCE

CentTered Service 62
Traditional Worship 234
Total Worship 296
Sunday School 166

Cemetery Fund \$ 50.00

Center United Methodist Church

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Center United Methodist Church

Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor

Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday

May 20, 2018

11:00 AM

Nursery with pagers available

Greetings and Announcements

Tim Williams, Lay Leader

Prelude

Marty Stanbery

Lighting of the Christ Candles

Kate Anderson

Presentation of God's Holy Word

Lilly Leonard

Entering of the Cross of Christ

Will Anderson

***Greeting with the Love of Christ**

The People

Greet those sitting nearest to you in Love – especially those you do not know!

***Hymn No. 577**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Bring Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Center Offering to the Altar

Acknowledging Attendance: Pew Pads and First Time Attendants

Voices of the Children

“If You Can Sing Along”

Children's Choir

Children's Time

Richard Bates

Following Children's Time, children K-2nd grade may go to Children's Church

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Conor Noel

Offertory

“Jesus My Friend Melody”

Chancel Choir

***Hymn No. 558**

“We Are the Church”

Reading of the Word

Matthew 6:9-13

Rev. Mitch Wilson

Preaching of the Word

“Watch Your Back”

Rev. Mitch Wilson

***Hymn 328**

“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

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Confirmation and Baptismal Covenant

Caiden Bean, Amelia Brinkley, Mycah Kepley, Ethan Snyder and Raquelle Whittington

***Hymn of Dedication No. 393**

“Spirit of the Living God”

The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

***Christ's Light and Cross into the World**

Kate Anderson and Will Anderson

***Dismissal with Blessing**

***Postlude**

Marty Stanbery

*Congregation Stands

WELCOME

We welcome you to our church! If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here and ask that you give your name, address, and phone number by filling out a Visitor's Card found on the back of each pew and placing it in the offering plate as it is passed. If you do not have a church home, we cordially invite you to share in the life of this congregation.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

GREETERS

Today – Chris and Stacie Michael

Bob and Toby Fox

Next Sunday – Leroy and Frances Kiger

Carroll and Karen Tysinger

ACOLYTE

Today – Kate Anderson

Next Sunday – Hadley Smith

BIBLE BEARER

Today – Lilly Leonard

Next Sunday – Chase Fountain

CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER

Today – Will Anderson

Next Sunday – Nicholas Brauser

CHILDREN'S TIME

Today – Richard Bates

Next Sunday – Sunday School Showcase

DOORSTEP VISITATION

Today – Bud and Jean Sink

Next Sunday – Jim and Anita Scott

USHERS

Today – Tad Leonard (Head)

Monty Pendry, Lee Sadler,

Jim Scott, Dean Slabach

Next Sunday – Tad Leonard (Head)

Blake Smith, John Snyder,

Wayne Snyder, Gregg Stabler

INFANT NURSERY

Today – Parenting Nursery

Next Sunday – Parenting Nursery

TODDLER NURSERY

Today – Jennifer Kurtzman and

Wendy Talley

Next Sunday – Karri Hollingsworth and

Wendy Talley

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today – Sarah Williams

Next Sunday – Ruby Combs & Glenda Stabler

EARLY SERVICE NURSERY

Today – Lucinda Black

Next Sunday – Amy Brauser

SAFE SANCTUARY

Children remain in the Sanctuary during Worship or with our trained teachers in Children's Church. Children are not permitted to sit in empty classrooms or roam the hall without adult supervision.

MISSION OFFERINGS

First Sunday - **Community Mission Offering**

Second Sunday - **Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering**

Third & Fourth Sundays - **Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Center**

Fifth Sunday – **Crisis Ministry Cash Offering**

Audio CDs of the worship service are available at the mailboxes in the hallway.

**RECENT JOYS AT CENTER UMC TO BE
THANKFUL FOR:**

- Welcome Marty Stanbery back as an interim accompanist. Let's give her a huge Center welcome back to help us during this time.
- A big thank you to Charles Kepley and his sidekick, Molly Long, for getting our information signs hanging on both sides of the altar repaired and working!
- Thank you to our members for the nice love offering and send off to Bethany Burgess and her lovely family as they begin their new ministry in their new location. We collected \$832.00 for Bethany and this was a huge help in their move.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

The altar flowers are placed in the church today to the Glory of God and in honor of Alison Brinkley and Charles Michael on their wedding day, May 19. Congratulations with love from Mom and Dad.

**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE
GRADUATES (AND PARENTS)!**

Sunday, June 3rd is graduation Sunday and we desperately need your survey information. Please go to the church website, <http://centermethodistwelcome.org>

- Go to the Events tab and click on Current Events
- Scroll down and click on Graduate Questionnaire if you have any problems please contact Jennifer Brinkley: prayin4you@gmail.com or Debbie Williams: twilliams28@triad.rr.com

We need this information as soon as possible please. Thank you!!!

All events are listed on the calendar. Formal announcements must be given to the church office. Ongoing events will be listed as scheduled unless changes are given to the church office.

Joys and Concerns for May 20

Prayer Concerns and Updates

- Dan and Shannon Maloy – Prayer for recruiting efforts to upcoming conferences and mission trips that will help the students grow in their faith and ministry skills
- Josh and Kristie Aberle – Prayers for their serving God in their village and for their new baby
- Gerald Wimmer (Bob Wimmer's Son) – Scheduled for esophagus surgery May 29 at Baptist Hospital
- Carroll Tysinger – Surgery for pain relief scheduled for Thursday, May 24
- Becky Wassum – Recovering from recent heart stent placement
- Mary Jane Leonard – Recovering from back surgery
- Roger Berrier – Recovering at home from artery bypass surgery in his leg
- Richard Mendenhall – Recovering at home from insertion of a pacemaker
- Jean Teague (Martha Varner's Sister) – Diagnosed with a tumor in her left lung
- June Smith – Continuing to improve
- Dot Craver – Continuing to improve at home
- Katy Culler – Continued prayers for severe blockage of carotid arteries and surgery not an option
- Bob and Crissy Wagner – Home health care needs
- Chris Briggs (Wayne Briggs's Brother) - Cancer has returned
- Laura Cecil Laws – Recovering slowly and continuing rehab
- Diane Whitley – (Don's wife) Please remember her and Don in prayer as she struggles with ongoing health issues
- Bill and Pansy Trantham (Per Barbara Kesler) – Health concerns and aging
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco's Son-in-Law) – Dialysis and waiting on kidney transplant
- Mark Connell (Faye Sambleson's Brother) – Still undergoing chemo
- Paul Stevens (Steve and Molly Long's Friend) – Return of cancer and undergoing chemo

SHUT-INS AT HOME

- Ann Clodfelter
- Dot Craver
- Mozelle Koontz
- Bill & Sherry Lanier
- Betty Laws
- Charles and Bonnie Minter, 199 Heritage Drive, Lexington, NC 27295
- Bruce and Betty Regan
- Treavie Weaver

REST HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING

- Marian Funderburk – Arbor Acres
- Don Grubb – Grayson Creek, Room 203
- Joy Jones - Elkin Assisted Living, Room 121
- Tony Koontz – Spring Arbor, Room 204
- June Smith – Piedmont Crossing Retirement, Room 330

IN THE MILITARY

- Aaron Kepley
- Aaron Lineberry

NOTE: Please fill out a "Prayer Request" card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate or into the pastor's hand.

DAILY UPDATES

Please check e-news for updates on joys, concerns, and announcements. If you do not receive daily e-news, contact Henrietta Hayes to be added at hhayes.eneews@gmail.com or cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com

**SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE WEDNESDAY
AT 9:00 AM**

**THE FLOWER CALENDAR HAS LOTS
OF BLANK SUNDAYS**

Please fill in the Sundays you will be putting flowers on the Altar. The information for the Sunday bulletin should be given to Joyce Rector by email cumcw.aa@gmail.com, by note or by phone (336-731-6616) the week before the flowers are to be placed in the church.

THIS WEEK AT CENTER

Sunday (May 20) – Pentecost

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service – Confirmation Sunday
12:00 PM Sunday Servings (CFC)
3-5:00 PM JAM Kids (Basement)
3-5:00 PM JOY Kids (CFC)
5:00 PM COM Meeting (FH)
6:00 PM Admin Board Mtg. (FH)
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

Monday (May 21) – Newsletter Deadline

2-5:00 PM Meals of Love (CFC-Kitchen)
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday (May 22)

6:00 PM Threads of Love (FH)

Wednesday (May 23)

5:30 PM {Praise Team Practice (Sanctuary)
6:30 PM Youth (MoJoe Coffee House)
6:30 PM Children's Choir Practice
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday (May 24)

6:15 PM American Heritage Girls (FH)

Next Sunday (May 27)-Sunday School Showcase

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service – Sunday School Showcase
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

MEMORY AND HONOR

In Honor of Becky Wassum
Cemetery Fund
Goodwill Sunday School Class

WELCOME OUR NEW CONFIRMANDS TO CENTER!

Center would like to welcome our five new confirmands into full membership today. They have completed all the requirements well and attended the classes and some attended a retreat just for them. This is an important part of our growth as we see these young people serve and attend faithfully. We need to stand behind them and encourage them to be a vital part of worship and service. As they declare their intention to live out the vows of the baptismal covenant, our congregation can take this time to celebrate these young people's commitment to live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ and to renew your commitment to do the same.

TRUSTEE MEETING

The trustees will meet Wednesday, May 30, at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

SHOW YOUR LOVE TO OUR NEW CONFIRMANDS

A bag is placed on the altar with each confirmand's name on it. We are asking for the congregation to write a note of encouragement to the confirmands. If you write one, please write to each confirmand. Place your notes in the specific bag today, May 20. They will be given to the confirmands. Please help make this day special. The new confirmands are: Caiden Bean, Amelia Brinkley, Mycah Kepley, Ethan Snyder and Raquelle Whittington.

THREADS OF LOVE, TUESDAY, MAY 22, AT 6:00 PM

Threads of Love will meet Tuesday, May 22, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please come and join us as we finish up the fidget lap quilts and toboggans.

We will take the summer months off, but hope to see you at the September gathering!

VBS NEEDS CAMP LANTERNS:

VBS is looking for CAMP LANTERNS to borrow or for donation. Oil will need to be removed for use. Remember, VBS is July 15-19. You can PRE-REGISTER to volunteer or attend at:

<https://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/CUMCWelcomeNC>



Small Toys and Balls NEEDED FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The American Heritage Girls, the Scouts, and the Youth are teaming up for a great cause! This year, for Operation Christmas Child, the three groups are asking for your help. Each month we are asking for donations of certain items to help fill the boxes. For the month of May, we are asking for small toys and balls for boys or girls that can fit in shoeboxes.

(Examples are: toy cars, travel games, small balls, small baby dolls, pretend wands, dress up jewelry for girls, etc)

We will have a bin at the narthex in the CFC as well as the sanctuary. After receiving the different items each month, we hope to have a large amount of items to be able to pack. In November, we will host a packing night for the entire church to come, fellowship and pack the donated items. Then the Youth will go and deliver all the boxes. Please note: we will still offer boxes for you to take home as well in fall. This is a great opportunity for the scouting programs and the Youth to come together with our church family for a great cause! We will keep you updated monthly on what items are needed next. Thank you for your support and please contact Angie Leonard or Hunter Duncan with any questions.

SUNDAY SERVINGS-TODAY

The Goodwill Sunday School Class is having Sunday Servings today, May 20, in the Christian Fellowship Center immediately following this morning worship service. The menu is ham, green beans, creamed potatoes, deviled eggs, rolls, desserts and tea. Cost will be \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under. Plan to stay and eat with your church family.

