

SERMON TEXT FOR TODAY: What if everyone served just like me?

Ephesians 5:1-2 NIV

Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

"MEET & GREET"-SUNDAY, AUGUST 26-CFC-4 to 5 PM

The Staff Parrish will host a "Meet and Greet" for our new Music Director/Praise Team Leader, Karen Stutzman, on Sunday, August 26, in the Christian Fellowship Center from 4 PM to 5 PM. Light refreshments will be served.

STEWARDSHIP –AUGUST 12, 2018

GIVING

Budget

Weekly Need	\$ 7,204.86
Given	\$ 8,600.00
Ahead	\$ 1,182.24

Other Funds

Kitchen	\$ 250.00
Youth Fund	\$ 2,560.00

ATTENDANCE

CenTered Service	67
Traditional Worship	176
Total Worship	243
Sunday School	175

Community Mission Fund	\$ 50.00
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Center United Methodist Church

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SEEK - LEARN - FULFILL - SHARE

Center United Methodist Church

Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 19, 2018

11:00 AM

Nursery with pagers available

Greeting and Announcements

Tim Williams, Lay Leader

Prelude

"Precious Memories"

J. C. Johnson

Lighting of the Christ Candles

Hamilton Kepley

Presentation of God's Holy Word

Katlyn Leonard

Entering of the Cross of Christ

Aubrey Adkins

*Greeting with the Love of Christ

The People

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

*Hymn No. 715

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

Bud Sink

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

Acknowledging Attendance - Pew Pads and First Time Attendants

Children's Time

Jennifer Brinkley

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

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"How Great Thou Art" & When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder" J. C. Johnson

*Hymn No. 408

"The Gift of Love"

Bud Sink

Reading of the Word

Ephesians 5:1-2 NIV

Rev. Mitch Wilson

Preaching of the Word

"What if everyone served just like me?"

Rev. Mitch Wilson

*Hymn of Dedication No. 420

"Breathe on Me Breath of God"

Bud Sink

The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

*Christ's Light and Cross into the World

Hamilton Kepley and Aubrey Adkins

*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 – Hamilton Kepley

Next Sunday – Isabelle Johnson

BIBLE BEARER

Today – Katlyn Leonard

Next Sunday – Morgan Wood

CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER

Today – Aubrey Adkins

Next Sunday – Lilly Leonard

CHILDREN'S TIME

Today – Jennifer Brinkley

Next Sunday – Steve Long

DOORSTEP VISITATION

Today – Dean and Martha Slabach

Next Sunday – Carroll and Karen Tysinger

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.

USHERS

Today – Gregg Stabler (Head)

Chase Leonard, Dyke Leonard,

Jimmy Leonard, Kenneth Leonard

Next Sunday – Gregg Stabler (Head)

Mike Leonard, Tad Leonard,

Tony Leonard, Rod Loflin

INFANT NURSERY

Today – Parenting Nursery

Next Sunday – Parenting Nursery

TODDLER NURSERY

Today – Amy Adkins & Reida Snyder

Next Sunday – Beth Wilson & Reida Snyder

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today – Sarah Williams

Next Sunday – Ruby Combs & Glenda Stabler

EARLY SERVICE NURSERY

Today – Danielle Herron

Next Sunday – Lucinda Black

CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES THIS WEDNESDAY!

Please join us this Wednesday, August 22 at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary for choir practice. Our new music director, Karen Stutzman, will be leading and we will plan to sing next Sunday (8/26) during worship. Everyone is invited, whether you have been in the choir recently or not, so come make a joyful noise with us! *If choir is not your "thing", but you would like to be involved in music in another way (praise team, hand bells, etc.), please contact Karen so she knows of your interest!

SYMPATHY:

Betty Laws passed away Tuesday, August 14, at Forsyth Hospital. At Betty's request, no formal services will be held. The family will receive friends at the home of her daughter, Kim Black, 215 Bent Pine Road, Thomasville, NC, 27360, on Saturday, August 18, from 2 to 4 PM Please remember Betty's family in your thoughts and prayers during this time.

**CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
PROPERTY FOR SALE**

LOCATION: Davidson County, Anne Street, Lexington, NC, in Choyce Acres off Walser Road
19 lots (2 Acres)
Tax Value: \$37,280.00
Yearly Tax: \$283.00
CUMC Trustees have approved to lower the price to \$20,000.00.
If you or anyone you may know is interested in the purchase of this land, please contact Trustees' Chair, Tommy Henderson, at 336-242-3890.

*To Thank Each One of You, Our Church Family!
Knowing people nice as you gives life a brighter touch, and so, to each and all of you - thanks very, very much!*

*The Bill Thompson Family
James & Darlene, Bobby,
Chyde & Darlene
David & Kathy*

**Joys and Concerns
for August 19**

Prayer Concerns and Updates

- Dan and Shannon Maloy – Prayer for Dan & other team leaders as they guide our team into launching ministry this fall, especially with fewer staff resources to coach each campus and to labor with integrity and for continued growth as a couple.
- Josh and Kristie Aberle – Prayers for fruit of their labor as they serve God in their village and for their baby to grow healthy and strong
- Dustin and Faith Minter – Prayers to raise their support to be able to go Macedonia to share the gospel with the children
- Max Leonard – Admitted to ICU at Forsyth Hospital
- Bill Lanier – Admitted to Forsyth Hospital
- Mary Sue Martin – Prayers for continued healing from surgery for colon cancer
- Herb Snyder – Receiving physical therapy
- Randy Story – Recovering at home
- Lois Weaver – Receiving physical therapy at home and gaining strength slowly
- Gerald Wimmer (Bob Wimmer's Son) – Slowly recovering from recent esophagus surgery
- Katy Culler – Continued prayers for inoperable artery blockages and mitral valve leakage
- Kitty Minter – Health issues
- Marlene Wood – Prayer for recovery from surgery Friday
- Kim Dorton – Serious health issues
- Jean Teague (Martha Varner's Sister) – Diagnosed with a tumor in her left lung
- Bob and Crissy Wagner – Health concerns
- Chris Briggs (Wayne Briggs's Brother) - Cancer has returned
- 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
- Charles and Bonnie Minter
- 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

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.

Thank you!

**Want to thank all the church for visits, cards and prayers during the loss of my brother, Don Shaw.
Glenda Stabler**

THIS WEEK AT CENTER

Sunday (August 19)

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
3-5:00 PM JOY Kids (CFC)
4:00 PM Youth Council (Old Sign In Room)
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)

Monday (August 20)-NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

Wednesday (August 22)

6:00 PM Youth (MoJoe's)
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Next Sunday (August 26)

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
6:00 PM Youth

MEMORY AND HONOR

In Memory of Bill Thompson

Budget Fund

Bud and Jean Sink
Jimmy and Brenda Leonard
Pete and Rita Jones
Barbara Everhart

YADKIN VALLEY DISTRICT EVENTS

October 18 – Fall Day Apart at First UMC in Pilot Mountain

December 8, 2018 – Christmas day trip to see “The Real Christmas Story” at the Narrowway Theatre in Fort Mill, SC. The cost is \$73.00 per person and includes the motor coach, lunch, and show.

Registration deadline is November 15.

For any questions, please contact Rev. Dwight

Cartner at 336-248-4520 or 336-242-8518

DAY OF SACRIFICE, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Mark your calendar for a Day of Sacrifice on Sunday, September 23.

To insure safety at Center, the Trustee Committee has assembled a list of items that we need to complete to implement a safe place to worship:

- 1. Crash bars and closers on nine doors.**
- 2. Update our fire alarm system.**
- 3. Install a parking lot camera system.**
- 4. Update lighting in hallway areas and classrooms.**

The cost of these projects will be approximately \$30,000.00 and will be completed in the order listed above. As the money is given, these items will be paid from the Facility Repair Fund. Please designate your giving to the Facility Repair Fund.

THREADS OF LOVE – FH – TUESDAY, AUGUST 28 – 6:00 PM

Threads of Love will meet Tuesday, August 28, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please come join us as we begin our next mission project, which is making children's pillow cases for Brenner's Children Hospital. Also, toboggans will continue to be made!! Bring a snack to share and join us! Even if you don't sew, we could use your help in cutting and pressing fabrics.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES 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 August, we are asking for school items for boys and girls of all ages. These items may include: coloring pads, coloring books, picture books, glue stick (Do not include liquid glue), small adhesive tape, watercolor set, [finger paint palette/crayons/markers] non-liquid containers, scissors, erasers, notebooks, paper.. 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.

Friedberg Moravian Church 6th annual indoor tag sale is Thursday, Friday and Saturday (August 23, 24 & 25). They are located at 2178 Friedberg Church Road, Winston-Salem, NC. For more information, please see the notice on the bulletin board in the narthex.

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS SCOUTING TROOP (AHG)-SIGN UP NOW

All girls ages 5-18 sign up now for this scouting program here at Center UMC starting this month. Our parent information night is Thursday, August 30 at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. AGH will meet every Thursday from 6:15-8:00 PM starting this month for the 2018-2019 program year. Please contact Angie Leonard at 336-250-7033 if you have any questions.

CUMC AND SCOUT VAN AND BUS DRIVERS

If you are an approved driver for the van or bus, please email to cumcw.aa@gmail.com or drop off a copy of your current driver's license to the church office during office hours so we can update our current files.

If we don't have a copy of your Drivers License by the end of August 31, 2018 you will be ineligible to drive the Bus or Van, until July 2019 next year. Our Insurance company requires this information. Please comply with this request. Thank you

YOUTH EVENT

August 25, 2018, youth will be attending Faith Fest at Wilkes Community College. Casting Crowns, Mandisa, Jordan Feliz and Jason Crabb will be performing along with several smaller acts. Gates open at 1:00 PM. Performances start at 2:00 PM and end at 10:30 PM.

Please sign up with Hunter at any youth meeting before Wed. August 21, 2018, so that transportation plans can be made.