

SERMON TEXT FOR TODAY: Found Faithful
I Corinthians 4:1-5 NIV

This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do not even judge myself. My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore judge nothing before the appointed time; wait until the Lord comes. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. At that time each will receive their praise from God.

CUMC REVIVAL – NOVEMBER 4, 5, 6, 7
Nightly at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary
START PRAYING NOW & MAKE PLANS TO COME

STEWARDSHIP –SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

GIVING

Budget

Weekly Need \$ 7,204.86
Given \$ 5,219.00
Behind \$ 5,917.40

Other Funds

Facility Repair \$ 550.00

ATTENDANCE

Centered Service 67
Traditional Worship 200
Total Worship 267
Sunday School 204

Center United Methodist Church

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SEEK - LEARN - FULFILL - SHARE

Center United Methodist Church
Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor
Day of Sacrifice Sunday
September 23, 2018

11:00 AM **Nursery with pagers available**

Greeting and Announcements Tim Williams, Lay Leader

Prelude Marty Stanbery
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Lighting of the Christ Candles Aubrey Adkins
Presentation of God’s Holy Word Quinn Talley
Entering of the Cross of Christ Autumn Johnson

***Greeting with the Love of Christ** The People
Greet those sitting nearest to you in Love – especially those you do not know!

***Hymn No. 98** Karen Stutzman
“To God Be the Glory”
Please Bring Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Center Offering to the Altar
Acknowledging Attendance - Pew Pads and First Time Attendants

Children’s Time Margaret Story
Following Children’s Time, children K-2nd grade may go to Children’s Church

Prayer of the People
Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Chancel Choir
“Down by the Riverside”

***Hymn No. 600** Karen Stutzman
“Wonderful Words of Life”

***The Reading of the Word** Rev. Mitch Wilson
I Corinthians 4:1-5 NIV
The Preaching of the Word Rev. Mitch Wilson
“Found Faithful”

Dedication of Day of Sacrifice Offering

***Hymn of Dedication No. 140** Karen Stutzman
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

***Christ’s Light and Cross into the World** Aubrey Adkins and Autumn Johnson
***Dismissal with Blessing** Pastor Mitch Wilson
***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 – Pete and Rita Jones
Ed and Becky Wassum
Next Sunday – Bud and Jean Sink
Klynt and Gayle Nifong

ACOLYTE

Today – Aubrey Adkins
Next Sunday – Mycah Kepley

BIBLE BEARER

Today – Quinn Talley
Next Sunday – Cora & Ann Marie Kurtzman

CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER

Today – Autumn Johnson
Next Sunday – Isabelle Johnson

CHILDREN’S TIME

Today – Margaret Story
Next Sunday – Homecoming

DOORSTEP VISITATION

Today – Ed and Becky Wassum
Next Sunday – Lanny and Vicky Sink

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 – Gray Boger (Head)
Lee Sadler, Jim Scott,
Dean Slabach, Blake Smith
Next Sunday – Gray Boger (Head)
Gregg Stabler, Craig Thrift,
Jack thrift, Britt Wagner

INFANT NURSERY

Today – Parenting Nursery
Next Sunday – Parenting Nursery

TODDLER NURSERY

Today – Dawn Essick & Tina Fulcher
Next Sunday – Debbie Wood and Tina Fulcher

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Today – Ruby Combs & Glenda Stabler
Next Sunday – Angie Leonard and Mitzi Tesh

EARLY SERVICE NURSERY

Today – Dawn Essick
Next Sunday – Homecoming

Joys and Concerns for September 23

RECENT JOYS TO BE THANKFUL FOR:

- Praise to God for the hurricane, Florence, not coming into our area as the original forecast predicted but that it lessened in strength. Prayer for those who lost lives and property in other areas of North and South Carolina.
- New class began last Sunday with 21 in attendance. Tim and Debbie Williams invite you to attend if you are not currently attending a class. They meet in the Old Sign In Room.
- The trustees along with volunteers have been installing new door lock systems throughout the church. Your giving at work! A big thank you to all these workers.
- A big welcome to Marty Stanbery as our official accompanist. Center has completed the staff with the hiring of Marty. She has faithfully served as accompanist through the changes in staff for which Center is very grateful. Please let Marty know how happy you are to have her on board officially.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and in honor of Lois Weaver's 95th birthday tomorrow, September 24, by her loving family.

SYMPATHY:

Barbara Johnson's nephew, Darrell Leonard, who was a tree trimmer and hospitalized in Jacksonville, NC, with serious injuries from a fall last week, passed away on Monday, September 17, after being on life support for several days. Please remember his family especially his wife at this time.

TRUSTEE MEETING

The trustees will meet Wednesday, September 26, at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Prayer Concerns and Updates

- Dan and Shannon Maloy – Pray that God would use “tabling” pizza outreaches, club fairs and the like to intercept students with the Gospel and change their lives for eternity.
- Josh and Kristie Aberle – Security is getting tighter and the tension is felt by all. Pray especially for local teammates to be full of boldness and not fear.
- Dustin and Faith Minter – Praise & prayers God has provided 89% of their start up fund & 39% of their monthly funding to go Macedonia
- Max Leonard – Continue to pray for recovery at home
- Frances Kiger – Recovering at home following rehab
- Paul & Nichole Koontz (Via Tony & Karen Koontz) – Their unborn daughter will face heart surgery within a week of her birth this fall.
- Nancy Marlow (Lisa Bates's Mother) – Is currently in Moses Cone with serious health issues
- Jerry (Doc) Cecil (Rita Wood's Brother) – Stage 4 metastatic adrenal gland cancer & taking immune therapy
- Herb Snyder – Is at home now with Advanced Health Care
- Lois Weaver – Finished therapy and gaining strength slowly
- Katy Culler – Continued prayers for inoperable artery blockages and mitral valve leakage
- Kitty Minter – Serious health issues
- Marlene Wood – Prayer for upcoming procedure
- Kim Dorton – Serious health issues
- Jean Teague (Martha Varner's Sister) – Diagnosed with a tumor in her left lung
- Bob & Crissy Wagner – Health concerns
- Chris Briggs (Wayne Briggs's Brother) - Cancer has returned
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco's Son-in-Law) – Dialysis and waiting on kidney transplant
- Mark Connell (Faye Sableson'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 – Patriot Living, P. O. Box 759, Yadkinville, NC 27055 PLEASE NOTE CHANGE
- Tony Koontz – Spring Arbor, Room 204

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

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.

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

THIS WEEK AT CENTER

Sunday (September 23) – Day of Sacrifice

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

Monday (September 24)

2:00 PM Meals of Love (CFC Kitchen)
5-9:00 PM Family Night Volleyball (CFC)
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday (September 25)

3-9:00 PM Pickin' & Grinnin' Set Up and Practice (CFC)
7:00 PM threads of Love (FH)

Wednesday (September 26)

6:00 PM Praise Team Practice (CFC)
6:30 PM Youth (CFC)
7:00 Pm Youth Parents Meeting about Mission Trip (CFC)
6:30 PM Children's Choir Practice
7:00 PM Chancel Choir
7:00 PM Trustees Meeting (FH)

Thursday (September 27)

3-6:00 PM Pickin' & Grinnin' Set Up (CFC)
6:00 PM Hot Dog Supper (CFC)
6:15-9:00 PM AHG (Basement) Parents (FH)
7:00 PM Pickin' & Grinnin' (CFC)

Next Sunday (September 30) - Homecoming

9:45 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Combined Homecoming Service (Sanctuary)
12:00 PM Youth leave for Hanging Rock
12:00 PM Covered Dish Meal (CFC)
6:00 PM Youth
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

MEMORY AND HONOR

In Memory of June Smith

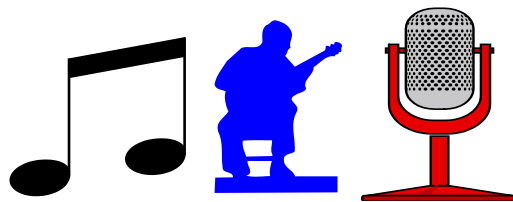
Budget Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Sink
Bud and Jean Sink
Dottie Wilkes
Henrietta Hayes
Jim and Anita Scott

In Memory of Bill Thompson

Budget Fund

Jim and Anita Scott



Pickin' & Grinnin' at Center

Come join us for an evening of Pickin' & Grinnin' in the

Christian Fellowship Center on

Thursday, September 27, at 7:00 PM

A Hot Dog Meal will be sold for \$5 starting at 6:00 pm

The Offering this month will be given to:

The West Davidson Food Pantry

DAY OF SACRIFICE, TODAY, 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*.

HOW DO I JOIN CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH?

Several times each year, a class is scheduled. We are calling it "A Taste of Center". During the sessions, we will have the opportunity to meet the church staff and build relationship with others who are new to Center. We will also discuss what it means to live faithfully as a follower of Jesus. We will dive deeper into our own faith walk and have the opportunity to join the family of God at Center. Membership is a joy and a responsibility to our Lord and one another. The next class will begin Sunday, October 14, during the Sunday School hour and meet in the library.

CUMC HOMECOMING – SEPTEMBER 30

On Sunday, September 30, Center will be having our Homecoming Celebration with guest speaker, Rev. Clay Morgan! Make your plans now to come and be a part of this annual time of remembrance and fellowship. The worship service will be held in the Sanctuary at 10:30 AM and is a combined service with the CenTered Service joining the regular worship service. Please remember to bring a well filled covered dish basket to share during the meal in the CFC following the service. This is a time of remembrance and fellowship with our church family.

GAMES 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 September, we are asking for small games for boys and girls of all ages. These items may include: Uno cards, go fish, old maid, travel games, 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. On November 15 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, 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.

THREADS OF LOVE NEWS

Threads of Love will meet Tuesday, September 25 at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Projects include, pillowcases for Brenner's Children Hospital, backpacks for Jamaica and toboggans for Cancer Center and Homeless Shelter. Please join the group as we work on our mission projects!!

RESCHEDULED ADULT SENIOR EVENT FOR OCTOBER 5!

Charles and Shirley will be hosting our September Senior Event at their home on the lake! On October 5th, we will have a Low Country Boil and plan to eat between 5 & 6:00 PM.

Following will be jug fishing for all who love to jug for catfish! If the catch is good....we will have a fish fry on Saturday at 12:00 featuring fried catfish, hushpuppies, slaw and chips. (Maybe even a dessert or two).

Remember, the low country boil is shrimp, sausage, potatoes and corn on the cob. Folks, it just doesn't get any better than this! Whew, be there or be square.