

**SERMON TEXT FOR TODAY: A Humble Spirit**

**Philippians 2:1-4 NIV**

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

**STEWARDSHIP – JANUARY 6, 2019**

**GIVING**

<b>Budget</b>	
Weekly Need	\$ 7,631.56
Given	\$ 7,479.00
Behind	\$ 152.56

**ATTENDANCE**

Centred	75
Worship Service	198
Total	273
Sunday School	181

**Other Funds**

Mission Team Fund	\$ 25.00	Youth Mission Trip	\$ 338.00
Community Mission Fund	\$154.00		

**Center United Methodist Church**

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**SEEK - LEARN - FULFILL - SHARE**

Center United Methodist Church  
Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor  
First Sunday After the Epiphany  
January 13, 2019

11:00 AM

Nursery with pagers available

**Prelude** "Let All Things Now Living" Marty Stanbery  
**Greeting and Announcements** Richard Bates, Lay Leader  
**Presentations:** UMW Gift to Mission Award & Lifetime Membership Award -Debbie Williams  
**Call to Worship** Marty Stanbery  
PRESENTATION of the LIGHT of CHRIST Lilly Leonard  
The Gift of God's HOLY WORD Karis Koontz  
The Marvelous CROSS of CHRIST Sophia Johnson

**\*GREETING and SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST** The People

**\*HYMN NO. 581** "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" Karen Stutzman  
Please Bring Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering to the Altar

**Registration of Attendance**  
**Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS and PRAYER**

**VOICES OF THE CHILDREN** "He is the King of Kings" Children's Choir  
**CHILDREN'S TIME** Anna Shillinglaw  
Following Children's Time, children K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade may go to Children's Church

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**  
**OFFERTORY** "A Welcome Place" Chancel Choir  
**\*DOXOLOGY PAGE NO. 95** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Karen Stutzman  
**\*HYMN NO. 2176** (The Faith We Sing) "Make Me a Servant" Karen Stutzman

**\*The Reading of the Word** *Philippians 2:1-4 NIV* Rev. Mitch Wilson  
**The Preaching of the Word** *A Humble Spirit* Rev. Mitch Wilson  
**Commissioning to Short-Term Service in Jamaica** (See Insert)

**\*HYMN of COMMITMENT NO. 577** "God of Grace and God of Glory" Karen Stutzman  
The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

**\*CHRIST'S LIGHT and CROSS of CHRIST GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD**  
Lilly Leonard and Sophia Johnson

**\*BLESSING** Rev. 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 – Charles and Vickey Kepley  
Gray and Barbara Boger  
Next Sunday – Gregg and Glenda Stabler  
Richard and Terri Bates

**ACOLYTE**

Today – Lilly Leonard  
Next Sunday – Graylin Snyder

**BIBLE BEARER**

Today – Karis Koontz  
Next Sunday – Quinn Talley

**CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER**

Today – Sophia Johnson  
Next Sunday – Gracin Hill

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Today – Anna Shillinglaw  
Next Sunday – Dawn Essick

**DOORSTEP VISITATION**

Today – Aaron Whitfield  
Next Sunday – Charles and Shirley Richardson

**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**

**USHERS**

Today – Rocky Hedrick (Head)  
Duff Michael, Charlie Minter,  
Kent Nifong, Nathan Nifong  
Next Sunday – Rocky Hedrick (Head)  
Klynt Nifong, Monty Pendry,  
Lee Sadler, Jim Scott

**INFANT NURSERY**

Today – Parenting Nursery  
Next Sunday – Parenting Nursery

**TODDLER NURSERY**

Today – Jennifer Kurtzman & Reida Snyder  
Next Sunday – Anna Evans and Reida Snyder

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Today – Tina Fulcher & Karri Hollingsworth  
Next Sunday – Angie Leonard & Mitzi Tesh

**EARLY SERVICE NURSERY**

Today – Cindy Leonard  
Next Sunday – Angie Leonard

**RECENT JOYS TO BE THANKFUL FOR:**

- S.F.C. Jared Robbins graduated from the University of Alabama Magna Cum Laude on December 15, 2018 with a Bachelor Degree in Human and Environmental Science. Jared is serving in the U.S. Army. His proud grandmother is Ann Robbins.

**SYMPATHY:**

Wayne's mother, Mary Rose Snyder, passed away peacefully on the evening of January 9. Thank you for all the prayers that lifted her gently into God's Arms. Wayne and Reida Snyder.

**PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES!**

- Dan and Shannon Maloy (with CRU on College Campuses in the low country) – Lord willing, we're leading the Cru summer mission to Ecuador in 2019! In addition to partnering with national Cru staff to launch long-term movements in the country, we'll prayerfully explore whether Ecuador will be an ongoing sending location for our campuses. Please pray for us as we begin to recruit our team, go to team leader training in January, and plan all aspects of the mission over the spring semester. We also need prayers that the logistics involved in taking our children overseas for 6 weeks will all work out!
- Josh and Kristie Aberle – Thank you so much for your love and support over the last year! We are so excited to reconnect with many of you over the next few months and are so grateful for your partnership in reaching the B people and other unreached peoples of SE Asia. Please be in prayer for our family during this transition to another area in SE Asia and for all the logistics involved in this international move involving three different countries.
- Dustin and Faith Minter – Prayers that we can learn and grow together as a team and all be known by His love throughout Bitola, Macedonia. Prayers for our continued transition of moving to another country, language and cultural acquisition and that God's peace extends to all borders around us and no matter what the decision around the name change is – that His love is known.

**On Going Prayer Concerns for January 13:**

- Bob & Crissy Wagner
- Kathy Johnson Tollie (J C Johnson's Daughter)
- Elwood Blackmon
- Don Edwards (Charles Richardson's Cousin)
- Brian Grubb (Joy Jones's Brother)
- Kim Dorton
- Ann Epps (Friend of Charles and Shirley Richardson)
- Margaret Story
- Randy Story
- Kathy Kepley – Home
- Rick Moser
- Katy Culler
- Nancy Lanier
- Jerry (Doc) Cecil (Rita Wood's Brother)
- Kitty Minter
- Jean Teague (Martha Varner's Sister)
- Chris Briggs (Wayne Briggs's Brother)
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco's Son-in-Law)
- Mark Connell (Faye Sambleson's Brother)
- Paul Stevens (Steve and Molly Long's Friend)

**KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY**

**Kairos is our prison ministry. Search your hearts and pray for our participants. Give your donations to help this powerful ministry. Donation buckets will be placed at each side of the Narthex. Please make checks payable to CUMC with Kairos in the memo. \$5.00 meal tickets will be sold up until February 27. We need to collect as many cookies as we can from Sunday School Classes and groups who are willing to bake to take to the prison. Pastor Eddie has Arcadia UMC helping to meet this important goal. Thank you now for giving and participating in the ministry.**

**THREADS OF LOVE**

*Threads of love will not meet in January. We will resume gathering in February.*

**SHUT-INS AT HOME**

Ann Clodfelter  
Dot Craver  
Mozelle Koontz  
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  
Tony Koontz – Spring Arbor, Room 204  
Bill Lanier – Brookdale Lexington, 161 Young Drive, Room 409, Lexington, NC 27292  
Nancy Marlow (Lisa Bates' Mother)  
Jewell McDade – Grayson Creek. Room 404, 6781 Old Hwy. 52, Lexington, NC 27295

**IN THE MILITARY**

Aaron Kepley

Aaron Lineberry

**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](mailto:cumcw.aa@gmail.com), by note or by phone (336-731-6616) the week before the flowers are to be placed in the church.

*Only one family has signed up for 2019!!!!!!  
Your help in this ministry is most appreciated.*

**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](mailto:hhayes.eneews@gmail.com) or [cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com](mailto:cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com)

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

## THIS WEEK AT CENTER

### Sunday (January 13) – Commissioning Team

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship Service  
5:00 PM COM Meeting (FH)  
6:00 PM Admin. Board Meeting (FH)  
6:00 PM Youth  
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

### Monday (January 14)

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

### Wednesday (January 16)-Mission Team Leaves

All Day – Youth Cooking Chickens (CFC-Kitchen)  
6:00 PM – Children’s Com. Meeting (FH)  
6:00 PM Praise Team  
6:00 PM Youth Cooking Chickens (CFC Kitchen)  
6:30 PM Children’s Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice

### Thursday (January 17)

6-9:00 PM AHG Family Game Night (FH)

### Friday (January 18)

All Day – Youth Chicken Stew Fund Raiser (CFC-Kitchen)  
5:00 PM JOY Kids Lock-In (CFC)

### Saturday (January 19)

7:30 AM JOY Kids Lock-In Ends (CFC)  
2-6:00 PM Feeding the Homeless Shelter (CFC-Kitchen)

### Next Sunday (January 20)

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship Service  
3-5:00 PM JAM Kids (Basement)  
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)  
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

## 2019 GIVING ENVELOPES

Be sure to pick up your 2019 giving envelopes located in the Narthex if you have not done so already. Please begin using them now for the new year of 2019. Thank you.

## MEMORY AND HONOR

*In Memory of Brent Stabler*  
*Mission Team Fund*  
Steve and Molly Long

## JOY KIDS LOCK-IN FRIDAY, JANUARY 18- 5:00 PM TO SATURDAY, JANUARY 19 - 7:30 AM.

This event is for 3rd - 5th graders. Children will need to pack a bag for a sleepover and bring sleeping bags, pillows and bible.

Please RSVP to 336. 239. 0844 so that we can plan accordingly for supervision and transportation to the homeless shelter. We will be taking the residents a snack around 6:30 PM. Anyone coming to the lock-in late, we should be back by 7:30 PM.



## **January 18, 2019: Youth Chicken Stew**

**(Pre-order only)**

See any youth council member or youth to preorder your chicken stew.  
\$8.00 Quart \$27.00 Gallon  
Pick up times: 12:00 - 2:00 PM and  
5:00 - 6:00 PM

**Orders are due today,  
January 13, 2019**

## JAMAICA TEAM COMMISSIONING SERVICE

**The Jamaica Team will be commissioned today, January 13, in the 11:00 Worship Service. Those being commissioned are as follows: Scottie Anderson, Mike & Kim Craver, Meena Evans, Steve Long, Chris Michael, Charlie Minter, Heather Noel, Karen Stutzman & Aaron Whitfield. They will leave January 16 and return January 30. They will be working at Bethuel Methodist Church in Grateful Hill, Jamaica. Let’s be sure to keep them in our prayers.**

## NEW BIBLE STUDY

A new bible study has started called “Making Space”. All are welcome to join in each Sunday morning now through February 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM – 10:45 AM in Classroom #3. In this series we'll identify what matters to God and find a way to incorporate those activities into our busy lifestyle. Each of the eight weekly sessions will focus on a topic that's important but easy to put on the back burner. Gleaning from the book of Proverbs and the example of Jesus, this study will help us avoid empty, unfulfilling busyness and devote your time to the pursuits that matter most in life.

*New leaders each week bring forth a new perspective and style. Won't you join us?*

## SPREADING WARMTH AND LOVE

Puerto Rico Mission Trip will be here soon. Please consider taking an envelope from the display board and donating to this cause. Our youth are excited to be able to spread the love of God through this ministry.

Due to snow and other changes, the display will be up until January 13. All donations can be placed in the offering plate in the envelopes provided.

