

SERMON TEXT FOR TODAY: "I Am the Vine"

John 15:1-8 NIV

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

STEWARDSHIP –MARCH 8, 2020

GIVING

Budget	
Weekly Need	\$ 7,659.07
Given	\$ 8,898.00
Ahead	\$ 2,250.28

ATTENDANCE

Centred	47
Worship Service	169
Total	216
Sunday School	149

Other Funds: Community Mission Fund: \$20; Cemetery Fund: \$500.00; Youth Fund: \$234.00

Center United Methodist Church
www.centermethodistwelcome.org

P. O. Box 179, Welcome, NC 27374 • 186 Center Church Road, Lexington, NC 27295

Office 336-731-6616 • Fax 336-731-0251

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Pastor: Rev. Mitch Wilson

cumcw.pastor@gmail.com, 336-291-3650 (Parsonage) 980-622-6357 (Cell)

Assistant Pastor: Rev. Edward L. Evans, Jr., 336-473-9864, pastoreddie121@gmail.com

**Youth/Young Adult Minister: Dr. Hunter Duncan hunter.duncan@rocketmail.com,
336-414-8728 (Cell)**

Music Director: Molly Long

slong55@triad.rr.com, 336-731-4020

Accompanist: Marty Stanbery, martystanbery@triad.rr.com, 336-655-0711

Traditional Worship Leader: Bud Sink

Interim Early Service Praise Leader: Katherine Duncan

Administrative Assistant: Joyce Rector, cumcw.aa@gmail.com, 336-731-6616

E-news: cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com or hhaves.eneews@gmail.com

Center United Methodist Church

www.centermethodistwelcome.org

P. O. Box 179, Welcome, NC 27374 • 186 Center Church Road, Lexington, NC 27295

Office 336-731-6616 • Fax 336-731-0251

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM



Center United Methodist Church

*THE POWER OF ONE
ONE Lord- ONE Faith
Each ONE Matters
Each One Reach ONE*



Center United Methodist Church
Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor
Third Sunday in Lent
March 15, 2020

11:00 AM Nursery with pagers available

Greeting and Announcements Richard Bates, Lay Leader
Prelude *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"* Marty Stanbery

Call to Worship

PRESENTATION of the LIGHT of CHRIST Isabelle Johnson
The Gift of God's HOLY WORD Quinn Talley
The Marvelous CROSS of CHRIST Aubrey Adkins

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

***HYMN NO. 154 Vs.1,2,3,6** *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*
Please Bring Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Offering to the Altar

Registration of Attendance
Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS and PRAYER Rev. Mitch Wilson

CHILDREN'S TIME Steve Long
Following Children's Time, children K-2nd grade may go to Children's Church

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *"You're Worthy of My Praise"* Youth Singers
***DOXOLOGY PAGE NO. 95** *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*
***HYMN NO. 163** *"Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"*

***THE READING OF THE WORD** *John 15:1-8 NIV* Rev. Mitch Wilson
THE PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD *"I Am the Vine"* Rev. Mitch Wilson

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT NO. 452** *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*
The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

***CHRIST'S LIGHT and CROSS of CHRIST GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD**
Isabelle Johnson and Aubrey Adkins

***BLESSING/BENEDICTION** Rev. Mitch Wilson
***POSTLUDE**

**Congregation Please Stand if Able*

WELCOME

Welcome to you all! If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here and ask that you fill out the form in the pew pads with your name, address, phone number and email address. We would love to reach out and answer any questions you may have. Also, stop by the "let's Connect" table for a gift and information about Center. If you do not have a church home, we would love to have you along side of us in worship and service.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

TRADITIONAL SERVICE GREETERS

Today – Tommy & Diane Henderson
Next Sunday – Joe & Hannah Koontz

TRADITIONAL SERVICE CONNECTORS

Today – Jason & Kristy York
Next Sunday – Sidney May & Debbie Williams

ACOLYTE

Today – Isabelle Johnson
Next Sunday – Autumn Johnson

BIBLE BEARER

Today – Quinn Talley
Next Sunday – Cora Kurtzman

CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER

Today – Aubrey Adkins
Next Sunday – Lilly Leonard

CHILDREN'S TIME

Today – Steve Long
Next Sunday – Angie Leonard

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Today – Angie Leonard & Karen Hodge
Next Sunday – Tina Fulcher

INFANT NURSERY

Today – Parenting Nursery

USHERS

Today – Rod Loflin (Head)
Rodney Williams, Tim Williams,
Chris Wood, Butch Wood

Next Sunday – Rod Loflin (Head)
Van Wood, Jason Adkins,

Michael Anderson, Larry Bailey

FINANCIAL COUNTERS

Today – Gary Brinkley & Jeff Mendenhall
Next Sunday – Donald Hamilton &
Gregg Stabler

TODDLER NURSERY

Today – Elizabeth Shillinglaw
Next Sunday – Dawn Essick

EARLY SERVICE NURSERY

Today – Lucinda Black
Next Sunday – Amy Brauser

EARLY SERVICE GREETERS

Today – Aaron Whitfield
Next Sunday – Brian & Emily Weavil

EARLY SERVICE CONNECTORS

Today – Ashley Johnson
Next Sunday – Chris & Stacy Michael

**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.*

THIS WEEK AT CENTER

Sunday (March 15)

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

Monday (March 16) Newsletter Deadline

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

Tuesday (March 17) - St Patrick's Day

12-10:00 PM Welcome Civitans Teacher Banquet (CFC)

Wednesday (March 18)

5:15 PM Hump Day Hoopla Meal –Simple Servants (CFC)
6:00 PM Bible Study (FH)
6:00 PM Middle School Youth (CFC)
6:30 PM Children's Choir Practice
6:45 PM High School Youth (MoJoes)
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday (March 19)

ALL DAY AHG Consignment Sale Set Up (CFC)
6:15 PM AHG (FH & Basement)

Friday (March 20)

ALL DAY AHG Consignment Sale Set (CFC)
8 AM-8 PM AHG Consignment Sale (CFC)

Saturday (March 21)

ALL DAY AHG Consignment Sale and Clean Up (CFC)
8 AM- 2 PM AHG Consignment Sale (CFC)
8:00 AM-5:00 PM Adult Painting Classes (FH)
6-10:00 PM Wedding Bridal Party (FH)

Next Sunday (March 22)

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service – Children's Showcase
12:00 PM AHG Café-Sunday Servings
5:00 PM Confirmation Class (FH)
5:00 PM Youth Singers Practice
6-8:00 PM Youth - Fusion
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

*May your blessings
Outnumber the shamrocks
that grow, and may troubles
avoid you wherever you go.
Irish Blessing*

MEMORY AND HONOR

In Memory of Kitty Minter

Budget Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Glenroy Grier, Jr.
Susan Marshall
Jennifer Herrin
Jay Marshall
Laura Styers
Andy Marshall
Willie and Judy Chambers

In Memory of Frances Kiger

Budget Fund

Ed and Becky Wassum
S.A.S. Institute, Inc.
Leland and Hilda Clodfelter
Steve and Brenda Troutman

In Honor of Ann Clodfelter

Budget Fund

William, Brittany and Anna

**AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS ALL SEASONS
CONSIGNMENT SALE
ON MARCH 20 AND 21**

The American Heritage Girls are having their Seasonal Consignment Sale again this spring. It is a fundraiser that we do twice a year to help raise money for the girls to do their activities and go on retreats. The Sale dates are March 20 from 8-8pm and March 21 from 8-11am and the half price sale from 11:30am until 2pm.

We are in need of a few items to help us out. We are in need of index cards, safety pins, and gently used clothing, books and toys. We will place a bin in the entry way to the sanctuary and one in the CFC entry. Please contact Angie Leonard with any questions. If you would like to consign please email at AHGclothingsale@gmail.com.

Thank you for all your help and support!.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN TODAY

For all students who have completed sixth grade, confirmation classes begin today, March 15, at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will learn more about the Lord and His Church and about making a personal decision about Jesus Christ. Make plans for your student to attend these eight to ten classes to be confirmed as a member of Center.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DONATIONS FOR MARCH

This month's needed items are small games and toys. There will be a box near the bathroom at the sanctuary for the items Operation Christmas Child Donations. Please contact Angie Leonard with any questions at 336.250.7033. Thank you!

ADULT PAINTING CLASS!

**COME PAINT A PICTURE AND ENJOY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
TWO CLASSES ARE OFFERED SATURDAY, MARCH 21
TO ACCOMMODATE ALL WHO SIGNED UP FOR CLASSES**

10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

1:30 – 4:00 PM

**LOCATED IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
SHEILA MCKINNEY, INSTRUCTOR**



MISSION OFFERING

First Sunday – Community Mission Offering

Second Sunday - Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering

Third & Fourth Sundays – Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Center

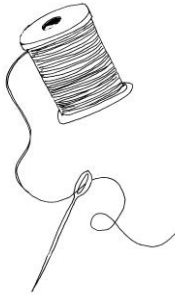
Fifth Sunday – Crisis Ministry Cash Offering

RECENT JOYS TO BE THANKFUL FOR:

- We have had a great attendance at our Wednesday night Hump Day Hoopla Meal and Bible Study. A BIG THANK YOU to all the classes/groups who provided the meals each week. This has been consistently attended and hopefully will be in the coming weeks as we fellowship around a meal and explore I Peter.

THREADS OF LOVE – TUESDAY, MARCH 24
6:00 PM

Threads of Love will meet on Tuesday, March 24, in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 PM. As we work on our mission projects, we invite all ladies to come join us!



FREE MEAL IN THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CENTER AT 5:15 PM & BIBLE STUDY TO FOLLOW

This Wednesday, March 18, we will meet in the Christian Fellowship Center for a FREE meal for the family at 5:15 PM. The Simple Servants Class is providing the meal. Immediately following the meal; the Bible Study will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

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.

On Going Prayer Concerns for March 15:

- James and Darlene Thompson
- Richard Mendenhall
- Henrietta Hayes
- Vickey Kepley
- Leroy Kiger
- Bill Minter
- Kim Dorton
- Linda Leonard
- Rev. Warren Miller
- Crissy Wagner
- Cindy Frank (Wendy Grubb’s Mother)
- Brandon Whitley (Friend of Wyatt & Tracy Kepley)
- Phyllis Leonard
- Stan and Robin Backer (Ashley Johnson’s Parents)
- Barbara Cross
- Jim Shoaf (by Michelle Butala)
- Vann Beeker
- Lannie Sink
- Patricia Arena (By Maddi Coup)
- Chris Freedle
- Dale Robbins
- Renae Bailey
- Helen Clark (Deena Tolley’s Grandmother)
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco’s Son-in-Law)
- Ralph Burleson (Charles Richardson’s Uncle)
- Karen Woods (Friend of Barbara Johnson)
- Kathy Kepley
- Paul Stevens (Steve and Molly Long’s Friend)

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.enevs@gmail.com or cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com

SHUT-INS AT HOME

Ann Clodfelter	Charles and Bonnie Minter
Dot Craver	Bruce and Betty Regan
Mozelle Koontz	Treavie Weaver
Sherry Lanier	

REST HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING

Marian Funderburk – Arbor Acres
Joy Jones – Patriot Assisted Living
Jewell McDade – Heritage Greens

IN THE MILITARY

Madison Brauser	Aaron Lineberry
Keeli Michael	Dylan Coleman

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE WEDNESDAY AT 9 AM

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.

FLOWER CALENDAR!!!

2020 CALENDAR IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD!

Your help in this ministry is most appreciated.

The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please mark the date/dates you would like to put flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of your loved ones. Please include the name of the contact person for our Administrative Assistant and let her know prior to your Sunday how you would like the announcement printed.

Thank you to those who filled in dates but there are still more dates available!

