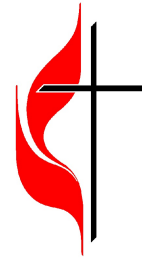


**THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL, OCTOBER 11–17, 2009**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	9:30 a.m.	Education Meeting (Connections)
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School (Cheryl Kent, Connie Davis, Heather Walden, Heidi Dorn)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service Following Worship: Single Mingle (Baja Bean)
<b>MONDAY</b>	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Connections)
	6:00-8:00	Love & Logic Parenting Class (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
<b>TUESDAY</b>		2010 Spending Plan Figures due in Church Office
	9:00 a.m.	Child's Play
	10:00 a.m.	Rebekah Circle Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	2:00 p.m.	Stained Glass Home School Choir (Choir Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Susannah Wesley Circle
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	7:30 p.m.	Elizabeth Circle (2093 Barterbrook Rd.)
	10:00–11:30	Food Pantry
	10:30 a.m.	Qi Jong Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
	12:00–12:30	Prayer Time
	6:00 p.m.	Women's NA (Eagon Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee (Connections)
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 a.m.	Child's Play
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
	8:15 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	6:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)



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*With man this  
is impossible, but  
not with God;  
all things are  
possible  
with  
God.*  
Mark 10:27

**IN MINISTRY**

General Ministers.....	372
Pastor.....	Stephanie M Sault
Pastoral Assistant.....	Daniel K. Purdom
Retired Missionary Professor.....	Hunter P. Mabry
Professor MBC.....	Kenneth A. Beals
Minister of Music/Organist.....	Sherry von Oeyen
Church Secretary.....	Agnes Campbell
Custodian.....	Janet Nuckoles
District Superintendent.....	Kathleen Overby Webster
Resident Bishop.....	Charlene Payne Kammerer

*The Mission  
of Central UMC  
is to make disciples  
of Jesus Christ.*

*Morning Worship*  
*Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*October 11, 2009* *11:00 a.m.*

*The Entrance*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Prelude Modal". . . . . Jean Langlais  
Jonathan Greer, Organist

\*Greeting. . . . . *from Hebrews 4:15-16*

We do not have a high priest who is unable to  
sympathize with our weaknesses,

**But we have one who in every respect has  
been tested as we are, yet without sin.**

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace  
with boldness,

**so that we may receive mercy and find  
grace to help in time of need.**

\*Hymn "In Christ Alone". . . . . Insert

\*Opening Prayer. . . . *from The U. M. Book of Worship*

**Almighty God,  
we confess that we are often swept up  
in the tide of our generation.**

**We have failed in our calling  
to be your holy people,  
a people set apart  
for your divine purpose.**

**We live more in apathy born of fatalism  
than in passion born of hope.**

*(Continued)*

*\*Please stand as able*

*Response to the Word*

Pastoral Prayer and Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Prayer

*(Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.)*

Offering: “The Voice of Peace”..... David Paxton

\*Congregational Response: Hymn 94. . . “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Affirmation of Faith..... Page 882

*Thanksgiving and Holy Communion*

Invitation

Celebration of Holy Communion..... Pages 17-18, Musical Setting A

Hymns: *The Faith We Sing* 2080, 2065 (2x); *UM Hymnal* 640

**We are moved more by private ambition  
than by social justice.  
We dream more of privilege and benefits  
than of service and sacrifice.  
We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories,  
without nourishing our souls,  
without relying wholly on your grace.  
Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you.  
Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.**

*(Silent Confession)*

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
Glory to God. Amen.**

Children’s Focus

*Proclamation and Response*

Prayer for Illumination

*(After the reading of the Scripture Lesson the reader will say: “This is the Word of the Lord.”*

*The congregation responds: **Thanks be to God.**)*

First Reading. . . . . Job 23:1-9, 16-17 (Pew Bible, Page 409)

Psalter 752. . . . . Psalm 22:1-15

Second Reading. . . . . Hebrews 4:12-16 (Pew Bible, Page 972)

Musical Offering: “My God, My God”. . . . . Tim Manion  
Jennifer Reed, Soloist

\*Gospel Reading. . . . . Mark 10:17-31 (Pew Bible, Page 822)

Sermon. . . . . Rev. Dr. Stephanie Sault

## Sending Forth

\*Hymn 396..... “O Jesus, I Have Promised”

\*Blessing and Sending Forth

\*Congregational Response: Hymn 666. .... Shalom to You”

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.**

**May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.**

**In all your living and through your loving,**

**Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

\*Postlude: “Suite Gothique – Intro”. .... Leon Boellmann

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**TO OUR GUESTS:** We are delighted to have you worship with us. All the opportunities and programs of Central are available to you. To become a member of this fellowship, please talk with the pastor after the service. Following the service will be a time of refreshment and fellowship. Please join us so that we might get better acquainted.

**WE WELCOME** Jonathan Greer as our guest organist today. He is a student at Blue Ridge Community College and also pursuing organ studies.

**PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT** to sign the attendance slip in your pew; and, if you are a member here, please introduce yourself to anyone who might be visiting with us today. Your warmth and hospitality will be a blessing in someone’s life today.

**THE COMMUNION RAIL** is open for prayer at any time, but particularly during the pastoral prayer, during Communion, during the final hymn, and after the worship service. If you would like someone to pray with you, please let the pastor know.

**CHILDREN** are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Following the Children’s Focus, children under 6 years of age may go to the play room. Later, during the Doxology, they will be brought back into the Sanctuary to participate with their parents in the Great Thanksgiving and receiving the Lord’s Supper. We welcome the participation of the youngest members of the family of faith.

**DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?** Please note it in our Prayer Book (located in the Narthex), and our prayer ministry team will join you in praying for the person/need.

**THE FLOWERS** on the altar are given in honor of Tom and Connie Mitchell who will be celebrating their 54<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 15, by their daughter, Kim.

**THE FALL FESTIVAL** Committee wishes to thank those who contributed baked goods for the festival. With your fantastic support we filled three tables with scrumptious treats. Thanks are also extended to all who helped in any capacity--contributions, attendance, set up and take down of tables, or food preparations.

**CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** Spinach, fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges, Spam, salmon, hash, canned spaghetti, paper towels.

**THANK YOU . . .** Through your generous support of the Food Pantry we are helping many people in our community to keep a more consistent supply of food on their tables. We would also like to invite you to contribute financially to the Fellowship Fund, which is used to help persons/families with financial emergencies such as facing eviction or utility cut-off. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of these helping ministries.

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for Sunday, October 25, our *Celebrate the Gift* Sunday. We’ll continue our celebration following worship with a covered-dish lunch. We hope to see you there!

**SINGLE MINGLE** will meet for lunch today following Worship. All single adults are invited to join us for a fun time of food and fellowship at the Baja Bean.

**THE PATHWAY TO RENEWAL** study is scheduled to begin Sunday, October 25, 7:00–8:30 p.m. The text is available in the Gathering Area and the Church Office. Please indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet or contact the Church Office.

**BUDGET FIGURES** for the 2010 Proposed Spending Plan are due in the Church Office by noon on Tuesday, October 13.

**CHURCH SECRETARY VACATION** – October 19-30. Please note the following deadlines:

For Oct. 18 bulletin	Wed., Oct. 14
For Oct. 25 Bulletin	Thursday, Oct. 15
For Nov. 1 Bulletin	Friday, Oct. 16
For November Newsletter	Thursday, Oct. 15

**OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP** (Oct. 4) Attendance: 75  
Income received toward budgeted expenses: \$9,711.93

**GREETERS:** Sandra Clemmer, Wilma Sloan **READER:** Bill Bushman

**COMMUNION:** Sandra Clemmer, Jo Ann and Benham Black, Rev. Sault

**USHERS:** Tom Spotts, Jim Printy, Jack True, Tom Davis, Judd Bankert, Ed Smith, Joe Hill, Mike Melton, Jim Linnane