



Central United Methodist Church

Our Mission:

To make disciples of Christ who WORSHIP God,
GROW in their faith and SERVE in the church and world.

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Please scan the QR code to the left and fill out the connect card
to let us know you are worshipping with us and how we can
connect you to our ministries.

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

Visitors are invited to visit the Welcome Table for a free gift and additional information about Central United Methodist Church. We are glad you are here!



Connect with us!

Use this QR Code for a direct link to all things CUMC. Get easy access to online giving options, connect cards letting us know you were in worship (in person or online), updated bulletins, newsletters and more!

Prayer Concerns

For this week please pray for the following:

*All of those recovering or suffering from medical issues, physical and emotional.

CUMC Family

12/15 Ollie Anthony

12/15 Jo Marsh

12/15 Frank Richardson

12/30 Peggy Conlin & family (passing

of her daughter-in-law, Denise, on 12/18)

Other

Military & First Responders

Our Homeless Community

Wars in Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan

Our Nation, County, and City

Family and Friends

12/15 Deborah Martin (Stephen Ager's sister; cancer recovery)

12/15 Gerald Lamonte Jennings (cancer)

12/15 Rodney Grant Jr. (Loss of leg)

12/17 Dale Eaker (Jessica Talbert's mom; cancer)

12/29 Sandra Raynor & family

12/29 Kimberlyn Floyd

12/30 Bob Conlin (Cancer)

1/2 Jerry Hendricks (Lynn Carter's mom- hip replacement &Medical complications

1/2 Pam Folk (Lynn Carter's cousin- cancer & hospice care)

Ministry Needs

Below is a list of volunteer and donation needs for some of our ministries:

Backpack Ministry: For January: **Fruit Cups**

Open Table: **Bottled Water**

Children's Choir

Wednesday night children's choir will resume this week. (1/7).

Interested in Feeding the Youth in 2026?

Sign up to provide a meal Sunday evening at 5pm in the fellowship hall.

Please reach out to Katie with questions.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49A4AB23A1FFC70-61391068-meal#/>

Children Serve At Open Table

As a Children's Ministry service initiative, children and parents are invited to help distribute food at Open Table on Saturday, Jan 17. Please enter through the Kids Place doors and meet in the PAC at 10:00am and we will start serving at 10:30. This is recommended for ages 3+ with a parent.

We will go out to eat afterwards at Chick-fil-a at the mall.

Stewardship Update

To date we have received 68 estimates of giving for a total of \$574,012.

This is very helpful as we plan our budget for the upcoming year.

If you have not sent in your 2026 estimate of giving, please either mail it or bring it to the church office.

Together we can carry out the mission the Lord has given us.

Discipleship Opportunities

Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

8am, Saturday Mornings before Open Table.

CUMC Room E210

Meets the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month.

The Book of Matthew

Have you wondered about the nature of the Kingdom of Heaven? Good thing to wonder! Matthew's gospel pulls back the curtain and says, "Thanks for asking, here it is." Taught by Dr. Tim Sieges, retired Director of Wycliffe Counseling Ministries

Disciple Class

Disciple is an in-depth four-year Bible Study that meets every Tuesday afternoon in the conference room from 3-5PM. We will resume meeting some time in February. Please contact Rob Laney (704-472-5042) if you are interested in joining!

Spring Studies

Keep an eye out for the Spring Bible Studies! We offer different options throughout the week and will be starting up soon!

SAVE THE DATE

Youth Valentine's Fundraiser

Sunday, Feb 22, 2025

With love,
CUMC Youth

Central UMC Ministry Opportunity

This QR code will take you to a comprehensive list of opportunities to be involved and serve at Central. Check out the list! You will be proud of all that Central does to make a difference in people's lives! Find a place to serve! As you find your place to serve, help new people find the information and a place to plug in! Together we shine the bright light of Christ!

Central UMC is a *Safe Sanctuaries* church. Please be sure that your Children are always accompanied by a parent or responsible adult caregiver including if and when they need to use the restroom during service. We appreciate your assistance as we strive to ensure the safety of all. **Restrooms** are located outside the right-hand side of the sanctuary, as you look at the chancel area.

Childcare is available for infants and preschool aged children. Our nursery staff awaits you in room E105.

Hearing devices are available for those who need them.

Large print Bibles & Hymnals are available for those who need them. The Ushers are at each door and will happily assist you with any of these.

SERMON NOTES
