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The Jot & Tittle

The newsletter of Central United Methodist Church

For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

(Matthew 5:18)

May 2 2010

**Worship Services at Central
Dr. Rob Blackburn, Senior Minister**

Sunday Worship Services

at 8:45 and 10:55 am

May 23

New Member Sunday
Pentecost

Saturdays at Six Worship

6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

A nursery is provided during all worship services. Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:45 am.

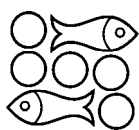
Sunday worship is broadcast on 1310 WISE-AM at 9:00 am.

The Sunday worship service is also available live on the church website: www.centralumc.org (you must have high-speed internet and Real Player).

The prior week's service is telecast on Public TV Channel 20 at 11:00 am on Sunday.

Children's Choir presents "Table for Five...Thousand!" on Sunday, May 2

On Sunday, May 2, our Children's Choir (grades 1-5) will present "Table for Five...Thousand!" Written by Allen Pote and Tom Long, the musical gives a very creative account of the miracle of the loaves and fishes.



This miracle is the only one other than the resurrection that is reported in all four gospels. The writers use details from all of them, but focus primarily on the account of John, where a young boy is the catalyst for action in the story.

The theme is a simple one: the smallest, most humble people, especially children, can do great things for the Kingdom of God. Our kids will present "Table for Five...Thousand!" at both morning worship services.

Fill up your water bottle for Haiti

Remember to be filling up the water bottle you received on April 25. Your challenge: fill the bottles with money and bring them back to worship on May 16 when the bottles will be brought forward during the offertory and a special prayer said for those in Haiti that these gifts will benefit.

Flower calendar has open dates in May

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion, the following dates are currently open: May 9 (Mother's Day), May 23, and May 30. Please call Lesli Hollowell in the church office at 253-3316 ext 310 to sign up.



Volunteer Appreciation Lunch on May 19

The annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 19, at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. All those who volunteer in the church are invited. The time and energy our volunteers devote to Central is greatly appreciated—Central would not be able to do all we do if it were not for our faithful volunteers!

Volunteers, we hope you will come for this special day of recognition. Please call the church at 253-3316 by Thursday, May 13, to let us know you are coming so we will be sure to have food for all.



Congregation invited to update on Capital Campaign

The Capital Campaign will hold a congregational meeting in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour on Sunday, May 23. Campaign status and building design updates will be followed by a time for comments and questions and answers.

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Central Happenings

New Member Class begins Sunday, May 2

The next New Member Class begins Sunday, May 2. The group meets from 10:00 to 10:45 am in the Conference Room (Room 311) near the church office. The classes will be held May 2, 9, 16, and 23. This is a great opportunity to meet to meet the ministers and other newcomers to the church, and to get detailed information on Central's programs, activities, and opportunities for service. We will learn about the history of Methodism and Methodist doctrine, plus take a tour of the church building. May 23 is New Member Sunday for those wishing to join Central

All are welcome to come learn more about Central. Contact Suzanne Brown at 253-3316 ext 324 or sbrown@centralumc.org for details.

Prayer partners needed for youth this summer

Last summer we connected 65 church members with our youth in prayer over the summer. This year we are already in **need of 75 prayer partners** for this summer. Our youth will be participating in a number of trips this summer and we would love to have each kid sponsored in prayer while they are on their trip.

We ask that each Prayer Partner would surround their youth in prayer the week they are on a trip this summer. We also ask that each Prayer Partner write a short note or letter for the youth to receive while they are out serving the church. This is a fantastic way not only to connect the members of the congregation with the youth of the church but a great way to live out what it means to be the body of Christ. If you would like to participate, please contact Stephen Brown for more information. He can be reached via email at Stephen@centralumc.org or by phone at 828-421-0340.



Church Women United meet Saturday, May 8

May Friendship Day will be held on May 8 at Groce United Methodist Church, 95 Tunnel Road. Coffee and Registration begins at 9:30 and the business meeting and program is at 10:00. The theme is "Living the Vision." An offering for the Fellowship of the Least Coin will be received along with the regular offering.

Bring a salad and enjoy lunch at noon. Childcare will be offered if notice is given ahead of time. Call 253-3061.

More on the altar flowers

The flowers are absolutely gorgeous each Sunday (thank you, donors and Clements Flower Shop!) and we want them to be shared. If you give the flowers for a particular Sunday, please let Lesli Hollowell in the church office know what your wishes are for them after Sunday. If the flowers are still in the Sanctuary by Tuesday, they will be distributed among our homebound and members who are in the hospital, unless you let us know that you have other plans for them.



We give thanks to God for the flowers and hope that they will continue to bring joy to many others.

Dear Members at Central,

For the past 13 years, Gary Edwards has faithfully served Central United Methodist Church caring for our beautiful building and for our members. On June 1, Gary is retiring to spend more time with his family while doing some window washing and plumbing work.

Gary has been the one to call for any maintenance or building needs. He has kept the church supplied with anything from cleaning supplies to coffee to postage for the Jot & Tittle. You can find him at the Haywood Street campus taking care of plumbing needs also. Gary has maintained the church vans and has always made sure they are safe for our many travels! And who among us hasn't been blessed by his sharing of his beloved pickled eggs?

Gary has been a very valuable and trusted presence who will be greatly missed!

On Sunday, May 30, Central will host a reception in the Fellowship Hall after the second service to express our appreciation to Gary for his dedicated and loving service.

At this reception we will also present Gary with a monetary gift from the members at Central.

Thank you for your generosity and for all you do as part of this wonderful church family.

Rob Blackburn
Senior Minister

Bill Van Cleve
Chair, Staff Parish

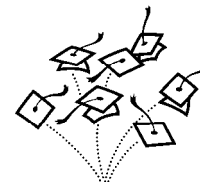
Calling all parents of high school seniors

Before the final exams go out, and the caps fly in the air, Central United Methodist Church is proud to celebrate Senior Sunday with your youth on Sunday, May 16. To prepare for this wonderful tradition here at Central, Stephen Brown would like to get a picture of the graduating seniors for the bulletin that morning. Headshots of the senior will be fine.

Along with the headshot, I need these things for the bulletin:

1. Their current school
2. Their plans after they graduate
3. Short list of accolades

All of this information will be put in the bulletin insert on Sunday Morning.



I need these things for the brunch:

We would also like to ask you for 5-6 pictures of your senior for a slide show that will run during our brunch Sunday on May the 16th. These pictures can be dropped off to be scanned, emailed, and sent on a CD or memory device. Please get this information to me ASAP. I want to make sure everyone will be able to participate in this event.

Come help in the George Beverly Library on May 1 and May 5

The library needs some volunteers to help update, catalog, and sort through these wonderful titles. We will be meeting Saturday, May 1, from 9:00 am to noon and Wednesday, May 5, from 2:00 to 5:00 pm.



While we certainly welcome help with cataloging on the computer, there are opportunities to insert donation plates, shelve and sort books and periodicals, cover new books, etc. Along with individual volunteers, Journey Groups, Sunday School Classes, junior or senior high youth, and any other small groups are welcome to help.

Please call Martha Hayes at 299-0427 or Trudi Peters at 628-1683 to sign up or if you have questions.

Foods for ABCCM:

**Vegetable oil, powdered milk, jelly
hot and cold cereal,
spaghetti noodles and sauce**

2010 budget update

As of April 18, our Central congregation has given \$483,787 toward the 2010 financial goal of \$1,727,158 needed to support our ministries and the operating budget. Thank you!

Haywood Street Happenings

Thank you to the Growing In Faith Sunday school class for painting the kitchen at Haywood Street.

All are invited to the Welcome Table on Wednesdays

The Haywood Street Congregation is the place to be every Wednesday. Why not “treat” your favorite group to lunch and join us at the Downtown Welcome Table from 11:30 - 1:00? Your Journey Group, your Sunday School class, your Bible Study group, your office friends—choose a Wednesday and get your buddies together for a great lunch and even better company! At 12:30 pm, your group can attend the worship service in the sanctuary.



Worship Opportunities

Saturdays at Six

Saturdays at Six invites all members from CUMC to “come and see” what the contemporary service is all about. A casual dress code is the standard so come as you are.

The music offered represents today’s popular praise and worship songs heard on Christian radio stations. The sermon is the same for all three services of the weekend. Saturdays at Six can be an option if you have an attendance conflict on a given Sunday, or maybe just want to go out to dinner in Asheville some Saturday night and wish to worship prior to eating.

Just plain curious is a reason to visit too! Also, please consider referring any family, friends or neighbors that might be interested in a contemporary style of praise and worship.

Congregational Care Concerns

Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler is Central's Minister of Pastoral Care.

She is interested in getting to know the members of Central. The best way to get to know you is to visit. Please give her a call at 989-9659 or 253-3316 if you would like to schedule a time to talk.

Extended Family (a.k.a. "homebound") News

When you are Unable to Attend Worship....

Thank you to all our volunteers who visit those who are unable to attend worship. Thank you also to our new members who have offered to visit and help the church stay connected to our homebound members. You help Central live out our mission to be community for Christ. Help us widen the circle of Central. You may know more members who are unable to come to church and would like to be seen by a visitor and Julie Wilburn Peeler. Please call the church office and speak with Julie. We care about our faith family and we do not want anyone to feel forgotten.



Other Ways to Feel Connected....

We want to keep you connected to the worship life of Central United Methodist Church! Bulletins have been sent to those individuals who are unable to attend worship. My hope is that when they are able to view the worship service on T.V. on a week delay, folks will have the bulletin with them so they can follow along. If you would like to receive a bulletin in the mail or email, please let Julie know at 828-253-3316 or jwilburnpeeler@centralumc.org.

Prayer Life

Intercessory Prayer Group

Thank you for your prayer requests. Your concerns and joys help us to live out our call to "pray continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). We simply ask that you keep them coming. You can email jwilburnpeeler@centralumc.org or call the requests in. **If you feel like your area needs a prayer group please call Julie and we will talk about starting new prayer groups.**

Music Ministry

Funds needed to continue Central's Music Internship Program

Last fall, the Music Ministry began a new internship program designed to employ college music students to the benefit of our music program. The Music Ministry Council, upon further evaluation, has determined that this is a worthwhile endeavor, and should be continued for next year, 2010-11.

Currently, the program employs three students, each with different talents, bringing different benefits to our worship music. These skills range from assisting with weekly choir rehearsals, to solo singing, accompanying at the piano, and playing percussion. In addition to the benefits brought to the church, we see this as a learning opportunity for the students.

For example, one of our interns, Paul Annas, has been learning how to direct a choir through one-on-one lessons with Russell Nelson, and also by putting the learned skills into practice during Wednesday night choir rehearsal. While students can learn to lead choirs in the university classroom, they are unlikely to gain "real world" application of these skills unless they have an opportunity outside of their school experience. For Intern Emily Coxie, the experience has focused her on improving her skills as a soloist and choir singer, and using these gifts more confidently.



But perhaps the most rewarding part of the internship journey has been to observe as the choir has embraced these students in the context of Christian community. As many of you witnessed some weeks ago, this inspired Intern Courtney Allen to unite in membership with our congregation, and it has encouraged all of the students in their spiritual journey, rooted in the rich soil of this wonderful body of believers called Central Church.

The Music Internship Program does not receive budgeted funds, and therefore, depends on the generosity of church members and friends of the Music Ministry for its operating costs. Each internship costs \$2,500 per year, and our goal is to at least maintain the positions we have, and at best, expand the program in the future. Please prayerfully consider helping us continue this important program through your financial support. If you wish to contribute, please mark your gift for "Music Internships."

Children's Ministry

Church minivan available for Camp Tekoa transportation

We have lots of children traveling to Tekoa this summer and both of the white vans are FULL. We do have a church minivan that we can use that will seat 6 passengers. In order for us to use this van, parents who would like to send their children in the minivan will need to take turns driving that van each day.

Call or email Jessica Tripp for more information.

Milk jugs and picnic blankets needed for V.B.S.

We are currently collecting gallon size milk jugs and picnic blankets for VBS. Please drop your donation by the church office.

Don't miss our V.B.S. closing music program

On Friday evening, June 25, bring your family and friends and come enjoy the sights and sounds as our children perform music from a fun-filled week in Egypt!

Dinner will begin at 5:30 and the show will begin at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Register your child for Vacation Bible School June 21-25

Join us for a week of fun, fellowship and spiritual growth

Egypt: Joseph's Journey from prison to palace

V.B.S. is open to children two years old – 5th grade (children must be 3 by August 31, 2010).

Nursery care is available for V.B.S. staff

As you arrive each morning, you will check in at the table in front of the Fellowship Hall:

- Parents will walk 2 and 3 year old children directly to their classroom on the first floor.
- Children 4 years old – 5th grade will then go into the Fellowship Hall to meet their family leaders (to be in these groups, children must be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2010).

Morning arrival will begin at 8:30. All children need to arrive by 8:45.

After opening assembly children will begin their Bible time adventure as they enjoy recreation, drama, crafts, snacks, family time, music, missions and more.

All activities will introduce children to the culture of ancient Egypt as we learn about Joseph and his journey from prison to palace.

Dismissal will begin each day at 12:30.

Children will be dismissed from the Fellowship Hall. You may walk up to the Fellowship Hall or drive up on Church Street to pick up your child.

Each day we will collect an offering during opening assembly.

Offering items will benefit Central's Dominican Republic Summer Mission Team. Items we are collecting:

Monday: nickels and toothbrushes/ toothpastes

Tuesday: dimes and soaps/washcloths

Wednesday: quarters and small bottles of shampoo, plastic hair combs

Thursday: dollars and crayons

Friday: nickels, dimes, quarters, dollars and coloring books



REGISTRATION FEE: \$25 per child/ Family Maximum \$50/ Scholarships available

Make all checks payable to Central UMC. Memo:VBS

Youth Ministry

UMYF—United Methodist Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12

For more info, contact Stephen Brown, Youth Director, at 253-3316, 421-0340 or email Stephen@centralumc.org

Super Seventies Soirée!!

May 9—5:00-7:30 in the Fellowship Hall

We would like to **welcome all the 6th graders who are joining our Youth group this year.** What better way to honor them, than to throw a huge party!! We invite all the new inductees of the youth group to come out and join us for a night of good food, great fun, 70's attire and t-shirts. This takes place Sunday May 9th from 5-7:30 in the fellowship hall. **Wear your best 70's outfit;** there will be a best dressed contest. If all that does not excite you, then guess who is catering our event... MOE'S Burritos!!! We will have lots of group games, awesome music and you will be tie-dyeing your own shirt. Hey if you haven't been to youth in a while come on out and enjoy the feast and festivities.

Senior Sunday

May 16—5:00-7:00 in the Fellowship Hall

This is another special day for our Graduates here at Central. We invite all the graduating seniors not only to join us Sunday morning for the brunch and late service, but we ask that they join us for a special ceremony at Youth on Sunday night. We hope to honor their time spent in service towards the community, the church and the Youth Group. This will all take place Sunday May the 16th.



Movie Madness

May 22—1:00-3:00 (schedule may vary), Meet in the back Church parking lot

Join us Saturday May the 22nd as we screen the new Shrek movie, "Shrek Forever After". If you are a fan like I am we will love, and laugh this new movie. Keep an eye out for a time change, since show times may vary. Meet at the church at 1 o'clock. We plan on being done somewhere around 3 o'clock.

Kyle Parker Speaks: A Discussion on Stereotyping

May 23—5:00-7:00 Youth Arena

To do this we will be watching some clips of Larry the Cable Guy. Come laugh with us as we discuss the harms of stereotyping, and what we are called to do as Christians. This will be a great evening of discussion.

Sign Up for Summer Trips

Deadline for Summer Trip sign ups is **two weeks prior to the date we leave.** Money is due the week before the trip you are going on. Re-Check your calendars and call me to sign up for summer trips. Spots for Wilderness Trail are flying off the counter. Mission Trips are going to be amazing. Cell: 421-0340 Church: 253-3316

High School Mission Trip

June 20 – 26: Inner City Cincinnati, OH Cost \$269

Middle School Mission Trip

(Rising 9th graders are still considered Middle School Participants for the summer.

Confirmands are welcome to join us on the Middle School Mission Trip.)

August 1-7 Cleveland, Georgia Cost \$269

Wilderness Trail

(All Youth and Confirmands—rising 7th graders—are welcome to join us on the Wilderness Trail.)

July 17- 24 Troutdale, Virginia Cost \$260

(Scholarships are available for any youth activity. Contact Stephen Brown.)

Sign-ups begin now. Permission Forms for all of these trips can be picked up at the Central Reception Desk in a folder labeled "Summer Trips." Please call or email Stephen Brown at 828-421-0340

or stephen@centralumc.org with your reservations and questions.

Calling all parents of high school seniors—See page 3

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Please see page 3 for important details so your child can be included.

Prison Ministry

You're invited to a panel on recidivism

Studies on the topic of recidivism indicate that prisoners who participate in faith-based programs in prison are often more than twice as likely to succeed upon their release. On May 6 the New Life Center invites you to come to the First Baptist Church Chapel at 7:00 pm and reflect with us on this topic. We have a strong panel led by a veteran leader of the NC prisons, Theodis Beck. Admission is free.

Golfers, come play for a good cause

The New Life Center is sponsoring a golf tournament at Broadmoor Golf Links on Saturday, May 8. Proceeds will go to help build a religious-education building at Buncombe Correctional Center. Entry fees are \$65 per golfer with lunch included. Entry forms are available at the Reception Desk or call Mary Pitts at 684-6354 or 290-8931.

Kairos Prison Ministry

Fifty volunteers from many different denominations in Western North Carolina all share the desire to follow Christ's admonition of Matthew 25:36 "I was in prison and you visited me." Central UMC is represented among them. These volunteers are meeting regularly for training and organizing the fourth Kairos weekend at Marion Correctional Center (MCI). Marion Correctional Institution is a close custody institution for 806 adult males. Out the many applications received, 42 participants will be selected for the Kairos MCI #4 weekend, to be held May 20 thru 23.



In order to make this weekend the same success as Kairos #1 thru #3, we need your help again. First, and most important, pray for the participants.

- **Be a prayer partner.** Visit <http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/GetVigil.phtml?pvid=4448&commid=1474> and select a time when you will be praying for these men. The prayer partner names will be shown on "prayer wheels" and inmates will stand in awe looking at all those names, knowing that they are lifted up in prayer 24 hours per day for the entire weekend.
- Second, we need the "**Cookie bake**" again. We handed out over 3,000 dozen homemade, "prayed over" cookies at previous Kairos weekends and expect to do the same at Kairos MCI #4. Every day during the weekend, the Kairos team will hand out with the love of Christ a dozen of homemade, prayed over, cookies to every inmate in their cell and all participants can indulge themselves on a pile of cookies on their table. for the cookie bake instructions and recipes visit <http://www.kairosprisonministry.org/templates/System/details.asp?id=23761&PID=151434> or pick up a copy from Jessica Trip. Again, the key ingredient to the cookies is prayer.
- Third, be part of stepping into the prison thru your expression of Christ love by **making a poster**. Perhaps for the first time ever, men will see the Body of Christ through the tangible display of posters. Posters can be of any size, from 8½ X 11 up to poster board size. Are there any Sunday school classes (adult and children) who are willing to participate?
- Fourth, are you willing to **buy an inmate a meal**? A meal ticket, showing the first name of the sponsor is placed on the placemat with their meal. The average cost of a meal is \$5.00 and a check can be made out to N.C. Kairos. A team of volunteers prepares lunches and dinners in Glenwood Baptist Church's kitchen, a church nearby MCI. These meals are served to the participants and placed on placemats decorated by the children from Central UMC and other churches.

Thank you, Central, for showing Christ's love to those who are physically and spiritually incarcerated. For more information on Kairos visit <http://www.kairosprisonministry.org/>, contact Jessica Tripp jtripp@centralumc.org or John Klees 56john44@charter.net

Cookies, posters, placemats and meal donations should be at Central, the latest by Wednesday, May 19, before 7:00 pm.

Outreach

F. I. S. H. (Families In Service to Him)

F.I.S.H. is a family/intergenerational mission group that is open to all ages and meets the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 to 12:00 for a devotion, prayer, and service. If you are planning to participate, please contact Jessica Tripp at 253-3316 or jtripp@centralumc.org.

- **Saturday, May 1:** We will partner with River Link to continue the clean up of our adopted section of the Swannanoa River.
- **Saturday, June 5:** This is a special day of service throughout our district on the Methodist Community Impact Day. Many opportunities for service will be available this day.



F. I. S. H. and Friends “Great Day of Service” June 5

Join us on Saturday, June 5, for F.I.S.H.’s (Families in Service to Him) first “Great Day of Service.” Opportunities are available to serve at a variety of locations throughout Asheville beginning at 9:00 am and going through the afternoon.

This is an **all-ages service opportunity** great for families, journey groups, Sunday school classes, and anyone else desiring to put their faith into action. Invite your friends and neighbors to attend and introduce them to the missions minded faith community that is Central Church.

In a few weeks a sign-up table will be in the Fellowship Hall listing the different locations for service. Find the clipboard that lists the place you want to serve and sign-up. Sites include MANNA, Kids Against Hunger, Riverlink, ABCCM Veterans Center, The Lord’s Acre, and more. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall that morning for a devotion and refreshments and then head out into the community. Our goal is to have over 200 Central members and friends in service to the community June 5!

Room in the Inn coming June 13—20

Room in the Inn is a faith-based program, offering three meals daily and nighttime shelter for up to twelve homeless women. All of the guests at RITI complete a screening process before participating in the program. The women come into a new host church each week, beginning Sunday evening and moving to another on Sunday a week later.

Central and Trinity Episcopal partner with each other to provide meals, overnight volunteers, and a place to sleep. Central is the host church the June 13-20 week and Trinity will help with meals and volunteers. Each night volunteers are needed to spend the night at the host church.

In addition to overnight hosts, the churches provide breakfast, a bag lunch, and dinner each day of the week; movies or other casual activities; and a safe, comfortable place to sleep.

Volunteers are needed to supply these needs for the women. Please look for the sign-up sheets that will be posted on the standing bulletin board outside of the Sanctuary and see where you—or your circle, Journey Group, or Sunday School class— can help.

For anyone wanting to help for the first time or needing more information, please call Scott Abernethy at 684-8180 and she will be glad to answer any questions.



Parish Nurse / Older Adult Ministry

Free Blood Pressure Screening on Sunday, May 9

Available for all ages—young adults can have high blood pressure, too

There will be Blood Pressure Screening on Sunday, May 9, from 9:30-10:45 am in the Senior Resource Center (Room 318). Normal blood pressure is less than 120/80. One is considered to have Pre-Hypertension if your reading is 120-139/80-89. Stage 2 Hypertension is 160+/100+. High blood pressure increases the risk of heart disease, heart attacks, strokes, eye or kidney damage. Come and find out if you are at risk.

Enjoy singing? Read this

We are starting an Older Adult Choir led by Russell Nelson, Central's Director of Music. We will begin practice on Tuesday, May 11, at 2:00 pm in the choir room.

Lipid Screening on Thursday, May 20 (note date change)

On Thursday, May 20, from 8:30-10:30 am, Maureen Carr, Parish Nurse performs Lipid Panel (Total Cholesterol, good and bad cholesterol, triglycerides, blood sugar) screenings in Senior resource Center (Room 318). You will get better results if you have been fasting 8-12 hours. There is a \$15 charge to cover supplies. No appointments are necessary. Just come and be informed of your cholesterol and blood sugar numbers.

AARP Driver Safety Course at Central on Wednesday, May 26

The AARP Driver Safety Course will be presented at Central on Wednesday, May 26, starting at 10:00 am. The AARP Driver Safety Course is a classroom-based refresher course for drivers 50 years old and older and is designed to keep older drivers on the road longer and safer. The new version of the course is just four hours. The fee, \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non members, covers the cost of delivering the program, including a Participant Workbook.

The AARP Driver Safety Program is designed to help you tune up your driving skills and update your knowledge of the rules of the road; learn about normal age-related physical changes, and how to adjust your driving to allow for these changes; reduce your traffic violations, crashes, and chances for injuries; and drive safer. After completing the course, you'll develop a greater appreciation of driving challenges and how you can avoid potential collisions and injuries to yourself and others.



To assure an adequate supply of materials and comfortable classroom accommodations, the AARP requests that you preregister for the course at least one week in advance of the delivery date. You may register and get more information by calling Maureen Carr at 253-3316 ext 320 or email: mcarr@centralumc.org.

United Methodist Women

Watch for the United Methodist Women Study coming Sunday, June 13.

The **Deborah Circle** will meet Sunday, May 2, at 2:00 pm at Givens Estates, Second Floor. Mildred Shields is hostess and Doris Manning will present the program.

The **Grace Circle** will meet Monday, May 3, at 10:00 am at Givens Estates.

The **Ruth Circle** will meet Monday, May 3, at 11:00 am at the home of Vida Feemster, 3 Valley Trace Lane, Hamburg Crossing Club House, in Weaverville. This will be a covered dish luncheon and lots of fun. Rev. Julie Wilburn Peeler will be our guest speaker. See you there!

The **Mary Circle** will meet on Wednesday, May 5, at 9:30 am at the church. We are a circle whose focus is Motherhood. Childcare for the little ones is always available at our meetings. This is a great opportunity for moms to fellowship and do service work with other moms. For more information about the Mary Circle, contact Heather Nesbitt at hawessel@yahoo.com.

The **Anna Circle** will meet on Friday, May 7, at 10:00 am at the home of Millicent Duccini. Please remember to bring your paper products.

The **Sarah Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 18, at 11:00 am at the home of Nancy Stancil. Former member and friend Barbara Campbell will speak on "A Glimpse of the Sudan" followed by lunch.

The **Lydia Circle** includes young, professional Christian women who are sharing their faith journey through community service, devotion, mission outreach, prayer, and fellowship. We meet once a month for dinner and our meeting, which will have varying content. There are no set meeting dates—we pick the next date at our meeting, so contact Diane Robinson for meeting info if you are interested in becoming acquainted with the Lydia women. You can reach her via email at dianerobinson@gmail.com or by phone 989-8097.



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Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayers are with Steve Hopkins and his family on the death of his father, William C. Hopkins, on March 31 in Boise, Idaho.

Our sympathy and prayers are with Margaret Roberts and her family on the death of her mother, Lula Wix, on April 18.

Memorial Gifts

In memory of Barbara Eddins for the Stephen Ministry by:

John Edwards

In memory of Holly Otis for the Foundation Fund by:

Ann and Dean Reed

In memory of Joe Frick for the Foundation Fund by:

Nancy Stancil

Honor Gift

In honor of Laura Kirby for the Haywood Street Congregation by:
Wallace Kirby

Jot & Tittle deadlines

May 5 is the deadline for the
May 16 issue

May 26 is the deadline for the
June 6 issue

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