

Discussion Questions

Prepare for July 12, 2022: This week, read Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 as well as Romans 5:1-5 (and if you want extra credit, check out John 16:12-15). What do you think of this depiction of Wisdom that appears in Proverbs? What connections do you see with the other scripture lessons? What actions are we told the Holy Spirit will take in our lives? What might that look like in your daily activities? What does it mean for us that God's love is "poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us?"

Need someone to talk to? Contact Pastor Miriam. Central also offers **Stephen Ministers**—lay Christian friends trained to help through times of crisis. The pastor can get you in touch with one.



You're invited to...

Sunday
in the park

Sunday June 26
10:30am
Delano Park

Sunday worship service, Pot Luck lunch,
& children's activities

**Come as you are, Bring Chairs,
& join the Celebration!**

The **Youth Mission** trip is June 12-16, in Asheville, NC. The youth will be serving the poor, homeless, and veterans in the Asheville area. We will meet at the church on Sunday, June 12, at 7:30. We want to leave by 8:00!!!

SUNDAY in the PARK is June 26 – 10:30am Worship Service – Pot luck lunch – GAMES for the kids
Our church service will be at Delano Park at 10:30 – there will NOT be any Sunday school on this day!

Lunch Bunch is every Wednesday at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch is \$3 to help with the lunch costs.

May Financials

Needed Weekly	\$15,559
Received May 29	\$12,925
Needed for May	\$62,235
Received for May	\$67,869

Last Week's Attendance

In-person:	112
Online:	41



616 Jackson Street
Decatur, Alabama 35601
256) 353-6941
CUMC@CentralUnitedMethodist.com
<https://CentralUnitedMethodist.com>

Sunday School – 9:30 AM
Worship – 10:30 AM

Calendar

Sunday, June 5

9:15 AM Crossroads (Rm 209)
9:30 AM Children, Youth 3rd Fl), Cornerstone (LFH), Agape (L), Lovett (Rm 208), Bates/Godwin (Rm 213)
10:30 AM Worship Service

Tuesday, June 7

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
8:00 AM Centering Prayer, CH
9:30 AM Tuesday Morning Ladies B.S.-L
2:30 PM Prayer Team

Wednesday, June 8

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
11:00 AM Lunch Bunch, FH
6:00 PM Choir Practice

Thursday, June 9

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study-JJ

Friday, June 10

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
9:00 AM, Women's Java Jaay Bible

CH– Chapel, FH- Fellowship Hall
LFH- Lower Fellowship Hall
L - Library S- Sanctuary G- Gym

Check our website for up-to-date calendar.
www.CentralUnitedMethodist.com

Central's mission:

Love God
Love others
Serve the world

Pentecost



Inspired

Acts 2:1-21

Central's mission:

Love God, love others, and serve the world

June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

10:30 AM

Please silence electronic devices.

**Stand at these points, as you're comfortable.*

Musical Gift "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

arr. Wilson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

For God has done wondrous things for us.

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!

Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

Help us to boldly proclaim that Christ is risen. AMEN.

Opening Hymn #332 "Spirit of Faith, Come Down"

Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God,
And make to us the God-head known, and witness with the blood.
'Tis thine the blood to apply and give us eyes to see,
Who did for every sinner die hath surely died for me.

No one can truly say that Jesus is the Lord,
Unless thou take the veil away and breath the living Word.
Then, only then, we feel our interest in his blood,
And cry with joy unspeakable, "Thou art my Lord, my God!"

O that the world might know the all-atoning Lamb!
Spirit of faith, descend and show the virtue of his name;
The grace which all may find, the saving power, impart,
And testify to humankind, and speak in every heart.

Inspire the living faith (which who-so-e'er receive,
The witness in themselves they have and consciously believe),
The faith that conquers all, and doth the mountain move,
And saves who-e'er on Jesus call, and perfects them in love.

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
The third day he rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**universal*

*Greeting

Hymn "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"

Getty/Townend

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul;
Bring the presence of the Risen Lord,
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for Your purity;
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least;
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace;
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made.
Show Your power once again on earth,
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;

Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.

Prayers of the People

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Children's Message

Judy Simms

Bible Reading — Acts 2:1-21

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!" They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, "What does this mean?" Others jeered at them, saying, "They're full of new wine!"

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, "Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren't drunk, as you suspect; after all, it's only nine o'clock in

the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:
In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy.
Your young will see visions.
Your elders will dream dreams.
Even upon my servants, men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.
I will cause wonders to occur in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and a cloud of smoke.
The sun will be changed into darkness,
and the moon will be changed into blood,
before the great and spectacular day of the Lord comes.
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

—
The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Message — "Inspired"

Rev. Miriam Smith

Closing Hymn 334 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain

***Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.***

Musical Gift "How Majestic Is Your Name!"

Broughton

Worship Director: Susan Thompson

Organist: Virginia Paul

Scripture Reader: Doug Shoemaker

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past" - arr. Wilson c. 1966 Lorenz Publishing Co.

"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God", Getty/Townend ©2006 Thankyou Music (admin. worldwide at EMIC-MGPublishing.com)

"How Majestic Is Your Name?" - Broughton c. 2008 Lorenz Publishing Co.

Call to Worship courtesy of Ministry Matters