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Scripture Reader: Sam Stephenson

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The flowers on the altar this morning are in loving memory of Wanda Palmer, by her daughter, Delores Sweda, (and given to Elizabeth English, after the service, for her kindness).

**Wednesday Nite Café
Sept 28 Menu**

Cheeseburger Casserole, Broccoli, Mac & Cheese, Rolls, Salad, Dessert

If you would like a To-go box for Wednesday Nite dinner, call Wim Marchant before Monday at noon so he can get an accurate count to order food.

Pricing

Adult/\$7

Child/\$5

Household/\$20



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

The **Children's Bible Class** begins, October 2nd, taught by Pastor Miriam.

There will be a **Worship Committee Meeting** October 3 at 6 pm in the library.

There will be a guest speaker, Liz Bowlin, from **Global Methodist Church**, on Oct 16 in the F.H. at 6 pm.

September Financials

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| Needed Weekly | \$15,559 |
| Received Sept 18 | \$8,924 |
| Needed for Sept | \$62,235 |
| Received for Sept | \$20,824 |

Last Week's Attendance

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| In-person: | 187 |
| Online: | 45 |

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.



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Sunday School – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

Calendar

Sunday, September 25

9:15 AM Crossroads (Rm 209)

9:30 AM Children, Youth 3rd Fl), Cornerstone (LFH), Agape (L), Lovett (Rm 208), Bates/Godwin (Rm 213), Young Adult (Rm 211)

10:30 AM Worship Service

5:00-7:00 PM Youth-3rd flr

5:30-7:00 PM Children-3rd flr

Tuesday, September 27

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, September 28

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G

11:00 AM Lunch Bunch, FH

5:00-7:00 PM Wed Nite Café

6:00-6:45 PM-Chancel Choir

6:45-7:30 PM-Voices of Praise

Thursday, September 29

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study-JJ

Friday, September 30

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.
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Central's mission:

Love God
Love others
Serve the world

WHO CAN CROSS?

Luke 16:19-31

Central's mission:

Love God, love others, and serve the world

September 25, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

Please silence electronic devices.

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

Musical Gift "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

Myron/Redmon

Welcome and Announcements

Caroline Coulter

*Call to Worship

Loving God, you are greater than we can understand, but you seek us so that we may know you and be known by you;

Open our eyes that we may see the wonderful truths you have shown to us in Jesus.

You are more loving than our hearts can respond to;

Help us to give ourselves to you in worship so that we learn who you have made us to be.

You are wiser than we can know;

Still our minds as we worship you so that we can understand the things you are saying to us.

In love, you spoke to us through the Law and the Prophets; in love, your Son fulfills all your promises; in love, your Spirit seals us with your word of life!

Loving God, we worship and adore you!

*Opening Hymn "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart,

Give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

(repeat)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong";

Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us."

(repeat)

*Affirmation of Faith

The 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 “Living Waters”

Gettley/Cash

Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters
Tired and broken, Peace unspoken
Rest beside these living waters

Christ is calling, Find refreshing
At the cross of living waters
Lay your life down, All the old gone
Rise up in these living waters

Chorus
There's a river that flows, With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure, Do not fear anymore
Praise the Lord of living waters

Spirit moving, Mercy washing
Healing in these living waters
Lead your children, To the shoreline
Life is in these living waters

Chorus

Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters
Love forgiveness, Vast and boundless
Christ He is our living waters

Chorus

Prayers of the People

Dolly Lively

**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

Alicia Mullican

Special Music “Give Me Jesus”

Arr. R. Dillworth

In the mornin' when I rise, Give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus
you may have all this world,
Give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, Give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus,
you may have all this world,
Give me Jesus.

I heard my mother say/
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
Give me Jesus.

Oh, Jesus.

Oh, when I come to die, Give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus
you may have all this world,
Give me Jesus.

Bible Reading — Luke 16:19-31

Sam Stephenson

**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.**

“There was a certain rich man who clothed himself in purple and fine linen, and who feasted luxuriously every day. At his gate lay a certain poor man named Lazarus who was covered with sores. Lazarus longed to eat the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table. Instead, dogs would come and lick his sores.

“The poor man died and was carried by angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. While being tormented in the place of the dead, he looked up and saw Abraham at a distance with Lazarus at his side. He shouted, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I'm suffering in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember

that during your lifetime you received good things, whereas Lazarus received terrible things. Now Lazarus is being comforted and you are in great pain. Moreover, a great crevasse has been fixed between us and you. Those who wish to cross over from here to you cannot. Neither can anyone cross from there to us.’

“The rich man said, ‘Then I beg you, Father, send Lazarus to my father's house. I have five brothers. He needs to warn them so that they don't come to this place of agony.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets. They must listen to them.’ The rich man said, ‘No, Father Abraham! But if someone from the dead goes to them, they will change their hearts and lives.’ Abraham said, ‘If they don't listen to Moses and the Prophets, then neither will they be persuaded if someone rises from the dead.’”

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message — Who Can Cross?

David Kross

*Closing Hymn #672 “God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again”

God be with you till we meet again;
By his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

***Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.***

God be with you till we meet again;
Neath his wings securely hide you,
Daily manna sill provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

God be with you till we meet again;
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put his arms unfailing round you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

God be with you till we meet again;
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

*Sending Forth

Musical Gift “How Great is Our God”

Arr G. Austin