

Bible Reading for October 3

Mark 10:17-31, Revisit the story of Jesus and the rich man. Why do you think he calls Jesus "good"? What do you think the man was looking for? Have you ever encountered a situation where having money made it more difficult to be a faithful Christian? Who is considered first in our community? Who is last? What might God be prompting you to do after reading this passage?

Wednesday Nite Café September 29nd Menu

Fried Chicken
Tenders, Cole Slaw
Mashed Potatoes, Biscuits,
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



September Financials

Needed Weekly	\$15,559
Received Sept 19	\$6,300
Needed for Sept	\$62,235
Received for Sept	\$29,790

Last Week's Attendance

In-person:	116
Online:	87

Music Director: Susan Thompson

Pianist: Brenda Berryman

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Traditional Spiritual, Arr. Fred Bock c 1966 by Sacred Songs Division of Word Music

"Jesus Loves Me" William B. Bradbury, Arr. Joel Raney c. 2011 Hope Publishing Co.

"This is the Day/ He has Made Me Glad" Les Garrett, Arr. Ron Springer c. 1967 by scripture in Son Division of Integrity Music Inc.

"Hallelu, Hallelu" (Praise Ye the Lord) Arr. © 2008 New Spring, a division of Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing

"Let the Little Children Come" © 1990 Birdwing Music (ASCAP) Distributed by Brentwood Music Publishing, Inc.

Calendar

Sunday, September 26

9:15 AM Crossroads (Rm 209)
9:30 AM Children, Youth 3rd Fl), Cornerstone (LFH), Agape (L), Lovett (Rm 208), Bates/Godwin (Rm 213), Good Fellowship (CH)
10:30 AM Worship Service
3rd Grade Bible Presentations
2 PM- 5 PM Picnic-Looney's

Tuesday, September 28

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
5:30 PM Small Group Music, S
5:30 PM Finance Meeting-L

Wednesday, September 29

5:15 AM Exercise Class, G
5:00 PM Wednesday Nite Café
6:00 PM Wednesday Nite Programming
Children, Youth, Adults

Thursday, September 30

7:00 AM, Men's Java Jaay Bible
8:00-10:00 AM Gleeeful Bible Study-FH

Friday, October 1

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.



Sunday - September 26th



CUMC PICNIC & Fishing

Come One -Come All!!!

Bring your picnic baskets, poles, bait, chairs, hats and coolers and let's find out Who is the fishing champion of Central!

When -- Sunday Sept. 26th

2:00 until 5:00

Where -- The Looney's Farm

Who -- EVERYONE

Why -- Just for Fun!!

The Upside Down Kingdom Sermon Series

September 26: "Where the Children Are Blessed" - Mark 10:13-16

October 3: "Where the Last Are First" - Mark 10:17-31

October 10: "Where the Least are the Greatest" - Mark 10:35-45

October 17: "Where the Blind Can See" - Mark 10:46-52

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.



Central's mission:

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CHURCH



Love God
Love others
Serve the world

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Sunday School - 9:30 AM

Worship - 10:30 AM



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September 26, 2021

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

Please silence electronic devices.

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

Musical Gift "Jesus Loves Me"

William B. Bradbury

Welcome and Announcements

Miriam Smith, John Steven Howell

*Call to Worship

O Lord, open our lips.

And we shall declare your praise.

Opening Hymn #657

"This is the Day"

This is the day (**this is the day**)

that the Lord hath made. (**that the Lord hath made**)

Let us rejoice (**Let us rejoice**)

and be glad in it. (**and be glad in it**)

(all together)

This is the day that the Lord hath made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day (**this is the day**)

(all) that the Lord hath made.

*Affirmation of Faith

Anna Orr, Annie Pylant & Charlotte Stephenson

Children's Creed

**I believe that God is my father in heaven.
I believe that He made the world.
I believe that He gives me life.
I believe that He helps me grow.
I believe that Jesus is the Son of God
and the Son of Mary.
Jesus shows me that God is love.
Jesus lived and died for me.
Jesus is alive now, alive in me and
in my neighbor.
I believe in the Holy Spirit.
Who helps me love others.
Who makes me holy.
Who helps me know God better.
I believe in God's family, the Church.
I believe that I will live happily with God forever and ever.
Amen.**

*Greeting

Hymn Hallelu, Hallelu (Praise Ye the Lord)

arr. Taylor

Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah!
Praise ye the Lord!
Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah!
Praise ye the Lord!

Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah!
Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah!
Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah!
(all) Praise ye the Lord!

Prayers of the People

Lily McMasters & Sadie Bouchillon

**Dear God,
Thank you for today.
You made everything and didn't forget any one of us!
Be with all the people who feel forgotten this morning.
God, sometimes we mess up. We are sorry.
Help us to do better.
You know what we need, may we remember to ask you
for help.
Help us to love each other like Jesus loves us.
Now let us pray together the prayer he taught us...**

**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.**

Lucy Bentley

Children's Message

Debbie Looney

Special Music "Let the Little Children Come"

Hernandez

Presentation of Bibles

Riley Grace Pike and John Steven Howell

Receive the Word of God.
Learn its stories and study its words.
Its stories belong to us all,
and these words speak to us all.
They tell us who we are.
They tell us that we belong to one another,
for we are the people of God.

**We rejoice in this step in your journey with God.
We pray God will guide you, your family, and us
as you use this Holy Bible in your home,
in your church school classes, and in our worship.
We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word**

Bible Reading — Mark 10:13-16

Mary Hyatt Adams & Amelia Mullican

**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.**

People were bringing children to Jesus so that he would bless them.
But the disciples scolded them. When Jesus saw this, he grew angry

and said to them, "Allow the children to come to me. Don't forbid them, because God's kingdom belongs to people like these children. I assure you that whoever doesn't welcome God's kingdom like a child will never enter it." Then he hugged the children and blessed them.

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

Message — "Where the Children Are Blessed"

Miriam Smith

Closing Hymn "Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me! This I know
For the Bible tells me so,
Little ones to him belong;
They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

*Sending Forth

Benediction

Riley Pike, Molly Adams, Sarah Sanders & Katherine Botto

**I believe in God above.
I believe in Jesus' love.
I believe The Spirit, too,
Comes to show me what to do.
I believe that I can be
Kind and gentle,
Lord, like thee**

Musical Gift "This is the Day/He has Made Me Glad"

Les Garrett