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August-October, 2024

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From the Pastor's Pen



Hello Central Family & Friends,

We just wrapped up the Open House Weekend and what a blessing it was to reveal and introduce our renovated sanctuary to Central members of past, present, and hopefully future. Much thanks to all the servants of Central for an incredible weekend. We are truly blessed with a faith community of people who love God and also love God's people. While the Open House Weekend has concluded, our ongoing prayers for the expansion of God's Kingdom at Central continues. Let us join together in lifting up prayers for the Gospel of Jesus Christ to be manifested through the ministry and livelihoods of Central members. Pray that God would add to our membership and provide the church with resources to minister and serve our Steele Creek community. Pray for your full and complete submission to God's sovereign grace in discerning, receiving, and embracing God's plan for your life. Prayer is needed in your personal walk of faith and in the life of the church at Central.

In his book *'Thoughts in Solitude,'* Thomas Merton wrote what has become known as "the Merton Prayer." I hope you will read and meditate on this prayer each day...

"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I

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cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone."

In a few weeks kids will be returning to school for a new year of learning and growing. Prayers for students, teachers, parents, administrators, and staff for a safe and fruitful school year. A new college football season will be kicking off in late August and the NFL teams will follow soon thereafter. Here's hoping for a better season for our Carolina Panthers because based on the results of last season, the team can only get better. Expectations for the Panthers range from being a .500 team to possibly making the playoffs, but the latter expectation seems a bit far-fetched. Without sounding like an arrogant Philadelphia Eagles fan... which, admittedly, can be a difficult proposition... anything less than a Super Bowl championship is a disappointment. All Carolina Panthers fans are welcome to join me on the Eagles bandwagon when the Panthers season ends... sometime in late October. ("Ha Ha") Here's hoping for good seasons from both teams as the passion of NFL football is injected into our collective sports culture.

In Grace & Peace,
Rev. Dr. Mark Lee



Central Steele Creek

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:30am

DEADLINES

*The November-December 2024 issue deadline is
October 15th, 2024.*

Articles received late will be included the next issue.



Donations for

the month of August

Peanut Butter & Jelly

the month of September

Boxed Cereals, Cereal Bars, Grits, Oatmeal

the month of October

*Boxed Baking Mixes: Cornbread, Cake,
Pancake Mix*

UPDATE FROM THE

FINANCE TEAM:

Income to the budget as of 6/30/24: \$183,132

Expenses from the budget as of 6/30/24: \$207,848

Please let the church office know of any changes in your contact information, such as phone number, cell phone number, address, or email address. Thank you!

AUGUST HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Jeanne McGrath

Ushers: Charlotte Burgess, Charlie Bricker

SEPTEMBER HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Mike Brown

Ushers: Judy Brown, Donna Cook

OCTOBER HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Ann Mozingo

Ushers: Reuben Mozingo, Rhonda Weaver

From our director of Music Ministries:



We are all basking in the glow of the celebration Service and weekend. The participation of the volunteers in the variety music groups was amazing. We had the Strings on Saturday and then the bell choir, ensemble, soloists and instrumentalist, some times all playing together, on Sunday morning!

A special shout out to Christian, our Drummer, who offered a beautiful vocal solo. After all that hard work, the handbells and ensemble are taking a break from rehearsals during August.

We will start back in September, which would be a perfect time to either ring with us or sing with us! No experience needed, just show up and join us on Wednesday early evenings. It's the most fun you can have anywhere As we hopefully will enjoy cooler weather, we will be preparing great music for the many special services all the way through Christmas. Come join us!

Much Music and God's Light,
Scott

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In Honor of Glenn & Liz Litaker:

Bud & Pauline Shaney

In memory of Betty Helton: Susan Osmar

*SANCTUARY RENOVATION GRAND OPENING
SATURDAY RIBBON CUTTING & SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
JULY 20 & 21*

Due to the visioning and generosity of so many members our sanctuary renovation project was made possible. Thank you to members, volunteers and "church mice" for all your hard work in planning this event. Our hope and prayers are to attract new worshippers to join us



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Saturday, September 28, 2024

Come join us for a day of fellowship, Bible study, singing, and lunch.

Our Bible study will be on FRIENDSHIP, and what better way to celebrate our friends than by coming together for the day!

We will begin around 9:00 am with meet and greet while enjoying a great cup of coffee and donuts.

Kathy Bricker will lead our study on "Friendship". Charlotte and Rhonda will lead us in some of our favorite retreat songs.

Cathy Lee and Michelle Devine will be our ambassadors to help everyone have a wonderful and meaningful day.

Lunch will be catered followed by a movie.

Expect the day to end around 3:00 pm. SO, mark your calendars for September 28.

This is a **FREE** event sponsored by the Christian Education team.

We will begin taking reservations by September 1. Looking forward to seeing you!!



The following church policies are available in the church office or a PDF version can be requested via email.

- Funeral Policy
- Facility Use Policy
- Gift Acceptance Policy
- Child, Youth & Vulnerable Adult Policy
- Security Policy
- Anti Racism Policy
- Sexual Misconduct Policy & Procedures

Congratulations to the 2024 Church Scholarship Recipients !!!
Michael Lee
Emily Cheek
Matthew Lee

The 2024 Central Steele Creek Church Scholarship (In Memory of Marion Blackwelder) was divided equally and awarded to the two applicants - Michael Lee and Matthew Lee.

There was no applicant for the 2024 Pete and Gertrude Gallant Memorial Scholarship.

However there were 3 recipients from past applicants of the Pete and Gertrude Memorial Scholarships - Michael Lee, Emily Cheek, and Matthew Lee.

All three had excellent grades and were approved for another year award for this year.

Matthew Lee received his 2nd year award as the 2023 Gallant recipient. Matthew is currently attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and is studying toward a degree in Neuroscience.

Emily Cheek received her award as the 2022 Gallant recipient. Emily is studying for her 2nd Master's Degree at Appalachian State University. Emily is the daughter of Andy and Beverly Cheek and granddaughter of Joy Cheek.

Finally, Michael Lee received an award as the 2021 Gallant recipient. Michael is also attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and is studying to obtain a degree in Information Science.

Michael and Matthew are the sons of Reverend Doctor Mark and Minah Lee.

For the benefit of our new members the Pete and Gertrude Memorial Scholarships were established in 2014. The Gallants were long time members of our church and their daughter Carol Gallant has funded the scholarships in their memory. This scholarship is given to the recipient for four consecutive years provided that the student maintains acceptable grades in their field of study.

Marion Blackwelder was the daughter of Charles and Sarah Blackwelder and niece of Jack and Mae Austin, all long time members of Central Steele Creek Church. Marion was a student at Brevard College and died in an automobile accident in December 1979. The Central Steele Creek Scholarship Fund was started in 1984 as a tribute to her memory. The award is made yearly and only the interest is used to finance the scholarship, with the principal remaining untouched. Additional donations are gratefully accepted as the cost of a college education continues to rise..



Birthdays-August

1-Karis Lee
 2-Susan Osmar
 3-Russell Helms, Ann Mozingo
 7-Fred Youngblood
 8-Celia Graham Shepard
 11-Diane Price
 12-Debbie Eargle
 13-John Benton, Jim Cook
 17-Mark Reinbold
 18-Jennifer Burgess Doyle
 19-Brad Chapham
 20-Pam Brooks
 21-Bud Shaney
 25-Donna Winter
 26-Gary Russell
 28-Sandra Burke

Birthdays-September

1-Lauren (Eargle) Shaw
 4-David Dillard, Matt Smith (Jessica)
 7-Marilyn Hege, Pam Wilkerson
 8-Patricia Herrington (Tricia Young)
 11-Michele Devine
 17-Jennifer Hassing
 18-Mary Young
 20-Martha Sigmon, Sharon Wilson, Mary Pat Fowler,
 June Ross
 24-Hayes Shepard
 25-John Williams

Birthdays-October

1-Rick Murphy
 2-Ian Osborne
 23-Sandy Hart, River Gordon
 25-Charlie Bricker
 28-Mollie Carlson
 30-Amber Hillard

Dear Church Family,

There has been a significant increase in requests for "Dare to Care" weekend food bags recently. Please consider making a contribution toward these so hungry children at Steele Creek Elementary and South Pine Academy will have food over the weekends. Mark your donation "Dare to Care".



New Additions to the Fall Session

The Fall Session will be special because we will be adding the Central Children's Community Choir and informal ukulele jam sessions to our many private music lessons and group sculpture classes.

- The Central Children's Community Choir is a free choir for children in k-5 grades, directed by Minah Lee. It will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, starting on September 22nd. We saw how enthusiastically the arts and music campers responded to the opportunity to sing together. Registration is on the centralfinearts.org website.
- Karis Lee is organizing informal ukulele jam sessions to be held on Tuesday evenings. This is open to anyone with some ukulele experience. More information will be available this fall.

The CFAA reputation for quality and affordable lessons in a caring environment is growing. Students range from kindergarten age through adults. The variety of private music lessons includes piano, voice, guitar, drums, violin, and ukulele. Sculpture is available for small group or private lessons. Most popular are piano lessons. We expect that we will see an increase in numbers over the 2023-2024 sessions which had 50 – 55 students and 60 lessons being held each week. We know that many of our campers are interested in lessons. Our director, Joni Turner, has provided strong leadership to handle this growth - in lessons, students and teachers.

Fall session which will start in August. The session will be from September 14th to December 10th. The Showcase will be on Friday, December 13th. More information will be posted at Centralfinearts.org.

The CFAA provides a positive and creative environment for children and adults in the Steele Creek community and surrounding areas. It also is an important way that we can connect with young families and provide the nurture and support that a faith community provides. These are opportunities for you to help:

- Try out a new experience by signing up for lessons for yourself or a family member. They are for all ages. Central members receive a discount.
- Help monitor the classes so that CFAA can meet the youth protection requirements.
- Share information about the CFAA programs with family, friends or on social media.
- Be a member of the church oversight board.

Please contact Jeanne Smith (jesmith8412@gmail.com) to volunteer or for more information.

CENTRAL FINE *arts* ACADEMY



Fall 2024 Session

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Sculpture classes: \$35 per 90 minute class

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For more information and
registration on-line at
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EACH MONTH
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**SEPTEMBER 22, 2024
10:30 – 11:30 AM**

FREE FOR CHILDREN IN K-5

Performances by the children's choir held
December 2024 / May 2025

Registration form coming in

August 2024 to

Central Fine Arts Academy Website:

centralfinearts.org

CENTRAL FINE *Arts* ACADEMY

Naturally Creative: Arts and Music Camp

The Central Fine Arts Academy (CFAA) held its first Naturally Creative Arts and Music Camp on June 17th – 21st.

The camp was designed for elementary students who are interested in the arts. We had a wonderful and diverse group of 27 students, ages 5 – 12. The children were divided into 2 groups: 5-7 years old and 8 – 12. Seven of the children attended on a 50% scholarship, based on financial need.

The camp program:

The days were full.

In the morning, the students had 2 lessons: art and sculpture.

In the afternoon, the 2 music lessons (drums for all; ukulele for the older group and chimes for the younger) were followed by yoga.

The camp day ended with all the campers together for choir.

On Friday afternoon, the camp concluded with a Showcase performance and display of their art work.

It was amazing what the students learned in just a few days. This is a tribute to the students but also the teachers.

Our church members: Minah Lee (choir and chimes), Karis Lee (ukulele), Pam Murphy (sculpture) were outstanding in bringing out the best in the children. They were joined by Ian Reilly (CFAA drum & guitar instructor), Amy Spurling (art) and Michele Hoag (yoga).

Student and parent feedback:

We were pleased on how well the campers participated in the camp activities and got along with the other campers.

Please see below some of the feedback provided by parents/guardians.

- Loved it! From ukulele to clay
- All three children really enjoyed the camp
- My daughter enjoyed her camp experience very much. She did not have a favorite teacher as she loved and had a positive experience with all. She loved learning the chimes and we were very impressed by her sculpture and voice. We very much appreciate the affordable aspect of this camp as without that we would not be able to offer these

wonderful opportunities to our kids. The community really showed up and the diversity of this group is very much appreciated as well.

- Our daughter loved the camp, she asked me if she could go this week as well! Thank you and all the amazing teachers and lessons.

Thank you for all who helped make the camp possible:

The camp required many volunteers who encouraged the children and provided individualized attention as well as meeting the requirements of the Child and Youth Protection Policy.

Thank you to Michele Devine, Cathy Lee, Ingrid Coes, Carolyn Rogers, Pat Hart, Rick Murphy, and Marge Ullmer.

Six youth volunteers were a big help with logistics, snacks, clean-up and engaging with the campers, including William Cook, Michele Devine's grandchildren: Reilly and Gray, Jeanne Smith's granddaughters: Adeline and Elsa, and Bryson Granger.

Thank you, Central members and staff who made this possible. Most of the church teams were involved in the preparation.

Key to the planning and preparation was the CFAA Board of Directors: Michele Devine, Pat Hart, Chris Knapp, Cathy Lee, and Rick Murphy.

Central was awarded a grant from the Charlotte Presbytery Hamilton Fund which allowed us to purchase ukuleles, drum sticks and arts supplies.



Sincerely,
Joni Turner, CFAA director and
Jeanne Smith, CFAA Board

Friday Showcase

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*Worshipping and Serving Christ in
the Heart of Steele Creek.*

On May 13th, 2024, The highly successful Mighty Acts Charity Golf Tournament was held, raising an impressive \$10,000 to support children and families in crisis in our community.

The event, hosted at Edgewater Golf Club and brought together avid golfers and charitable supporters alike.

Participants enjoyed a day of food, fun and fellowship, knowing that the funds raised will have a meaningful impact in our community.

The tournament featured various contests and prizes, adding to the excitement and engagement of the day.

Generous sponsors contributed significantly to the fundraising efforts, with their support acknowledged throughout the event.

A tournament listing of sponsors follows. (pg 13)

Winners of the tournament are as follows:

1ST PLACE TEAM – Rob Vojvoda Team

- 4 - \$100 Gift Cards provided by the Mighty Acts Class

2ND PLACE TEAM – Johnny Burgess Jr. Team

- 4 - \$50 Gift Cards provided by the Mighty

Acts Class

3RD PLACE TEAM – Jimmy Burgess Team

- 4 - \$25 Gift Cards provided by the Mighty Acts Class

MEN'S LONGEST DRIVE – Michael Morgan Jr.

- Prize Pack – valued at \$150 – Gift Certificate from Cheesecake Factory, \$50 Certificate from OMB, and Gift Certificate from Muddy River Distillery Carolina Rum Tour Certificate

LADIES LONGEST DRIVE – Leslie Brandon

- Gift Bag from Graper Harper Cosmetics South Park valued at \$150

SENIOR LONGEST DRIVE – Mark Cybowski

- Taylor Wedge Valued at \$170 from Victory Custom Golf in Lake Wylie

MEN'S CLOSEST TO THE PIN – Larry Smith

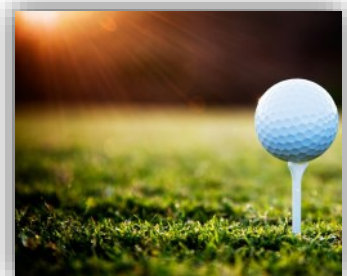
- A day pass for 2 to the US National White-water Center valued at \$179 from the US National Whitewater Center.

LADIES CLOSEST TO THE PIN –
Leslie Brandon

- Necklace and Bracelet from Kendra Scott South Park valued at \$150

Best Effort Award - Tyler Klutz Team

- Prize Pack of Gift Certificates



2024 Mighty Acts Charity Golf Tournament

Sponsors

Tournament Prizes:

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ORDER OF EVENTS

8:00 Registration
8:45 Welcome & Announcements
9:00 Shotgun Start
2:00 Lunch
2:30 Post-Game Awards / Raffle
Tickets available all day for the 50/50 Raffle!
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Welcome to Boy Scout Troop 45! Our troop has been serving youth in southwest Mecklenburg County for over 50 years.

We like to camp, climb, shoot, mountain bike, backpack, snowboard, wakeboard, and just about anything else you can do outdoors.

We are sponsored by Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, located at 9401 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Our troop meetings are held Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the church Fellowship Hall.

If you are a young man that is interested in joining us, you need to be 11-18 years old.

Please contact Lynn Snuggs, Scoutmaster, Troop 45
704-936-7894



The Personnel Team would like to recognize the wonderful employees we have:

Rev. Dr. Mark Lee, our newly minted Doctor of Divinity

Lynne Thompson, our relatively new Administrative Assistant

Lauren Perkin, our incredible Financial Administrator

Scott McKenzie, our very talented Director of Music

Christian Dodd our gifted percussionist

Joni Turner, our Director of the Central Fine Arts Academy

Anthony Tucker, our Custodian,

Erin Osborne, our Children's Activity Director

Donna Young, our Financial Secretary

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