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Hello Central Family & Friends,



The school is out for the year and that means summer break has officially begun. I hope your children and grandchildren had a fruitful and productive school year and looking forward to a summer filled with fun and relaxation. Before you know it, "Back-to-School" will be upon us. During this summer, as you make plans to travel and spend time with your family & friends, make plans to draw closer to God in times of worship, praise, and prayer. When we possess the indwelling power and presence of the Holy Spirit, God will fill our hearts, minds, and lives with unshakeable hope amid our struggles and challenging circumstances. Paul tells us in Romans 5:5, "Hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." I pray that this summer will be your opportunity to encounter and experience the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit in your journey of life and faith.

In the next couple of months, I will be finishing up my current sermon

series, "Journey of Faith," and then I will begin a new series, "Provision of Psalms." The Book of Psalms expresses worship and encourages the readers to remain worshipful. The primary purpose of the Book of Psalms is to guide its readers in expressing their spiritual experiences within the context of faith and worship. It serves as a manual for prayer, praise, lament, and thanksgiving, reflecting the range of human emotions from joy to sorrow. It also provides a framework for relating to God in both good times and difficult times. Throughout its many pages, Psalms encourages its readers to praise God for who He is and what He has done. The Psalms manifest the greatness of our God, affirm His faithfulness to us in challenging times, and remind us of the absolute centrality of His infallible Word. The portrayal of worship in the Psalms offers us glimpse of repentant hearts devoted to God, and lives changed through daily encounters and interactions with Him. I hope you can join me throughout these summer months as we worship our God in Spirit and in Truth.

In Grace & Peace, Rev. Dr. Mark Lee



July-September 2025

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:30am

DEADLINES

The October—December 2025 issue deadline is **September 12, 2025.**

Articles received late will be included the next issue.

Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am
Articles received late will be included the next week.

July 4th - Independence Day



July 28th - Parents Day



July HEAD ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Charlie Bricker **Ushers:** Sandy Hart, Pat Hart

August ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Andy Cheek

Ushers: Charlote Burgess, Carolyn Rogers

August 3 Homebound Communion Servers:

Johnny Burgess, Chris Knapp, Charlie Bricker, Sandy Hart, Andy Cheek, Charlotte Burgess

September ELDER & USHERS

Head Usher: Mike Brown

Ushers: Judy Brown, Donna Cook

September 2nd - Labor Day



September 18th - Grandparents Day



MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In memory of Lynn Snuggs Troop 45: David Graham

In memory of Bud Shaney: George & Marilyn Hege

In memory of Burns Taylor: George & Marilyn Hege

In memory of Adam Wilson: Sandra Burke, Joy Cheek, Barry & Barbara Choate, Bus & Susan Hunter, Ken & Diane Price, Dorthy Williams, Bill & Donna Young

In memory of Joy Cheek's Brother-In-Law: Ken & Diane Price

In memory of Phyllis Garner: Circle of Friends, Bob & Susan Hunter, Ken & Diane Price

In honor of Susan Osmar: Ralph Neely

In honor of Charles Wilkerson: Ralph Neely



FROM THE FINANCE TEAM:

Income to the budget as of 5/31/25: \$155,574

Expenses from the budget as of 5/31/25: \$166,385

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



Birthdays-July

- 3 MaryJane Palmer
- 4 Teresa Canipe
- 8 Hudson Andrew Shaw
- 10 Jack Wilcoxon
- 14 Shelia Rogers
- 15 Canyon Gordon
- 16 Ruby Potts
- 18 Andy Cheek
- 19 Phil Wilson
- 20 Jean Taylor
- 26 Hang Dao
- 26 Fredia Butler
- 27 Mike Arnold

Birthdays-August

- 1 Karis Lee
- 2 Susan Osmar
- 3 Rusell Helms
- 7 Ann Mozingo
- 11 Diane Price
- 13 Debbie Eargle
- 13 John Benton
- 13 Jim Cook
- 15 Banks Wilson
- 17 Mark Reinbold
- 18 Jennifer Birgess Doyle
- 20 Pam Brooks
- 25 Donna Winter

Birthdays-September

- 1 Lauren Shaw
- 4 David Dillard
- 4 Matt Smith
- 7 Marilyn Hege
- 7 Pam Wilkerson
- 8 Patricia Herrington
- 11 Michele Devine
- 18 Mary Young
- 20 Martha Sigmon
- 20 Sharon Wilson
- 20 Mary Pat Fowler
- 24 Hayes Shepard
- 25 John Williams

Church Office Closed

July 4th & September 2nd



Donations for the month of July

Canned Fruits and Juices

the month of August

Peanut Butter & Jelly

the month of September

Boxed Cereals (Cereal Bars, Grits, Oatmeal)

WORSHIP TEAM CLASSIFIED ADS

<u>Wanted</u> – Friendly, welcoming souls to assist in ushering on Sunday morning. No experience needed.

Wanted – those who enjoy reading... Scripture.

<u>Wanted</u> – those who wish to serve the body and blood of Christ – also known as the sacrament of Communion. Training provided.

Respond to Chris Knapp, chair of Worship team; or any member of the Worship team: Charlotte Burgess, Sandy Hart, Michele Devine, Rhonda Weaver.

Thank you to June Ross for sharing her gift of sign language on Sunday mornings, when she is available. You may not be able to "read" sign language, but it is her way of worshiping God and we are blessed by her offerings.

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!



The Boy Scout Troop 45 has some exciting things planned for the summer and early fall.

We meet every Wednesday at 6:30 at the Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. We are located at 9401 South Tryon St. on the corner of Tryon and Westinghouse. Please drop by on any Wednesday.

On June 22-28th we will be going to summer camp at Camp Grimes. We will be bringing home some rank advancement and merit badges, like Fish and Wildlife Management, Camping and Indian Lore.

We also have <u>Eagle Scout projects</u> planned that are focused on our church. One Eagle project is a cleanup of the Blackstock Cemetery's headstones and grounds. The other Eagle project is a refreshing of our outdoor basketball court.

On Wednesday, <u>August 27th</u> at 6:30, we will be having an <u>Open House</u> where we will be welcoming new boys to our troop!

On Wednesday, <u>September 24th</u> at 6:30 we are planning a <u>Court of Honor</u>. This is where we award the achievements of the scouts. All are welcome to attend.

If you know of a boy that is 11 years old or older, they are eligible to join Troop 45.

Please contact our Troop 45 scoutmaster, Gary Rodgers at 704-605-0514, or Charlie Bricker at 704-654-0919.

Church Scholarship Award



Congratulations to Matthew Lee!!

Matthew was awarded this year's Central Steele Creek Church Scholarship (In Memory of Marion Blackwelder).

Matthew is a rising Junior at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the son of Rev. Dr. Mark Lee and Minah Lee.

Also Matthew was awarded his 3rd year award for the Pete and Gertrude Memorial Scholarship.

- For benefit of our new members Marion Blackwelder was the daughter of Charles and Sarah Blackwelder and niece of Jack and Mae Austin. She 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 award with the remaining principal untouched.
- The Pete and Gertrude Gallant Memorial Scholarship was established in 2014.
 The Gallants were long time members of our church, and their daughter Carol
 Gallant has funded the scholarship in their honor. The scholarship is given to
 the student for four consecutive years providing the student maintains acceptable grades in their field of study.

Upcoming Events

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On <u>Thursday</u>, <u>August 21, 2025</u>, The Christian Ed & Fellowship Team's will host a free Dinner/Movie Night for Adults.

Watch for more details to come.





The **Boy Scouts (Troop 45)** will be having a fall **Yard Sale**.

October 11th - 7am - Noon

Tables are still only \$20.



LADIES RETREAT Angels Among Us

Everyone knows that angels have wings, usually carry harps, and that each of us has our own angel. Right?



Join us on <u>Saturday, October 4th</u> in our Family Life Center for our Ladies Fall Retreat to learn more about these amazing gifts of God.

This one day **FREE** event will be filled with a Bible study on Angels, coffee, lunch, and a movie.

It will be a time for fellowship as we reconnect with our friends!

So, bring your friends and join us on October 4th. Registration will begin July 27th.



WORSHIP TEAM NEWS

September 1, 2025 has been designated as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation by the Presbyterian Church USA. We will observe this day at the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, August 31, 2025.

There are many biblical references to caring for creation, mostly in Genesis. In chapter 2:15 God places Adam in the garden to "till it and keep it". A better translation from the Hebrew is "to serve it and to preserve it".

According to Revelation, God's work in the world is "make all things new", to bring about a new creation that does not destroy the old but transforms it and renews it. If the church is the sign of the new creation, then the church must lead the way in caring for creation.

A prayer for this day, or whenever you feel the Spirit moving you to think about God's creation:

All-powerful God, You are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace. Amen.

May 19, 2025 Mighity Acite

42nd Annual Golf Tournament

Dear Beloved Church Family,

On behalf of the entire Mighty Acts
Charity Golf Tournament Committee, I
want to extend our sincerest gratitude
for your incredible support of our 42nd
Annual tournament! Thanks to your
generous spirit and unwavering
commitment, we're thrilled to
announce that we raised just
over \$10,000 this year!

Your contributions came in so many invaluable forms, and each one made a significant impact. We're grateful for your heartfelt **prayers**, which uplifted us throughout the planning and execution.

The numerous sponsorships you secured were instrumental in our success, and the wonderful raffle gifts and delicious desserts you provided added so much joy to the day.

To those who **volunteered** their time to help prepare lunch and to those who gave their time on the day of the event, your efforts were truly a blessing.

It was a beautiful day for golf, with perfect weather that allowed all **84 players** to tee off and enjoy the course. The camaraderie and spirit of fellowship were truly inspiring.

Every single one of you played a vital role in making this year's tournament a resounding success. Your support allows us to continue our important work in the community, and we are profoundly grateful for your dedication.

With heartfelt thanks, The Mighty Acts Class

Link to the golfer slideshow: May 19, 2025 Mighty Acts 42nd Annual Golf Tournament



May 19, 2025 Mighty Acts 42nd Annual Golf Tournament SPONSORS

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- Ann & Reuben Mozingo
- Larry Arbuckle
- John & Deborah Benton



May 19, 2025 Mighty Acts 42nd Annual Golf Tournament Donations

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Golfer Goodie Bags:

Ken & Diane Price, Beverly & Andy Cheek, Chip Gause, Johnny & Charlotte Burgess, Bill & Donna Young, Pat & Sandy Hart, Sandra Burke, Michele Devine, Jeanne Smith, Becky & Russell Helms, Rick & Pam Murphy, Chet & Chris Knapp, Reuben & Ann Mozingo, Lester & Rhonda Weaver, Mark & Minah Lee, Park Pointe Village





May 19, 2025 Mighty Acts 42nd Annual Golf Tournament Photos











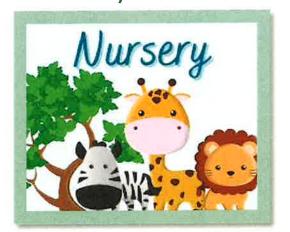


The Christian Education Team is in need of volunteers to help keep the <u>nursery</u> during worship.

Volunteers are also needed to teach a <u>Children's Sunday School</u> <u>Class</u>. Even though we don't have children right now, we want to be prepared for visitors. You may be assigned a month but never have to teach.

In accordance with the Child and Youth Protection Policy, we have to have two people in the nursery. If you want to volunteer but have not received the Child and Youth Protection training, please reach out to a member of the Christian Education Team.

If you volunteer for the nursery, you will be assigned a Sunday but will not have to stay in the nursery if there are no children that Sunday. The need for volunteers for the nursery is during Worship Service on Sunday.





If you are willing to help serve as a Sunday School teacher or nursery volunteer, please contact Charlotte Burgess @ 704 578-8098.

Central Fine Arts Academy Looking forward to summer and celebrating with the spring students

We invite you to engage with the wonderful arts and music program that we have at Central each week. 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.

This Summer:

Private music lessons and group sculpture and drawing/painting classes are <u>available</u> <u>for all ages.</u> Our teachers are experienced educators as well as musicians and artists. 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.

The **Summer Academy** offers a short session of 6 classes in July and August to explore your creative side. We have a talented new guitar teacher whom you will enjoy working with as well as our piano, voice, violin, and art teachers. Please see the flyer for more information.

The CFAA **Summer Camp, Naturally Creative, Exploring Art and Music** was held in June.

The camp offered a variety of art and music activities for elementary age students to explore and enjoy with a nature theme.

- Art through sculpture, drawing, painting and origami
- Music through drumming, chimes, ukulele, and choir.

Look for a report about this wonderful experience in the next newsletter.

Help us grow for the fall: In August, we will start the promotion for the Fall music and art lessons. Please help us find new ways to reach our community about our excellent program. Invite people to participate. Share flyers with neighbors, family & friends on social media. Adults also are needed to greet and sign-in students and help monitor the classes. Please volunteer to take a 2 hour period on Tuesday evenings or Saturday afternoons. Please contact Jeanne Smith (jesmith8412@gmail.com) for more information.

This Past Spring:

Central Children's Community Choir. In May, we heard the beautiful voices of the children's choir during our worship service. Minah, with the support of Karis, practiced with these children during the spring months. Karis taught the children ukulele for an added surprise to both the congregation and their parents. The children were so joyful.

Showcasing Student Talent for the Winter/Spring Session

We concluded the 2025 Winter/Spring Session for the Central Fine Arts Academy (CFAA) with student performances on May 9thth. The Showcase was a special time when we celebrated what the students have learned.

The academy has been operating for 6 years. Our students ranged from kindergarten age through adults. Many are elementary students being introduced to individual music and art experiences for the first time. The music and art classes included piano, voice, guitar, drums, violin and sculpture. Drawing and painting were added this session. Our director, Joni Turner, has provided strong leadership in coordinating lessons schedules, students and teachers.

Thank you for the many volunteers who are there each Tuesday and Saturday to observe and support the students. This includes Sandy and Pat Hart, Judy and Mike Brown, Ann Mozingo, Cathy Lee, Carolyn Rogers, Michele Devine and Chris Knapp.

Community Arts Programs with the Steele Creek Library

Central Fine Arts Academy was invited by the Steele Creek Library to participate in a Community Arts program for children. In each of our 4 sessions, a theme was chosen. The music or art experience was accompanied by a storybook read by a librarian. Our teachers taught on 4 Saturdays: Anne Brooks (Rhythm and drumming), Gregory Geiger (Creating a song) and Pam Murphy (Turtle Sculptures).



CFAA Showcase: Violin students with teacher Gail Boyer







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For more information and registration on-line at

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