This Week at Central, August 16–22, 2009

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
		(Mary Shoemaker, Sheryl Mullenax, Beth Blackmer)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Monday	5:00 p.m.	Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Lay Leadership Committee (Connections)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee (Heritage Room)
Wednesday	10:00–11:30	Food Pantry
	6:00 p.m.	Women's NA (Eagon Hall)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
Friday		**Newsletter Deadline**
	6:00 p.m.	Single Mingle (Pano's)
	8:15 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
Saturday	6:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Spam, hash, pineapple, pears, mandarin oranges, fruit cocktail, spinach, greens, shampoo/conditioner, bath soap. Also needed: clean, empty 16 oz. water/drink bottles with lids. (You are touching many lives through your gifts!)

GREETERS: Jo Ann and Benham Black **READER:** Anita Jackson
COMMUNION: Jack and Wanda True; Tom and Connie Davis
USHERS: Bob Markley, Vince Ennis, Sam Richardson, Ken Beals, Richard Hamrick, Jim Clemmer, John Ambrogi, Ben True, Eric Stumb, Bill Bushman, Josh Gutshall, Tommy Rosen

IN MINISTRY

General Ministers	370
Pastor	Stephanie M Sault
Pastoral Assistant	Daniel K. Purdom
Retired Missionary Professor	Hunter P. Mabry
Professor MBC	Kenneth A. Beals
Minister of Music/Organist	Sherry von Oeyen
Church Secretary	Agnes Campbell
Custodian	Janet Nuckoles
District Superintendent	Kathleen Overby Webster
Resident Bishop	Charlene Payne Kammerer

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Create in me a pure heart, O God,

and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Psalm 51:10

Morning Worship

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 16, 2009 *11:00 a.m.*

The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude:. . . . . "Be Thou My Vision"
arr. R. W. Thygerson

*Greeting. . . . . (Prieres D'Ozawamick, Canadian Indian)

You have come from afar and waited long
and are wearied.
Let us sit side by side,
sharing the same bread drawn from
the same source,
to quiet the same hunger
that makes us weak.
Then standing together
let us share the same Spirit, the same thoughts
that once again draw us together
in friendship and unity and peace.

*Hymn 616.. . "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"

*Opening Prayer.. . . . . from Hymn 543

Right Side: **O Breath of Life,**
come sweeping through us,
revive your church with life and power.

Left Side: **O Breath of Life, come,**
cleanse, renew us, and fit your church
to meet this hour.

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**Please Stand as Able*

Right Side: **O Wind of God, come, bend us, break us,**
till humbly we confess our need.

Left Side: **Then in your tenderness remake us;**
revive, restore, for this we plead.

Right Side: **O Breath of Love, come, breathe within us,**
renewing thought and will and heart.

Left Side: **Come, love of Christ, afresh to win us;**
revive your church in every part.

All: **Amen, may it be so.**

Children's Focus

Proclamation and Response

Prayer for Illumination
(After the reading of the Scripture Lesson the reader will say: "This is the Word of the Lord."
The congregation responds: ***Thanks be to God****.)*

First Reading. . . . . 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 (Pew Bible, Page 265)

Psalter 832. . . . . Psalm 111

Second Reading. . . . . Ephesians 5:15-20 (Pew Bible, Page 952)

Musical Offering . . . . . Gene Blackmer and David Sault, guitar

*Gospel Reading. . . . . John 6:51-58 (Pew Bible, Page 868)

Sermon. . . . . Rev. Dr. Stephanie M. Sault

Response to the Word

Pastoral Prayer and Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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, forever. Amen.

The Peace

By dying, Christ destroyed our death; in rising, he restores our life;
in giving us his Spirit, he grants us peace. The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer
(Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.)

Offering: "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread". . . . . arr. Garrett Parker

*Congregational Response: Hymn 94. . . "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Affirmation of Faith. . . . . Page 882

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Invitation

Celebration of Holy Communion. . . . . Pages 17-18, Musical Setting A
Hymns: 382; 397

Sending Forth

*Hymn 385. . . . . "Let Us Plead for Faith Alone"

*Blessing and Sending Forth

*Congregational Response: Hymn 2260 *The Faith We Sing*. . . . . "Let Us Be Bread"
Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, broken and shared, Life for the world.
Let us be wine, love freely poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

*Postlude: "Trumpet Voluntary". . . . . John Bennett

TO OUR GUESTS: We are delighted to have you worship with us. All the opportunities and programs of Central are available to you. To become a member of this fellowship, please talk with the pastor after the service. Following the service will be a time of refreshment and fellowship. Please join us so that we might get better acquainted.

YOU ARE INVITED to join us for an informal welcoming reception following worship today as we welcome our new Pastoral Assistant, Dan Purdom.

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT to sign the attendance slip in your pew; and, if you are a member here, please introduce yourself to anyone who might be visiting with us today. Your warmth and hospitality will be a blessing in someone's life today.

THE COMMUNION RAIL is open for prayer at any time, but particularly during the pastoral prayer, during Communion, during the final hymn, and after the worship service. If you would like the pastor to pray with you, please let her know.

CHILDREN are invited to worship with their parents in the Sanctuary. Following the Children's Focus, children under 6 years of age may go to the play room. Later, during the Doxology, they will be brought back into the Sanctuary to participate with their parents in the Great Thanksgiving and receiving the Lord's Supper. We welcome the participation of the youngest members of the family of faith.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST? Please note it in our Prayer Book (located in the Narthex), and our prayer ministry team will join you in praying for the person/need.

THE FLOWERS today are in honor of Ed and Carolyn Smith's 42nd Wedding Anniversary given by Candy, Ben, Evan, Jennifer, and Delaney.

SINGLE MINGLE . . . All single adults are invited to meet for dinner at Pano's, (3190 S. Main St., Harrisonburg) on Friday, August 21, 6:00 p.m. Those who would like to car pool should meet at Terry Court at 5:15 p.m. Please feel free to bring a friend!

OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP (Aug. 9) Attendance: 90
Income received toward budgeted expenses: $5,030.50

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY . . . God may be opening a door for you to be in ministry! Here are some "mini-ministries" that make a maximum difference in the life of the church:

1. Someone to keep up the visitor "welcome" bags.
2. Someone to change bulletin boards and update announcements.
3. Someone to monitor movie and CD check outs.
4. Someone (or a group) to send out birthday cards, get well and/or sympathy cards to members of the congregation.

Please pray about your willingness to enter into one of these ministries. Let me know if you would like more information. –Pastor Stephanie, 886-3441

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED . . . The Trustees are excited to announce that work is almost completed on the third floor of the Education Building. However, there will be work that needs to be done before we can start using the classrooms again---moving furniture into the rooms, cleaning and dusting all the furniture, hanging blinds, etc. We would like to complete this work the last week of August, so please check your calendars--we will have work for men and women, and will need all the help we can get. We will announce a work day soon. If you have any questions contact Ed Smith.

CHURCH TABLES . . . The United Methodist Men, with the blessing of the Trustees, are spearheading an effort to replace our folding tables. The ones we have presently are heavy and difficult to manage when they need to be frequently taken down and put up for many different church events. In addition, a number are in need of repair. The replacement tables will be made of a much lighter, but durable, material. The total cost will be approximately $2300.

The UMMen will be sponsoring a luncheon on Sunday August 30 as a fund raiser, and we hope everyone will be able to attend, and contribute generously. We have already received a donation from the United Methodist Women, and a pledge from the Wesley Fellowship Sunday School class, as well as from a member of the class. Anyone wishing to contribute should see Ed Smith. The cost of each individual table will be approximately $75. Also, if you are interested in purchasing any of the old tables, please see Ed Smith.

STREET FAIR on Stafford Street, Saturday, August 22, 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Featuring food, family fun, crafts, and live entertainment. Please pick up a flyer in the Gathering Area with all the details and support this exciting grass-roots-sponsored event!