THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL, AUGUST 30—SEPTEMBER 5, 2009

SUNDAY	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
		(Mary Shoemaker, Beth Blackmer, Heather Walden, Heidi Dorn)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		Following Worship: Chili Fund Raiser Lunch
MONDAY	5:00 p.m.	Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Endowment Committee (Connections)
TUESDAY	7:00 p. m.	Witness Committee (Connections)
WEDNESDAY	10:00–11:30	Food Pantry
	6:00 p.m.	Lay Leadership Committee (Connections)
	6:00 p.m.	Women's NA (Eagon Hall)
	7:30 p.m.	Fall Festival Committee (Connections)
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Volunteers moving & cleaning furniture, 3rd floor
	7:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
Friday	8:15 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
SATURDAY		(No UMM today – will meet on Sept. 12)
	6:30 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Chili, hash, beef stew, ramen noodles, pineapple, mandarin oranges, yams, spinach, greens, tomatoes. (This is an ongoing ministry–and we appreciate your loving support!)

IN MINISTRY

General Ministers. 373
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
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Morning Worship

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 30, 2009 *11:00 a.m.*

The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude. . . Partita on "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
arr. Franklin D. Ashdown

*Greeting. . . . . *U. M. Book of Worship*
Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,
that He may teach us His ways and
that we may walk in His paths.

*Hymn 408.. . . . . "The Gift of Love"

*Opening Prayer.. . . . . *Fred Gealy/Laurence Stookey*
Glorious God,
source of joy and righteousness,
enable us as redeemed and forgiven children
evermore to rejoice in singing your praises.
Grant that what we sing with our lips
we may believe in our hearts,
and what we believe in our hearts
we may practice in our lives;
so that being doers of the Word
and not hearers only,
we may receive everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children's Focus

**Please Stand as Able*

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. . . . . Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (Pew Bible, Page 544)

Psalter 795. . . . . Psalm 72

Second Reading. . . . . James 1:17-27 (Pew Bible, Page 980)

Musical Offering: "Hear My Prayer" . . . . . Puccini / Giles
Jennifer Reed, Soloist

*Gospel Reading. . . . . Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (Pew Bible, Page 818)

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

Congregational Response: "Create In Me a Clean Heart". . . . . Insert

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: "Thanksgiving". . . . . Grieg / Smith

*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: 402, 640

Sending Forth

*Hymn 399. . . . . "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

*Blessing and Sending Forth

*Congregational Response: Hymn 2166 *The Faith We Sing*. . . . . "Christ Beside Me"

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me–King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me–never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me–shield in the strife;
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising–light of my life.

*Postlude: "Trumpet Tune in D". . . . . Martha Sobaje

GREETERS: Carolyn and Ed Smith **READER:** Bill Bushman
COMMUNION: Anita Jackson, Barbara Snyder; Carolyn and Ed Smith
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

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.

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.

LUNCH TODAY

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

Featuring Chili, Baked Potatoes, & Salad

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Our United Methodist Men invite everyone to their special fund raiser luncheon today. (Donations will benefit the fund for new tables.)

THE FLOWERS are from the wedding of Kay Hill and Andy Foy which was held in our Sanctuary August 29.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THURSDAY, SEPT. 3, 9:00 a.m. The Trustees are excited to announce that work is almost completed on the third floor of the Education Building. Now we need to clean and dust all the furniture and move it back into the rooms, and we'll need all the help we can get (men and women!). If you have any questions contact Ed Smith.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES . . . Some of the "mini ministries" make a maximum difference in the life of the church. We're looking for additional volunteers in the following areas:

1. Someone to change bulletin boards and update announcements.
2. Someone to monitor movie and CD check outs.
3. Additional Readers.
4. Additional Greeters.
5. Additional volunteers to help with refreshments.

Please contact Pastor Stephanie if you would like more information.

CHURCH TABLES . . . The United Methodist Men, with the blessing of the Trustees, are spearheading an effort to replace our folding tables. Our old ones are heavy and difficult to manage when they need to be 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 and will have a total cost of approximately $2300. Each table will cost approximately $75. Anyone wishing to contribute should see Ed Smith. Also, please contact Ed if you are interested in purchasing any of the old tables.

THANK YOU . . . The Creger family would like to extend many thanks to our church family for the prayer-quilt, visits and prayers, phone calls, flowers, and cards. Jim is progressing with his therapy and we are seeing a lot of improvement.

OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP (Aug. 23) Attendance: 96
Income received toward budgeted expenses: $2,041.00