

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL, JUNE 14–20, 2009

SUNDAY 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 (Nursery: Cheryl Kent, Connie Davis, Heather Walden, Heidi Dorn)
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
 Following Worship: Single Mingle (Applebee's)
 7:00 p.m. Opening Service of Annual Conference (Norfolk, VA)

Sunday through Thursday – Virginia Annual Conference (Norfolk)

MONDAY 5:00 p.m. Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
WEDNESDAY 10:00–11:30 Food Pantry Open
 10:30 a.m. Qigong Exercise
 6:00 p.m. Women's NA (Eagon Hall)
 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
FRIDAY 8:15 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)
SATURDAY 6:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Eagon Hall)

IN MINISTRY

General Ministers..... 368
 Pastor..... Stephanie M Sault
 Lay Assistant to the Pastor..... Donna R. Huffer
 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

*The Mission
 of Central UMC
 is to make disciples
 of Jesus Christ.*

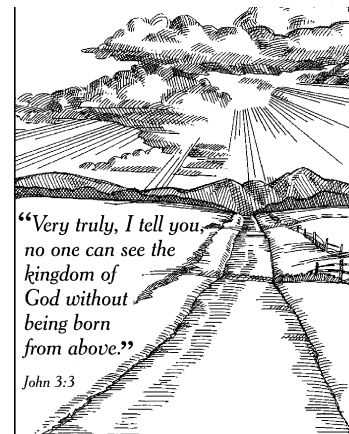


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“Very truly, I tell you,
 no one can see the
 kingdom of
 God without
 being born
 from above.”
 John 3:3

Morning Worship
Second Sunday after Pentecost
 June 14, 2009 11:00 a.m.

The Entrance

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude..... “Gather Us In”
 John A. Behnke

*Greeting..... *The U. M. Book of Worship*
 Sing praises to God, O you saints,
 and give thanks to God’s holy name!
**We exalt you, O God,
 for you have restored us to life!**

*Hymn 368..... “My Hope Is Built”

*Opening Prayer..... *The United Methodist Hymnal*

**Thou who art over us,
 Thou who art one of us,
 Thou who art:
 Give me a pure heart,
 that I may see thee;
 a humble heart,
 that I may hear thee;
 a heart of love,
 that I may serve thee;
 a heart of faith,
 that I may abide in thee. 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. 1 Samuel 15:34–16:13 (Pew Bible, Page 226)

Psalter 794. Psalm 71

Second Reading. 2 Corinthians 5:6-17 (Pew Bible, Page 939)

Musical Offering: "Not Too Far From Here". Lacy and Silef
Sherrie Shoemaker, Soloist

*Gospel Reading. Mark 4:26-34 (Pew Bible, Page 815)

Sermon. Rev. Dr. Stephanie 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: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing". Beteman and Young
Chancel Choir

*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 880

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Invitation

Celebration of Holy Communion. Pages 18-20, Setting B

Hymns: 707, 454, 402

Sending Forth

*Hymn 451. "Be Thou My Vision"

*Blessing and Sending Forth

*Congregational Response: Hymn 668. "Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace"

**Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus.
Send us to our homes with God's love in our hearts.
Let not the busy world claim all our loyalties.
Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee. Amen.**

*Postlude: "Prelude in C Major". J. S. Bach

GREETERS: Emily Morgan, Suzanne Peeler

READER: Judd Bankert

COMMUNION: Ed and Carolyn Smith; Tom and Connie Davis

USHERS: Steve Huffer, Tom Spotts, Jim Printy, James Creger, Jack True, Tom Davis,
Judd Bankert, Ed Smith, Joe Hill, Mike Melton, Jim Linnane, Donna Huffer, Frank Wade

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Jim Southers for the beautiful flowers in the entrance
planters!

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.

WE WELCOME our guest soloist today, Sherry Showalter. She is a member of the choir of St. Francis Catholic Church in Staunton.

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.

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.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP . . . 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.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Margaret S. Harrison at the death of her husband.

VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE will be held this week, June 14-17, in Norfolk, with the opening service today at 7:00 p.m. Delegates to this conference will vote on 32 amendments to the United Methodist Constitution. To view these amendments online: www.vaumc.org > (Resources) > 2009 Annual Conference Info > Constitutional Amendment Info > Info and Opinions on left. This is an important time in our denomination—let's pray that we will be sensitive to the leading of God's Spirit.

CALLED CHARGE CONFERENCE . . . During the next Church Council meeting on June 23, there will be a called Charge Conference for the purpose of voting on a resolution which would establish a formal Endowment Fund Committee for Central UMC. Copies of the resolution will be available for review on the 23rd. Questions may be addressed to Jim Printy.

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Boxed flake potatoes, powdered milk, ketchup, mustard, dishwashing liquid, deodorant, bath soap, shampoo and conditioner. (Thank you for your continued support in this ministry!)

KROGER CARDS . . . If you haven't yet received your Kroger Card, please contact the Church Office.

OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP (June 7) Attendance: 85
Income received toward budgeted expenses: \$5,764.00

KITS FOR CONFERENCE—Thank you for your wonderful response!

Kits	Number Collected	Donations to Purchase Kits	Total
Birthing	0	3	3
Health	12	3	15
Layette	2	2	4
School	1	1	2
Sewing	2	1	<u>3</u>
TOTAL KITS PROVIDED			27

“GOD BE WITH YOU ‘TILL WE MEET AGAIN”—we send Steve and Donna Huffer with our love and prayers, as they leave us to begin living in Singapore this July. Steve and Donna joined Central UMC in January of 1993 and have freely shared their multiple gifts with us during their 16 years of ministry here. In addition, Donna has devoted herself to the church as Lay Assistant to the Pastor for the last 3 years. They will be sorely missed—but we ask God's blessing on them for health, safe travel, and new opportunities to share Christ. They will be away from us for about a year, and we will miss them.