

# CENTRAL CALLING

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## From the Pastor's Pen

*Sing to the Lord a new song. Sing to the Lord, all the earth!* (Psalm 96:1)  
*Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.* (Psalm 98:1)  
*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.* (Psalm 100:1-2)

I just spent a half-hour trying to figure out how many times the word "sing" is used in the Bible and finally gave up. It's more than I can count. Needless to say, the Bible is full of singing. In fact, an entire book is devoted to it, which happens to be the longest book by far in the Bible. The Psalms were the original hymnal. Long before we were singing *Amazing Grace*, the 19<sup>th</sup> century tune that has become a national anthem of sorts, or *A Mighty Fortress Is our God*, a sixteenth century tune that has become a cornerstone of the Protestant tradition, long before the English language even existed, we were singing songs of praise, lament, worship, and gratitude to the Lord.

Many of you have wanted to say this to me, but haven't for fear of hurting my feelings, so I'll go ahead and say it myself. The music is my personal favorite part of any worship service. I don't even remember my own sermons, but I certainly remember the hymns. None of this diminishes the spoken, proclaimed Word of God which hopefully sermons uniquely deliver, but music delivers the same Word in a powerful way. I had the privilege of growing up singing the songs of the faith. I know many of them now by heart. Sad to say this, but I have memorized far more hymns in my life than Scripture. And yet, all of those hymns were taken (if not word for word, then certainly by meaning) from Scripture. It's not an overstatement, then, nor is it a disgrace either in my opinion, to say that most of what I know about God, I have learned through singing out of a hymnal. As such, no other book except the Holy Bible itself shapes our faith as much.

And we, friends, are getting a new hymnal in May. Westminster/John Knox Press published one in 2014 called *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*. Our organist, Tom

Schmutzler, has researched and audited it thoroughly (*very* thoroughly). He has also researched our current "blue" and "red" hymnal and has found some trends. We have only sung roughly 18% of the hymns in the blue hymnal and just 10% of those in the red. The new hymnal, which happens to be purple, has 932 hymns, of which 346 are also in the blue and 139 are in the red. We are keeping the red hymnal to include the songs that are excluded. My point is that the new hymnal offers us 784 *new* songs to sing, while at the same time maintaining the *old* ones. Some are brand new tunes just recently composed but many are familiar tunes with newer and more modern texts. What's not to like about that?

To be sure, we will not necessarily like *all* of the new hymns, but *many* of them will grow to cherish. They will enrich our understanding of God and further form us into the disciples that God intends us to be. We have no reason then to be anxious, but have ample reason to be excited.

We will dedicate the new purple hymnal entitled *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal* on Sunday morning, May 15, which also happens to be Pentecost, which is fitting. Different people from different places spoke one language on Pentecost. This still happens today through music. Starting May 15, we will have two hymnals: the red "Celebration" hymnal and the purple one. If you would like to dedicate a hymnal in honor or memory of someone, please fill out the form in this newsletter, which will also be in future bulletins, and include a payment of \$25 per hymnal by Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

I preached a sermon several weeks ago on how Mary responded to the grace of Jesus by pouring perfume on his feet. How can we possibly respond to God's grace appropriately? Maybe, come to think of it, the only appropriate response is to sing a song. Music can tame the savage beast and lift the weary soul. It can praise God in the best and worst of times. If the Holy Spirit wants to convict and transform us, I cannot think of a better method than a song. So come to church and sing. Sing with gusto. We've got a new song to sing. —Luke



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Charlotte Burgess	Clerk of Session
Pat Hart	Moderator of Deacons

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:15am
Worship	10:30am

### DEADLINES

**May 2016 issue deadline is April 25th.**

*Articles received late will be included the next month.*

**Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am**

*Articles received late will be included the next week.*



## Church Scholarship Applications Due May 6th!

Applications for the Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church Scholarship (in memory of Marion Blackwelder) for 2016 and the Pete and Gertrude Gallant Memorial Scholarship for 2016 - 2019 are available in the church office. Any church member (church membership required) attending an institution of higher learning in 2016-2017 is encouraged to submit an application for both scholarships.

The CSCPC Scholarship is awarded on a yearly basis, so past recipients and other sophomores, etc. must reapply again this year.

The Gallant Scholarship is intended for (but not limited to) students attending a 4 year institution and is awarded over 4 years contingent on the student maintaining acceptable grades.

Applications will be accepted through May 6, 2016. This year's recipients will be announced on Graduate Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Brown.

## THE BEGINNING OF THE CONVERSATION



“If we think of the repertoire of church music as a spectrum, from Traditional at one end of the scale to contemporary and *avant-garde* at the other, most congregations draw vertical lines defining their desired bandwidth. “We do this kind of music, but not those kinds,” they say. The vital congregations, however, did not draw vertical lines, but a horizontal one. Above the line is excellence, below the line is inferior music, and the vital congregations sought musical excellence across a broad range of musical idioms.

Putting this all together, then, when one enters the sanctuary of a vital congregation, one encounters music, and plenty of it. The congregation sings and plays musical instruments, and music holds the service together from beginning to end. The music is selected out of alertness to the moment in worship—a vigorous hymn of praise here, a reflective lament or a hopeful chorus there. The styles vary, and music from all eras of the church’s history—from ancient Jewish chants to Latin American rhythms—is employed.

This is not to say that there are no rough edges. Not everyone likes every form of music, and an ethic of tolerance and mutual participation is required. People need to be willing to sing music they do not necessarily like for the sake of the unity of the body. Or again, in one of the vital churches, a member of the congregation announced that he had a musical offering he would like to share. What followed was a sentimental, overdramatic presentation of an old favorite hymn from the man’s childhood. It was a bad piece of music, but the congregation listened with love and genuine appreciation as he sang. The music was hardly worth a dime, but the offering was the “widow’s mite,” thankfully given and joyfully received.”

Taken from **Beyond the Worship Wars; Building Vital and Faithful Worship** by Thomas G. Long, page 64

### Pastor’s Reading Corner

*Recommended Book List*



**Beyond the Worship Wars: Building Vital and Faithful**

**Worship**; Thomas G. Long; The Alban Institute, 2001

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

**In Memory of Jack C. Austin, Sr.,** Beth Ranson & family, William Gordon, Jr., Steele Creek Chapter-Order of the Eastern Star, Calvary United Methodist Church, Herman & Teresa Canipe, Charles Potts, Bud & Pauline Shaney, Gaye & Wayne Whiteside, Ray & Marsha Smith

**In Memory of Mary Miller,** Brown Grier & Emma B. Young classes

**In Memory of Joshua Brian Bronson,** nephew of Diane Price; Toni & Greta Lambert, Emma B. Young class

**In Honor of Mike Brown;** Circle #1

# Welcome New Members!



**The Davis Family**  
Alan and Anna, and children Franklin and Elizabeth



**The Murray Family**  
Brett and Kerri and children Ava (blue coat) and Emme (purple coat)

## COMING SOON!

### Bible Study



Luke Maybry and British Hyrams are leading a Bible Study called "Heaven, Hell, & Earth" where they will discuss beliefs and Biblical passages regarding the topics of heaven, hell, and how to live together on earth. The classes will

be on Wednesday mornings from 11:00-12:00 in Room 300 of the Family Life Center. We will begin on April 13 and end on May 11.

### New Directories

We are working on new church directories. If you have had a change of address or phone number, please let the church office know.



**Dot Benton has moved to Elmcroft Assisted Living  
7745 Little Avenue, Room 231, Charlotte, NC 28226**



## Help Wanted:

### From the Kitchen:

It is time for our annual in-house Spring cleaning. Please come help on Saturday, April 23rd at 9:00am. I will need at least twenty volunteers to complete the work in one day. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Let me know if you can help! Thank you in advance!

Becky Helms



## ATTENTION THOSE WITH GREEN THUMBS



The YMCA is interested in starting and maintaining a small garden next door on their property this spring. They would like our neighborhood children to experience garden to table vegetables. If you can spend just a few hours a week helping the staff and children with this project, please call Kathy Bricker at 704.564.3067 or the church office.

## SAVE THE DATE! VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Saturday, July 23, 2016

9:00am-3:30pm

This year's VBS will be a one-day, all day Bible camp experience for children K-5, as well as programming for adults. Approximately 30-35 volunteers will be needed to help with registration, lunch, teaching, dismissal, and assisting as crew leaders to transport children from place to place on the church campus. Please consider volunteering, especially all church officers. Those attending the adult class are asked to consider volunteering with either registration or dismissal. This is going to be a fun-filled day for families in our church and the community as we seek to *Worship and Serve Christ in the Heart of Steele Creek!* We need everyone to pitch in and help make this event a success. Please join us! Contact the church office to volunteer!





# PRESCHOOL NEWS

I hope that you all had a wonderful Easter celebrating our Risen Lord! We have just come off a week of Spring Break and will jump right in to April. It always comes as a surprise to me when we are down to our last few months in preschool. It goes by so fast and I am rarely ready to wrap it up.

We will continue learning about new life and the great outdoors in April. Our Creator gives us so much to explore and marvel at that it can be overwhelming. Life moves very quickly and too often we don't slow down and see what is happening around us. We would like to encourage these little ones to take in some of the simplest things and learn to be thankful for them.

Thank you for the support you continue to show this preschool. Please be in prayer for us as we continue registration for next year. Pray that our vision will line up with God's plan. At the end of the day, we want to show God's love to our children and their families more than anything else!

Love, Lisa

## Thank you!

*Dear Friends,  
Thank you for all the cards I received while recovering. They were the highlight of most days. But most of all, thank you for your prayers. God bless each of you.*

*Jean Taylor*

Thank you for all the prayers during the past year for Josh, my 8 year-old great-nephew who passed away on March 15 due to brain cancer. Josh's last wish was for us to continue the battle against cancer, especially in children. Please continue to pray for all cancer patients and lend your support whenever possible.

Diane Price

“On behalf of our dear father, John Hayes, we thank you for the many expressions of love shown to him on his one hundredth birthday. He received nearly one hundred cards and he read them many times. His Sunday School class gave him a party and Stephanie Vojvoda arranged an array of special treats. To ALL of you, thank you!”

The Hayes Family

*To my church family,  
I have been absolutely overwhelmed with your many expressions of love and concern after my accident and during my recovery from surgery. Please know that each of them have helped me during this difficult time.*

**THANK YOU!**

*Barbara Choate*

## Movie Night Fun



50 members and friends of Central had a great time of food, fellowship and fun at our movie night on March 12<sup>th</sup>. We feasted on a pasta dinner with salad, delectable desserts, and popcorn. The movie, *Secondhand Lions*, was both humorous and touching. Lawn chairs, sleeping bags, blankets, and pillows provided a comfortable laid back atmosphere in the FLC for all to enjoy.



## CSCPC WOMEN'S GROUPS

*Circle #1*

10:00am, Room 300, April 5

*Circle of Friends*

10:00am, Room 300, Saturday, April 2

*Deborah Circle*

5:30pm, Parlor, Tuesday, April 12



### The Men's Group

Thursday, April 7  
6:00pm  
John's Restaurant



### THE MONTH OF APRIL Canned Meat

*Please place items in the donation box  
located in the Church Narthex.*

## Children's Choir Coming Soon...

\*Children \* Parents \* Grandparents \*

Watch the announcements for rehearsal information  
AND

Get ready to make a joyful noise unto the Lord!



Contact Judy Corbett at [judy@morrislawing.com](mailto:judy@morrislawing.com)  
for more information.

## STAFF HIGHLIGHTS:

April 28-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Allyson Haenlein, our Administrative Assistant. Allyson joined our staff in March, 2014 and has been the "face of Central" to members and visitors. The responsibilities of this position are many, and we are grateful to Allyson to lend support to Rev. Luke in the day-to-day administration of our church. When you see Allyson, please wish her a happy birthday and a thank you for all she does for Central.



## Scout Yard Sale: April 23rd!

Now is the time to start saving those items still in your garage and attic that you are no longer in need of for our annual Scout yard sale on Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 7:00am to 12:00pm. You may combine your collection efforts with your Sunday school class, groups, neighbors, friends and relatives.



The cost of a space and table is still only \$20.00 and payable to the Scouts. You will keep any money that is sold from your space. The money that the Scouts receive will be used to offset the cost of our program.

We will arrange for a pick-up of any unsold items with a local charity organization if you wish. The charity will not collect televisions and electrical equipment.

The Scouts thank you for your continued support! A reservation form is attached to this newsletter or you can pick one up in the church office. Please contact Charlie Bricker at 803-802-8536 if you have any questions.

## Senior members of CSCPC:

Here is a chance to join with the Out and About senior group that usually meets at Good Shepard United Methodist Church.



Because of construction at Good Shepard the Out and About has not been able to meet there since December. As liaison from our seniors to Good Shepard, I've invited the group to our church on April 15. We have a covered dish dinner, chicken, tea and coffee are provided and great fellowship. I'd love to have our members experience the fellowship that I have for the past 6 years. For more details, please contact me!

Jeanne Sikes



## ROOM IN THE INN UPDATE

Thank You to all the members of Central who volunteered their time and talents to make this a successful Room In The Inn

season. Your cooperation was very much appreciated in covering all the varied tasks required to provide our homeless guests hot meals and warm beds during the winter months.

The list of those who contributed is long, from those who helped set up, prepared meals, transported both ways, were overnight hosts, did bathroom cleaning, washed the linens and donated clothing. Rather than trying to list everybody and risk omitting someone, I'd like to mention just a few major participants.

Thanks to Rozanna Lawing and Judy Corbett and their supper crew for planning and preparing the meals in December ( including Mable Osborne for her cakes ). A special thanks to the Brown-Grier Class led by Bill Gordon for cooking breakfast for our guests in both December and February. Thanks to all the drivers, especially to Joe McGrath and Charles Winter who drove every week for the whole four months, Clint Burke who drove most mornings and Kevin Hyrams who did both morning and afternoon driving duties. Also thank you to all the women who graciously spent their Tuesday mornings doing the linens, especially Mary Deal who also helped in several other areas to keep our RITI program running smoothly. Finally Charlie Bricker deserves a merit badge for patience in hearing out our special guest named Freddie !!!

This is a great ministry to our local community and I hope you will agree to participate again next year. And when you see Della Medlin, tell her we miss her and to come back soon !!!

Mike Brown

# APRIL 2016

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	2 Circle of Friends, 10:00am
3 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Guest Outreach, 11:45am Youth, 11:45 @ Lunch	4 AA, 12:00pm Boy Scout Troop Leaders, 6:00pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm	5 Circle #1, 10:00am Publicity Team, 5:30pm B&G Team, 6:00pm Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm	6 AA, 12:00pm Cub Scouts, 6:30pm Choir, 6:45pm Scouts, 7:00pm	7 Men's Group @ John's, 6:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery 7:00pm	8 AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	9
10 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Fellowship Team, 11:45am Chrysalis Group, 2:30pm	11 AA, 12:00pm Staff Support, 5:15pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm	12 VBS Meeting, 4:00pm Christian Ed Team, 5:15pm Deborah Circle, 5:30pm Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm	13 AA, 12:00pm Cub Scouts, 6:30pm Choir, 6:45pm Scouts, 7:00pm	14 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Session, 6:00pm Emmaus Board, 7:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery 7:00pm	15  POTLUCK DINNER <b>OUT &amp; ABOUT GROUP LUNCH, 11:30am</b> AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	16
17 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Deacons, 11:45am Combined Youth Group @ McClintock, 5:00pm	18 AA, 12:00pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm Cub Scout Leaders, 6:30pm	19 Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm Worship Team, 6:00pm	20 AA, 12:00pm Cub Scouts, 6:30pm Choir, 6:45pm Scouts, 7:00pm	21 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery, 7:00pm	22 AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	23 <b>SPRING CLEANING FLC KITCHEN, 9:00am</b>  <b>Scout Yard Sale</b> 
24 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am	25 AA, 12:00pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm	26 Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm	27 AA, 12:00pm Cub Scouts, 6:30pm Choir, 6:45pm Scouts, 7:00pm	28 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery 7:00pm	29 <b>Ladies Spring Retreat in Myrtle Beach</b> AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	30 <b>Ladies Spring Retreat</b>

## Birthdays-April

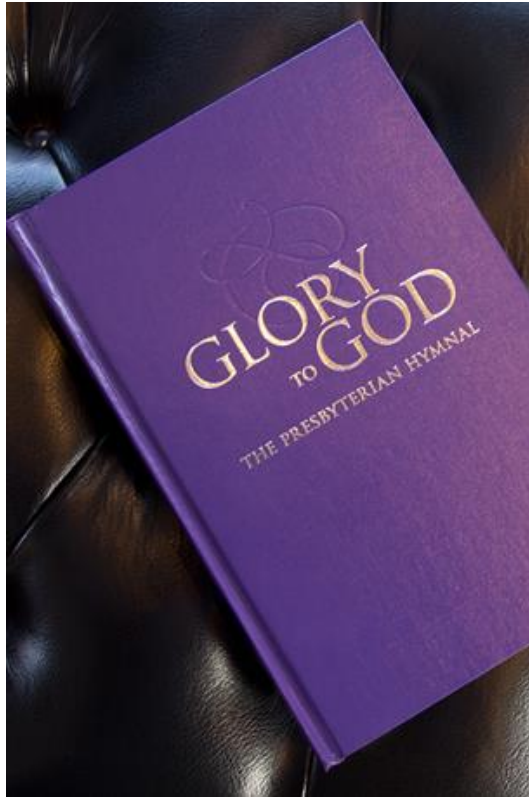
1 Anna Eargle	27 Eric Smith
3 Cindy Shepard	Roy Youngblood
Megan Tolley	28 Allyson Haenlein
4 Beverly Cheek	
Stan Morris	
5 Emily Cheek	
9 Hunter Waite	
10 Robin Hunter	
11 Wray Moxley	
12 David Osborne	
13 Jack Maybry	
16 Bennett Shepard	
19 Jessica Smith	
20 Bruni Sanchez	
Richard Koster	
21 Deana Carter	
Mary English	
Evelyn Ervin	
26 Charles Winter	

## Worship Child Care — April 2016

<i>Volunteers</i>		<i>Volunteers</i>		
April 3	Deana Carter	Martha Osborne	Erin Osborne	Open
April 10	Pam Brooks	Mary Deal	Open	Open
April 17	Open	Open	Open	Open
April 24	Open	Open	Open	Open

### Worship Child Care Sign Up Genius link

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0548afad2baaff2-janapril>



On Sunday, May 15th, we will dedicate our new hymnals

## “Glory to God The Presbyterian Hymnal”

If you would like to purchase a hymnal in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the form below and attach payment. Each hymnal is \$25.00. Checks should be made payable to Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church. In order to have all the hymnals ready by May 15th, please return forms by May 6th.

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Please accept this check for \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Donation was given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church. Add “Hymnal Dedication” on the memo line. You can put dedications in the offering plate or mail them to the church office. Thank you!

# "SPRING CLEANING" YARD SALE

## Reserve your table / space TODAY!!!

**WHERE:** Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church  
9401 South Tryon, Charlotte, NC 28273  
**When:** Saturday, April 23, 2016  
**Time:** 7-11 am

Reserve your table/space by filling out this form; participants agree to abide by all the rules and regulations below.

**\$20.00 per table/space**

**PLEASE RESERVE YOUR TABLE / SPACE BY APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #s (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (CELL) \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

During the sale, your table/space should never be left unattended. It is up to you to exercise prudent judgment and to safeguard your personal property and belongings. Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

#### **VERY IMPORTANT**

You can sell anything you want. The following should be adhered to:

**NO FIREARMS OR WEAPONS OF ANY KIND**

**NO FOOD OR DRINK OF ANY KIND MAY BE SOLD OR GIVEN AWAY.**

**NO ILLEGAL ITEMS OF ANY KIND MAY BE EXHIBITED OR SOLD.**

**NO ADULT ENTERTAINMENT ITEMS; THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT.**

The table/space you reserve is still only \$20.00.

We will arrange a pick-up of unsold items to be donated to a charity if you wish. No electronics can be picked up.

**I wish to reserve Table(s) / Space:**

**Use the mailing address below or drop off the application and money at the church office:**

Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

Attn: Spring Yard Sale

9401 South Tryon

Charlotte, NC 28273

Checks payable to: CSCPC - PACK 45

**If you have any questions, call CSCPC @ 704-588-1211 or Charlie Bricker @ 803-802-8536.**