

CENTRAL CALLING

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February 2020

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Members of Central:

We are at the door step of the Lenten Season as Ash Wednesday will be on February 26. A little history on the Season of Lent... The Lenten season developed as part of the historical Christian calendar and is typically celebrated by Catholics and some mainline Protestant churches that follow a liturgical calendar. Although its format has varied throughout the centuries and throughout different cultures, the basic concept remains the same... to open our hearts to God's refining grace through prayer, confession, fasting, and offering as we anticipate the Holy Week.

Let me share with you the essence of this important season on the Christian calendar. Similar to the Advent Season, Lent is a time to draw closer to our God, so that when Good Friday and eventually Easter comes, it is not just another day at church but an opportunity to receive God's overflowing grace. Lent is an intensely penitential time as we examine our sinful natures and return to God seeking His forgiveness and mercy, which He surely bestows upon us as we seek Him with genuine, submissive and humble hearts... full of repentance. Lent is also an opportunity to contemplate what our Lord really did for us on the Cross. How much He suffered for us so that we can be redeemed in our relationship with God as His children.

Here are some practical encouragements for

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all of you as you begin this Lenten Season...

- Use a good Lenten Devotional... there are so many out there and you can get free ones online.
- Spend each day in reading of God's Word and also in time of prayer.
- Keep a Lenten Journal so that you can reflect on your time with God during this spiritual season.
- Meet up with others in order to encourage them and also be accountable to them... form of spiritual fellowship with one another.

Here is a wonderful passage from the Bible that is very helpful for us as we prepare for Lent. Philippians 3:8~11... "Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead."



— Mark

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:15am
Worship	10:30am

DEADLINES

March 2020 issue deadline is February 24th.

Articles received late will be included the next month.

Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am

Articles received late will be included the next week.

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 MONTH OF FEBRUARY Canned Soup

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

In January approximately 132 pounds of food were donated.

CSCPC WOMEN'S GROUPS

Circle #1

Room 301, 10:00am, Tuesday, February 4

Circle of Friends

Room 300, 11:00am, Saturday, February 1

Women's Bible Study

Room 300, 5:30pm, Tuesday, February 11

Women's Retreat-August 28-30



Registration for our women's retreat has begun. If you would like to register or need more information, please see Kathy Bricker after church.



SCOUTING FOR FOOD



Scout Sunday is February 9, 2020. We will be celebrating 110 years of scouting. We will be recognizing the boys and their dedicated parents.

The Cub Scout Pack and Troop 45 will be handing out Scouting For Food Bags during Scout Sunday. The food that is collected will go to Loaves and Fishes.

Please take a bag and return the bag to the narthex with your canned foods on Sunday, February 16th.

The scouts want to thank you for your efforts and support.

FINANCE TEAM UPDATE

Total 2019 income for budgeted items: \$401,534

Total 2019 expenditures from budget: \$389,856

2019 budget surplus: \$11,678

2019 Capital fund income (not included in income shown above):
\$57,409

1/1/20 Capital Fund Balance: \$290,688

Central Fine Arts Academy

You are probably aware of the **Sheila Fetner Scholarship Fund**. This fund provides scholarship money that will off-set part of the tuition costs for some of our students in the Central Fine Arts Academy. Many in our church family have already donated to this fund.

We want to make you aware of another way to support our Fine Arts Academy. It's the **Central Fine Arts Academy Fund (CFAA Fund)**. Money in this fund can be used for many different purposes by the Fine Arts Academy: advertising, renting instruments or purchasing music, music stands, paint, paper, clay, etc.

If you choose to financially support our Fine Arts Academy please indicate in the memo line of your check, or in a separate note, to which of these funds you wish to donate.

CSC Finance Team

FEBRUARY HEAD ELDER, USHERS & COMMUNION SERVERS

Head Usher: Debbie Stikeleather

Ushers/Servers: Sharon Wilson, Teresa Canipe, Andy Cheek

Communion Server: Judy Corbett



Greetings from the Preschool.....

This is the perfect time to talk to the children about the special people in our lives that we love, and how to show them that love through our actions. Most important, we will focus on God's love for every one of us. We are called to go out and show God's love to others, and we have a responsibility to teach and show these precious children how to receive and share that love.

It is also that exciting time for Preschool Registration for the 2020/2021 school year. The next school year will begin in September 2020. If you know anyone that may be interested, please have them contact the preschool and you can also grab a registration form in the church office.

This month we will receive a visit from a local Dental Hygienist, have a "jump for heart health" day, and spend a lot of time talking about and implementing healthy habits. We will also talk to the children about America and President's Day. Everything going on in the world today is so much for their little minds to take in, however, we do like to help them become aware of our beautiful country and some facts that they can build on in future years.

Happy February and Happy Valentine's Day!

Miss Joanna

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In memory of Dot Benton; Rozanna Lawing, Virginia Herron, Wanda Baldwin, Barbara & Barry Choate

In memory of Geneva Godfrey; Teresa & Herman Canipe, Ruby Potts, Charlotte Lofton, Barbara & Barry Choate, Lucy Choate, Bud & Pauline Shaney

Church Scholarships

Applications for the Central Steele Creek Church Scholarship (In Memory of Marion Blackwelder) for 2020 and applications for the Pete and Gertrude Gallant Memorial Scholarship are available in the church office. Any church member (church membership required) attending an institution of higher learning in 2020-2021 is highly encouraged to submit an application for both scholarships.

- The CSCPC Scholarship is awarded on a year to year basis, so past recipients and other sophomores, etc. must reapply again this year.
- The Gallant Scholarship is awarded yearly and if the recipient maintains an acceptable grade level he or she will automatically receive the award in the next year with the possibility of receiving it up to 4 years.
- Applications will be accepted through May 1, 2020. This year's recipients will be announced on Graduate Sunday.
- If you have any questions, please contact Mike Brown.

For the benefit of our new members, Marion Blackwelder was the daughter of Charles and Sarah Blackwelder and niece of Jack and Mae Austin. The Blackwelder and Austin families were both devoted members of our church. Marion was a student at Brevard College and died in an automobile accident in December 1979. The Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church Scholarship was started in 1984 as a tribute to her memory. The award is made yearly and only the interest is used to finance the scholarship with the principal remaining untouched. Additional donations are gratefully accepted as the cost of a college education continues to rise.

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 recipient for four consecutive years provided the student maintains acceptable grades in their field of study.

fa : FOOD ADDICTS in recovery anonymous

Are you having trouble controlling the way you eat? Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA) is a free Twelve Step recovery program for anyone suffering from food obsession, overeating, under-eating or bulimia. Meetings are held every Thursday at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at 7pm in the library. For more information or a list of additional meetings throughout the U.S. and the world, call 781-932-6300 or visit: www.foodaddicts.org.



**CONNECT WITH
CULTURE DAYS**

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FEBRUARY 7-8, 2020

Friday, Feb. 7 • 6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. | Saturday, Feb. 8 • 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Enjoy FREE access to Arts, Science & History
experiences across Charlotte-Mecklenburg!**

View the full schedule at ArtsAndScience.org

Visit our Cultural Hubs on Saturday, February 8:

Pineville Elementary School	First Baptist Church - West
Lebanon Road Elementary School	Charlotte Museum of History
Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church	Huntersville Elementary School
	Morrison Family YMCA

Arrive early, as space may be limited and ASC cannot guarantee seating.



CENTRAL
FINE *Arts* ACADEMY

AUG. 3-7, 2020 | 8:30am - 3:00pm
At Central Fine Arts Academy

Our Lessons
DANCE • GUITAR • CHORUS • SCULPTURE

<http://cscpc.org/cfaa/>

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FEBRUARY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Circle of Friends, 10:00am
2 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Mission Team, 11:45am	3 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Personnel Team, 5:00pm Publicity Team, 5:30pm Handbells, 6:30pm	4 Preschool, 9:00am Circle #1, 10:00am CFAA, 5:30pm Worship Team, 6:00pm	5 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Scouts, 5:30pm Choir, 6:30pm Scouts, 6:30pm	6 Preschool, 9:00am Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts, 7:00pm	7 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	8 Connect w/ Culture, 9:00am Presbytery Meeting, 9:30am @ Philadelphia Presbyterian
9 Scout Sunday Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Fellowship Team, 11:45am	10 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Finance Team, 6:00pm Handbells, 6:30pm	11 Preschool, 9:00am CFAA, 5:30pm Women's Bible Study, 5:30pm B&G Team, 6:00pm	12 Preschool, 9:00am CE Team, 10:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Cub Scouts, 5:30pm Choir, 6:30pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm	13 Preschool, 9:00am Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts, 7:00pm	14 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm 	15 Little Big Horn!
16 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Outreach Team, 11:45am	17 AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Cub Scout Leaders, 5:30pm Handbells, 6:30pm	18 Preschool, 9:00am Congregational Care, 3:30pm CFAA, 5:30pm	19 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Cub Scouts, 6:30pm Choir, 6:30pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm	20 Preschool, 9:00am Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts, 7:00pm	21 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	22
23 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am	24 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Handbells, 6:30pm	25 Preschool, 9:00am CFAA, 5:30pm	26 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm YMCA BB, 5:00pm Cub Scouts, 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm	27 Preschool, 9:00am Session, 6:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts, 7:00pm	28 Preschool, 9:00am AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	29

Birthdays— February

3 Peyton Burgess
Liz Litaker
4 Luke Tolley
6 Clifford Austin
Jack Phillips
8 Carolyn Arbuckle
12 Haley James
14 Jim Patterson
15 Beth Boykin
17 Adam Wilson
19 Mable Osborne
25 Hope Moss
26 Tim Osmar
27 Connie Hillard
28 Dave Barbee



Worship Child Care Volunteers February 2020

February 2	Martha Osborne	
February 9	Donna Young	
February 16	Sandy Hart	
February 23	Ann Mozingo	