

# CENTRAL CALLING

CENTRAL STEELE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## January 2021

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Central Steele Creek Presbyterian

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## From the Pastor's Pen

Welcome to the New Year of 2021! I hope all of you had wonderful and safe Christmas and New Year's Eve. Many of you did not gather with your families and friends out of abundance of caution for the possibility of being infected with the virus. The vaccine is being distributed and many of Central's members and friends should be at the front of the line in being vaccinated. My encouragement to all is that we should still wear our masks and practice social-distancing until vaccination has achieved wide distribution. So please continue to wear your masks and practice social-distancing when you come to church services on Sunday.

As we begin this new year, we are painfully reminded about the past year where we spent 3/4 of the year away from in-person worship and fellowship with one another. Central had difficulty mourning the loss of long-time members who passed away and properly encourage the family of the deceased. Year 2020 does not foster a lot of joyful thoughts, feelings and memories in our hearts and minds. This new year, while there are encouraging news from the vaccine, will also present a lot of challenging circumstances for you and your families, as well as for God's church at Central. But we trust in the Lord's sovereign grace and His unending love as we move forward in fulfilling the Great Commission of Matthew 28... to raise up Disciples of Jesus Christ in the church and in the heart of Steele Creek. I hope you will join me in lifting up prayers for Central and our community as we submit to the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit each

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day. Just as the Holy Spirit raised up Jesus Christ to a newness of physical life... the same Holy Spirit can raise up Disciples of Christ in newness of spiritual life. Let us seek the Holy Spirit in our daily prayer and supplication so that we can all be raised up to be a Disciple of Jesus Christ in this new year.

On behalf of my family, I would like to thank all of you who reached out and comforted our family as we mourned the passing of Minah's mother. Your prayers and words of encouragement and comfort truly brought strength and guidance to our family. I also want to thank the Pastor Support Team for the meals that were delivered so that we didn't have to worry about food in our time of mourning. Our family is truly grateful to all of you and feel humbled and blessed to call you our spiritual family.

Happy New Year and blessings to you and your family in this new year. May God bless Central and expand His Kingdom at the church and beyond.

In Grace & Peace,  
Mark



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Mark Lee	Pastor
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Allyson Haenlein	Administrative Assistant
Lauren Perkin	Financial Administrator
Jeanne McGrath	Financial Secretary
Anthony Tucker	Custodian
Chet Knapp	Clerk of Session

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School (some classes on hold)	9:15am
Worship	10:30am

## DEADLINES

**February 2021 issue deadline is January 22nd.**  
*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 JANUARY

### Canned Vegetables

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

Last month we sent 54 pounds of food to the pantry.



Thank you for the cards, calls and concerns for my health over the last couple of months. **Doug Youngblood**

There aren't enough words to "Thank You" for the prayers, cards, food, visits and memorials for Herman Sr. Dad loved his church family. God bless all of you. We are truly blessed to be members of the Central family.

**Herman Jr., Teresa & Family.**

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

**In memory of Reggie Price, nephew of Ken Price;** Rozanna Lawing, Paul & Martha Sigmon, Donna Young

**In memory of Herman Canipe, Sr;** Donna Young

**In memory of Noell Duran;** Pat & Sandy Hart, Greta & Toni Lambert, Barbara & Barry Choate

**In memory of Moosook Song Lee, Minah Lee's mother;** Dorothy Williams, Greta & Toni Lambert

**In honor of Reuben & Ann Mazingo (Anniversary);** Kathryn & Douglas Gubbins

## FINANCE TEAM UPDATE

Spending (for budgeted items) as of 11/30/20: \$315,380

Income (for budgeted items) received as of 11/30/20: \$295,769

Capital reserve fund balance (11/30/20): \$288,508

## From our Interim Director of Music Ministries:



Dear Central Steele Creek Members,

Joining you in song this past month during worship has been a pleasure. I feel honored to be in this position while we await the hiring of a new music director and as I await the start of my music therapy internship in Salt Lake City, Utah. I wanted to take this time to share with you all what I will be doing at Primary Children's Hospital as a music therapy intern to hopefully illuminate what music truly means to me as a gift from God.

Music Therapy is an accredited profession that uses music within a therapeutic relationship to address physical, emotional, cognitive, and social needs of individuals. Research in music therapy supports its effectiveness in many areas such as: overall physical rehabilitation and facilitating movement, increasing people's motivation to become engaged in their treatment, providing emotional support for clients and their families, and providing an outlet for expression of feelings. I have chosen to work in Children's hospitals due to my own medical history. While having frequent visits to hospitals throughout my Gastroparesis journey, I recognized how bleak and depressing the hospital setting was. There is a need for joy, especially amidst this pandemic in the hospital setting and I feel that this is my calling from God to aid children and adults in their healing from illness and surgery through something as beautiful as music.

Studying music therapy has given me a new meaning and understanding of how music can affect our lives. It can be a bridge to healing, comfort, and emotional expression. I encourage you all as we continue to worship together to read the lyrics to the songs we sing and listen to the beautiful sounds we can all make together or apart as a way to glorify God. We have been given the gift of music and song to dig deeper into ourselves and to not only understand the gospel, but feel it in our hearts. Each week, I will continue choosing songs that I feel reflect Mark's weekly messages that he shares with us. I urge you all to use this time to reflect on his sermons and feel God's presence within you, as the effects of music are immediately fired throughout your brains.

I have attached a youtube link to a video from a music therapy case at Primary Children's Hospital so that you all can directly see the work I will be doing and understand music therapy at a deeper level. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-uX0ngtQhK8>.

God bless you all as we approach this new year with the hope of the COVID-19 vaccines bringing us a sense of normalcy and hopefully back to worship all together in person again.

Emily Cheek

# Loaves and Fishes Food Share

## Food Share: Helping families with groceries

On December 18<sup>th</sup>, Central hosted its first Food Share event, helping to provide groceries to 130 – 140 families. There was high need – filling all the registration slots a couple of days prior to the event. Below is the group of Central members who helped on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Because of the high need, Loaves and Fishes has



scheduled another Food Share at our church on January 8, 2021. Members have already volunteered to help that day, but there are other ways you can help. Please share the information below so more families can be helped either on social media, through community organizations, and by telling others in your neighborhood. (This program is sponsored by Steele Creek Y along with Central.)

### Information to be Shared:

Loaves and Fishes provides frozen meat, fresh produce and dairy products, and other groceries through a program called Food Share. Groceries will be distributed on Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> (10:30 - 11:30 am) in the parking lot of Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church (corner of S. Tryon Street and Westinghouse Blvd). Participants will come to the church campus so that boxes can be loaded into their cars, using a drive-through style for safety.

**The food box is free but participants must pre-register using the link at the bottom of the page.**

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Please complete the form – using the link below:

We are excited to be able to share fresh produce with our neighbors in need. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming food shares!

Friday, January 8th; 10:30-11:30am  
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\*Please note that food may vary based on available inventory

Here is your registration Link.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeX0UmYov\\_XxpKXDn9NW3OY\\_1gLSaD1PV3Sc7kMtBOfI\\_rPHQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeX0UmYov_XxpKXDn9NW3OY_1gLSaD1PV3Sc7kMtBOfI_rPHQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0)

First, a big "Thank You!" to everyone that returned their pledge cards last month. Now if for some reason or other you did not get your pledge card turned in, despite your good intentions to do so, there is good news for you! We will still accept it and gladly add your pledge to our present total of 2021 pledges. Just complete the card, seal it in the envelope provided and return it to the church office or drop it in the offering plate. There are also pledge cards available in the church office along with extra envelopes.  
The Finance Team

## Birthdays-January

- 1-Sylvia Hendrix
- 3-Darby Noblett
- 4-Mary Phillips
- 5-Barry Choate
- 7-Brandon Russell
- 8-Glenn Litaker
- 9-Jeanne Smith & Donna Young
- 10-Della Medlin & Chris Knapp
- 12-Rock English
- 13-Joyce Smith
- 14-Brandon McGraw & Hugh Shannon
- 22-Barbara Lane
- 24-Kenny Burns
- 25-Rob English
- 27-Bob Blackwelder & George Hege
- 28-Reuben Mozingo
- 30-Anthony Tucker
- 31-Bill Young, Jr.



### **JANUARY HEAD ELDER & USHERS**

**Head Usher:** Debbie Stikeleather

**Ushers:** Jessica Smith, Reuben Mozingo, Paul McNeill



Live, online interactive small group classes and private lessons for:

**Violin, Guitar, Dance, Drawing, Percussion and Voice.**

Group lessons are designed for students in grades K - 5. Private lessons are for kids of all ages!



# CENTRAL FINE ARTS VIRTUAL ACADEMY

***Registering Now  
for the Winter  
Session Starting  
January 19, 2021***

Cost: \$25 / 30 minutes  
\$45 / 60 minutes

Registration Fee: \$20

Registration and  
information at  
<http://cscpc.org/cfaa>

Questions about format, scheduling, instrument rentals and more call Director Lori Cauley at 704-274-1878.

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