

## Central Baptist Herald June, 2017

# SCHOOL'S OUT and NOTHING TO DO....

# LOTS TO DO!! SUMMER @ CENTRAL

- ⇒ EVERY Sunday! Weekly Bible Study & Worship (ALL Ages!)
- ⇒ Weekly Mid-Week Youth Gathering Middle & High School Students: Wednesdays @ 5:30 p.m.
- ⇒ Vacation Bible School-Families and their children age 3 thru grade 5: June 9-11, SonTreasure Island
- ⇒ Performing Arts Camp Grade 1 thru 7: July 9-13: The Prodigal Clown, 7p.m. 7/13
- ⇒ Inter-generational Mission Trip : July 23-28, Mt. Holly, NC



Vacation Bible School (June 9-11) this year will be a weekend event that will have room for the whole family; Friday night, June 9 (5:30-8:00p.m.) and Saturday morning 9-12 noon, children will enjoy learning the music and stories of God's love, playing games, doing a craft project and participating in a mission effort. Then the whole family is invited to return for Saturday lunch and afternoon fun with water games, including an inflatable water slide!

The VBS fun continues with Sunday morning Sunday school sessions and worship, followed by a covered dish lunch at noon where the whole church will help assemble mission kits to be distributed to homeless individuals.

YOU can help spread God's love to children and families at Central. PLEASE invite/bring children age 3 through grade 5 (completed) & their families to VBS! Registration forms and flyers can be printed from the website, or picked up at church.



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# Sonny's Sayings...

Summer has a unique place in our cultural mindset. From the summer beach movies of the early sixties, to "The boys of summer," a reference to baseball players, to the "summer break" that all kids and some parents can't wait for,



summer holds a special place in our hearts. But it wasn't always a summer "break." Giving kids a break from school in the summer used to be so they could go to work on the farm as the plants began to grow toward harvest.

Churches have often had to adjust to summer break. Some churches have used the summer as a planning time to get ready for new projects and programs for the fall, others just keep right on going, following their weekly routine as if nothing has changed. Since I have been here and before, Central has taken the summer off on Wednesday nights, in part because of the number of families that travel during the summer, but also because summer was camp time.

Taking that time off and away, for both families and staff, has always led to lower giving during the summer months, even as we spend more money on sending out kids to important camps. So, like many churches, the stewardship committee does not look forward to "summer break from giving." This year, I want to challenge our church family to something different. This summer has allowed our church family to do something unique in our history, with our working mission trip that we hope will translate into local ministry when we return. We are trying to do something that

the whole church can believe in, something that the whole church can support and invest in.

So the challenge is this: challenge yourself to increase your giving and support by one increment this summer, whether it be \$5 more per week, or 5%. I believe you are going to see a difference in the energy, purpose of our church over the course of the next few months, and I believe that as we increase our generosity, we will feel more connected to the good things and



the good ministry that the church is doing, and going to do. I hope that summer starts on the right foot for you!
Blessings, **Sonny** 

#### **Mission Trip Reminders**

June 18-Final payments due
June 25-Required Training for all adult participants
June 28-Required Training for all youth and children participants
July 23-Team Commissioning in Worship & Departure

### PRAISING GOD!

#### Year-to-Date (5/21/17)

Avg. Worship Attendance: 133
New Members Received: 3
Total Receipts: \$153,000.61\*
Total Spending: \$157,025.46
\*Easter Offering not included
Total Easter Offering Received:
\$19,370.32

#### Special Gifts this Month

In Loving Memory of:
Tony Welch
For Performing Arts Camp
From: Diane Welch
LW & Beverly Summerlin
From: Deborah Summerlin
Ron Bright
From: The J.O.Y. Class

Steve Reynolds From: Mae Holmes Ron Bright

From: Teresa Martin & Family Glenn L. Smith, Jr.

From: Mrs. Harry M. Simpson
Trevor & Jennifer Leonardi
For Building & Grounds
From: Kevin & Kimberly Leonardi

In Honor of the Birthdays of Martha Meadows & Mary Anne Trumbull For The Counseling Ministries at Central From: Jim & Tommie Lou Hitson

#### You Can Give Now

Use this QR code to connect to your online bank. Your generosity means that Central can more easily shine a light for Christ in our neighborhood and around the world. You may also contribute at <a href="https://www.centralbc.org">www.centralbc.org</a>.

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#### Linda's Log

We live in a world

culture that tells us we must "DO" somethingabout injustice, about hunger, about hatred and violence. And yet I am realizing more acutely each day that I have NO POWER, on my own, to Do any of that! I have to rely on Christ. I believe that's true for all believers. Our actions should first of all, be guided by who we are, God's beloved children. Possi-

bly, powerlessness comes in attempting to DO before we learn how to BE transformed by Christ. Professing Christ as Lord and Savior, and following in baptism, are steps toward living a transformed life. But we should not view these steps as an "insurance policy" for going to heaven. They are not the end of the journey, but the beginning. How can we allow this transformation to take place in us individually so that we can be equipped for the journey of doing right things?

How can we be truly transformed? How can we BE more accepting and less judgmental? How can we use our desire to serve others in ways that convey a sense of equality, not superiority? How can we BE more welcoming and attentive to those we encounter? How can we BE instruments of peace, without being doormats? We CAN'T, on our own! But The Spirit CAN make it possible!

#### Disciple 3 Completed

Nine individuals and two leaders just completed 32 lessons from "Disciple 3-Remember Who You Are." Paulette Amos,

Phyllis Davis, Anthony McCulley, Linda Pigott, Carol Rutter, Dan Rutter, Rebecca Sapsford, Keith Schmitt and Mary Ellen Schmitt met with facilitators, Jim and Joyce Page, who led the group in reading Bible passages on their own, then hearing commentary and discussing it in small group. Pictured here, Anthony McCulley is giving a testimony in worship about how meaningful and energizing it is to regularly meet together for conversations about shared faith and life. That's what's so wonderful and



amazing about Bible study. Traditionally, adults read and study for a profession or for some type of new skill and once the course is done, think "study" is over. Bible study, however, is more like today's technological revolution; no matter how much you learn, there's always something new or a different approach revealed in Scripture. It may be true that many heard the "stories" of the Bible as children, but The Spirit inspires much more than "story" when we take time to discuss and explore together. And because it's a journey shared with others, there's no need to feel inadequate or lost. Bible study isn't just for children...it's Life-Long Learning for EVERYONE!

#### PROJECT: Central on Mission: Here! & in North Carolina

For the next month we will be collecting small travel size personal care items to be given to homeless individuals here in our community and also in the NC community our mission team will visit in July. Our plan is to collect the following items and then on Sunday, June 11, (after VBS) following a church-wide potluck lunch, in assembly-line manner, we will fill gallon-size zip plastic bags with these items. Our goal is to distribute 100 bags here in Daytona and 100 bags in North Carolina.

These are the items we need: *Only Small Travel sizes, please*. Hair brush/comb, shampoo, soap, toothbrush/toothpaste, socks, lip balm, hand lotion, tissues, band-aids, deodorant, sunscreen, wash cloth, hair ties/clips, feminine products, packs of crackers, canned tuna. Collection tubs are in the church foyers. THANKS, in advance, for joining in this outreach effort!

The transformation answer for me lies in the *community* of our faith. Spirit led prayer and Bible study and accountability IN COM-MUNITY with others is where grace is extended, received, and enriched. We are able to <a href="share">share</a> (give)</a> gracious forgiveness because we ourselves <a href="continually receive">continually receive</a> God's forgiveness and the forgiveness of others. This is not because in receiving it we become superior or more powerful, and certainly not because we can deserve or earn it. Regular church attendance and worship are vitally important, but they are not the "only" things. Conversations and interactions with friends who are also trying to follow Christ are, for me, also extremely vital in shaping my ability to reach out in love.

Jesus lived IN COMMUNITY with his disciples; His example of sharing and loving and reproof are a strong argument for being in community with others. He reminded us to gather with others to pray; He asked us to remember Him when we eat and drink and more.. Small group gatherings (in community) have helped me grow; individuals in these groups have encouraged me to read and study more, to be more open and honest with myself and with others and to be bolder in making the hard decisions of life. If you are not already involved in a small group, I'd love to talk with you about how to join or form a group. We can be on this transformative journey of faith together. I'm praying for our fruitful journey and hoping you'll join.

#### **Prime Timers @ Play**







floor for their children. As a Mothers' Day project, Central's mission team led us in gathering baby shower items as a way to bless these young girls and their children as the mothers strive to complete their high school education. Pictured above on delivery day are folks from our mission team and their administrators who excitedly and gratefully accepted the gifts.

Regular Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Faith Discussion Grp. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (all ages!), LifeTree Café 10:45 a.m. Worship w Preschool Nursery Provided

Regular Tuesday Schedule 16:30 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Women's Christian Book Club, Rm. 4 2:30 p.m. Beginning Bridge, Marchman Bldg, Rm. 116

Regular Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Choir, Sanctuary Wednesday Night Family Activities Resume August 16.

Regular Thursday GriefShare Resumes 8/17 at 2:30 Rm. 4

### June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Lifetree Café: Sundays 9:30 a.m. & Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. Marchman Bldg., Rm. 6/1 The Church & Gay 6/11 Surrounded by St Hidden World of 6/18 Imperfect Parents 6/25 What's Your Pet T	16 : One Pastor's Dilemma : If: Understanding the Hoarding Making Peace and Moving ying to Tell You?	On		I Birthdays: Meg Pokorny Daniel Weidenmiller	2 Birthdays: Sonny Gallman Alice Glover	3 Birthdays: Michael Penny Betty MacMinn
4 Pentecost Sunday Birthday: Diane Welch	58:30 p.m. Deacons' Prayer Time 6:00 p.m. Deacons' Mtg., Rm. 4 Birthdays: Candy Newton Jan Gibson Adeline Bethea	6 Birthday: Connor Case	7 10:30 a.m. Communion at Indigo Manor Birthdays: Chad Smith Tommy Jee	8 Birthday: Don Musser	9 5:30-8:30 p.m. VBS	10 9:00-Noon VBS Noon- 3:00 p.m VBS Lunch & Family Fun (Water Slide & Games) Birthday: Al Neimann
1 1 12:00 p.m. Church-Wide Pot Luck Lunch & Mission Kit Assembly 4:00 p.m. Hymn Sing @ UBIC.	125:00 p.m. Bldg.& Grounds, Rm. 4 Birthday: Jack Harris	13 Birthday: Joan Rademacher	14 Birthday: Reid Burrows	15 Birthday: Keith Schmitt	16	17 Birthday: Will Bethea Jean Peck Winnie Sapp
18 Registration Deadline for Performing Arts Camp Deadline: Final Pay- ment for Mission Trip	19	20 Birthday: Cal Martin	21 Birthday: Malinda Rawls	22 11:00 Prime Timers (New Time) Thursday Brunch Birthays: Marty Petty Daniel Weidenmiller	23	24 Birthday: Michelle Carlson
25 Birthday: Brittany Figott  12 n. Adult Mission Trip Participants' Required Training— Adams Hall	26 Birthday: Connor Case	27 Birthday: Wayne Bishop	28 5:30 p.m. Youth & Children Mission Trip Partici- pants' Required Training	29	30 Birthday: Amy Meyer	

#### **Matt Nelson**

We have finally reached the summer season! For most of us, that is business as usual, but for others it means travelling up north to get away from this HEAT, it means the kids are home during the day, and/or it means fun in the sun. I just wanted to take this opportunity to brag on the youth at Central for a moment. We have such a dedicated group of young people! Most of

their parents don't even come on Wednesdays or Sundays, but they have found a home here with friends and mentors they can love and depend on. They come to fundraisers to make sure mission

trips and activities are affordable for everyone. They stay for

lunches on Sundays and make an effort to interact with the hosts if we meet in someone's home. They humor my silly games and interact with me and the other teachers during the lessons. They consider each other friends and genuinely look forward to coming to church to see each other and learn about God.

This church family has been such a blessing in them. The youth are fun, capable, a little bit unpredictable, interested and interesting, and worth getting to know. Thank you for helping make Central a safe and fun place for these children of God to call home away from home. If you do not know them, I invite you to introduce yourself next Sunday — tell them your name and ask them about themselves. Then next time, tell them your name



again and find out what's new. Maybe after a few more times, they will remember your name and know, really know, that you want to know about their lives outside of church. And that is im-



portant because most of our lives are spent outside the walls of the church. May you know that Central is making an impact on the current and future generations of Christians and that their future is bright because of you. -Matt

#### "The Prodigal Clown"

Performing Arts Camp 2017 needs a few more registrants to ensure a full cast. During this musical drama day camp, kids from 1st-7th grade (completed) will be learning lyrics, movement, and



drama as well as building the stage sets for a musical, "The Prodigal Clown." It's the artistic bargain of the area, as experienced instructors work with children for only \$50 per camper!!

Campers will receive scripts and lyrics on Sunday afternoon (2-5:00pm); roles will be assigned and the musical drama production will be prepared Monday-Thursday (9a.m. -2:00pm). The show will be presented in the church sanctuary on Thursday evening at 7pm.

#### **High School Graduates:**

- -Madyson Blake Brown, granddaughter of Charles & Carolyn Schaeffer.
- -Ansley Hitson, daughter of Greg & Paige Hitson and granddaughter of Ann Jester and Jim & Tommie Lou Hitson
- -Jenny Inglett, daughter of Mike & Holly Inglett
- -William Mashburn, grandson of Mike and Patty O'Sullivan
- -Clay Rippey, grandson of Alice Rippey
- -Hayden Runnells, grandson of Ruth and Bill Bethea

#### College & University Graduates:

- -Dr. Emily Goodwin, M.D., Lieutenant (USN), daughter of Jennifer Goodwin and granddaughter of Jim & Tommie Lou Hitson
- -Pamela Inglett, daughter of Mike & Holly Inglett
- -Matthew Langley, son of Ron & Christine Langley and grandson of Gloria Wilson and Gwen Bills

#### Seeking more campers by June 18th!

It's a DON'T MISS opportunity for children who like to sing, dance, act and paint!! Please help us spread the word. Registration forms can be printed from the website: www.centralbc.org. Call Linda (386-255-2588 or Ruth Bethea for more info.





Celebrating a GREAT granddaughter with Billy & Suzi

#### Central's Servants: Laura Cason, Lifelong Learner

By Joan Singley Schrysen

In the eighth grade, Laura Cason, already in love with the piano, sent a letter of interest to the Admissions Office at Stetson. Following their advice to "Get in touch with us when you are older," she eventually earned her Bachelor of Arts in Music there with a major in piano.



Faced with the reality of earning a living, Laura wisely included some psychology courses in her undergraduate education and worked at the Neighborhood Center in DeLand while earning her masters in Counseling at night. For her doctoral work from the University of Florida she studied patients with advanced cancers and realized that much of what had mattered most to her was quite shallow compared to the depth of her relationships with these patients. The incredible importance of people in one's life was not an easy lesson for a 25-year-old.

Laura's career at Halifax began in the Oncology and Hospice Programs. As her career advanced, administrative responsibilities increased. Not seeing patients left a void until she realized that even people who were well needed to be related to! Another life lesson for Laura.

For a number of years during college and later Laura did not attend church, although she grew up in the Presbyterian Church. Her perception of God took focus around the time her older sister Betsy was terribly afflicted by a brain aneurysm. Rejecting clichés offered as comfort but incredibly painful in this tragic situation, Laura developed a relationship with God, learning to value His presence as sustaining, equipping, and life-changing.

Laura likes to think of the realm of God as like a radio frequency just beyond what our radios can pick up, although it's there all the time. Prayer tunes us in and connects us to God.



These days, as Deacon Chair, Laura enjoys getting to know the people she's working with – the ministerial staff and other deacons. "I feel we all have a common interest in moving the church in the direction of being available to people who need us. And I LOVE helping

with communion." As Central prepares for its intergenerational mission trip, Laura is leading the Yard Team and looking forward to new lessons.

LAURA CASON, a native Floridian, grew up in Sebring, FL the youngest in a comfortable family. She joined Central in 1994.

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NEW TIME! 11:00 A.M.- Thursday Brunch

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Come Early 10:45 for Bingo (\$.25/card)
Proceeds for Local Mission Project

\$2 Lunch & Entertainment

Wear Red/White/Blue

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#### Servant Leadership

Ministers	All Members
Senior Pastor	Rev. Sonny Gallman
Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship/Outrea	ch Rev. Linda Pigott
Assoc. Pastor of Worship, Youth &	Families Matt Nelson
Choir Director	Rev. Lee Gallman
Organist	Penny Redfearn
Pianist	Meg Pokorny
Office Manager	Gwen Bills
Custodian	Steve Lauxman
Camp Volunteer Ministry	The Swartzfager Family