

**USHERS**

Henry Adair  
Mimi Anderson  
Jimmy Anderson  
Marilyn Atyeo

**GREETERS**

Archie & Sue Cochran

**USHER REPRESENTATIVE**

Eric Michael

**ACOLYTES**

Brooklyn Huckins & Hope Johnson

**HANDBELL RINGERS**

Emma Johnson/ Marianna Johnson

**LITURGIST**

January 28 - Jeremy Butdorf  
February 4 - Scott Stewart

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Shepherd - Henri Baker

**Helpers**

Emma Johnson  
Ralph Little  
Brian & Anna Johnson

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT**

January 28 - Tom Diggins  
February 4 - Andy Anderson



**SCOUT  
SUNDAY**

February 4th

All Scouts are invited to come in uniform that day, and our sponsored pack and troop will participate.



The flowers beneath the cross are given to the Glory of God and in honor of

Dicky & Elsie Anderson on their 57th anniversary

Given by their children and grandchildren

If you would like to place flowers the following dates are available:  
March 11,25

Please call Sandy in the office to schedule.

**WITH PEOPLE 'NEATH THE STEEPLE**

**Please remember in your prayers:**

John Gilbert (brother-in-law of Heather McLean), Ann Reid, Dale Simpson, Barbara Harbin, Ryan Baker, Michele Henry, Betty Middleton, Joy Smith (mother of April Swanson), Judy Stevenson, Gail Southard, Jones Chamblee, Jody Moesley, Austin Tucker, Florrie Steele, Lu Harkey, Jim Helvie, Jerry & Julie Lane, Doug & Margaret Thrasher, Ellen Sleeman, Kay Morris' mother, Beth Ginn, Robin Nelson (sister of April Swanson), Kyle Anderson's mother, Terry Anderson, Ashley Harrelson's mother, Susan Fowler; Julie Blankenship's brother, Mark Hartmann.



Congratulations to Lu Harkey, who celebrated her 95th birthday!

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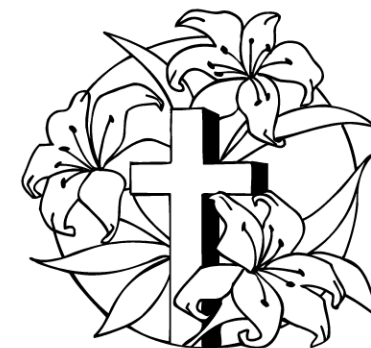
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**January 28, 2018**

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**For God so loved  
the world that he gave  
his one and only Son.**

**John 3:16**

Sunday, January 28, 2018 – 10:30 am.  
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Erin Lee

INTROIT

*Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*

Ruth Duck

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God, whom we gather to worship, gave Jesus, born in Bethlehem,  
All: **as the fulfillment of the promise to his people, the children of Abraham.**  
One: God called persons of another tradition, the Magi,  
All: **to seek out Jesus and to worship him.**  
One: Yes, God, maker of heaven and earth, so loved the world —  
and each person in it —  
All: **that he gave his only Son so that whoever believes in him  
shall not perish but have everlasting life.**  
One: Come, let us Praise the Lord!

\* HYMN 634

*To God Be the Glory*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

Numbers 21:4-9

One: From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit some one, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: **God, we are often impatient like the people of Israel.  
We want things our way and we want them in a hurry.  
Forgive us when we think this way or say it out loud.  
Lord, we are sinful. Please take away our sin.  
Help us to seek your way. In Jesus' name we pray...**

\* SILENT CONFESSION

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 3:14-16

One: Amen. Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.  
Friends, in Christ we are forgiven!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - *Gloria Patri* #581

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Amy Marshall

*(Following this, children ages 3, 4, and 5 may leave for Children's Church)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **God of light and life, open our eyes as well as our ears,  
so that we may not only hear your Word preached today  
but then see your Word lived out in our lives and in your world,  
through Christ, our Lord, the light of the world. Amen.**

ANTHEM

*In Christ Alone*  
Jan Hinchman, mezzo-soprano

Getty/Townend

GOSPEL READING, p. 93

John 3:1-21

SERMON

*Invitation to Abundant Life:  
Be Born Again*

Dr. David Bailey

THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

\* STATEMENT OF FAITH — *The Apostles' Creed, p. 35*

\* HYMN 462

*I Love to Tell the Story*

HANKEY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER, p. 35

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

\* RESPONSE, page 606

*The Doxology*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\* HYMN 826

*Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

*Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*

Ruth Duck

\* POSTLUDE

## Central at a Glance

★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!

Leslie Hayes 1/28  
Allan Dykes 1/29  
Amie Wright 1/29  
JoAnne Moore 1/29  
Jan Tabor 1/29  
Russell Newhall 1/29  
Tamara Lindley 1/30  
Ban Anderson 1/30  
Cooper Cameron 1/31  
Steve Good 1/31  
Joanne Phillips 2/1  
Del Gurley 2/1  
Mary Noyes 2/1  
Campbell Price 2/1  
Lydia Francis 2/1  
Marianna Johnson 2/2  
Lujack Cole 2/2  
Cathy Stewart 2/2  
Colt Wiersma 2/2  
Brooklyn Huckins 2/2  
Marshall Smith 2/2  
Ron Willis 2/3  
Keri Small 2/3

### CHANCEL CHOIR FESTIVAL

Our Director of Music, Mandy Davis, and several members of the Central Chancel Choir have been in Charleston at the Festival By the Sea this weekend. They are worshipping this morning at St. Andrews Presbyterian. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel home today.



There will be an Adult Joint Sunday School Class on January 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We will welcome the Gartrells from Brazil who have been on Central's support list and who will speak to us about their mission work there. Come enjoy refreshments, fellowship and learn about what God is doing in the world!

### Preschool/ Kindergarten Moms Morning Out Registration



Preschool registration for church members for the 2018/2019 school year will begin on Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. You can mail it in or bring it by the Preschool office. You will need a registration form (which we have in our office or you can get it from the church website), the registration fee and material fee and your child's immunization form (DHEC form 2740A). We will do in-house registration on Monday, February 5 and community registration on Thursday, February 22 beginning at 7:30 am. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

### CHANGE IN BULLETIN MAILING

We are happy to mail you a copy via 1st class mail. You will be able to pick up in the office after Thursday.

## Central at a Glance

### This Week at Central

#### SUNDAY, January 28

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship  
5:00 pm Youth Choir  
5:30 pm Skate Party

#### MONDAY, January 29

9:00 am Preschool/Kindergarten

#### TUESDAY, January 30

9:00 am Preschool/Kindergarten

#### WEDNESDAY, January 31

6:30 am Men's Group  
9:00 am Preschool/ Kindergarten  
2:45 pm Elementary Open Gym  
3:45 pm K2 Class/ Jubilee Choir / Youth Open Gym  
4:45 pm Acolyte Class/ Alleluia & Gloria Choir  
4:45 pm Central Sisters  
5:30 pm Tailgate Cookoff  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

#### THURSDAY, February 1

9:00 am Preschool/ Kindergarten

#### FRIDAY, February 2

9:00 am Preschool/ Kindergarten

#### SATURDAY, February 3

9:00 am Saturday Servants – PYC

Dr. Bailey invites men who are married and have young children at home to an interest meeting to start a new men's group. The interest meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 11, in the Fellowship Hall. If there is enough interest, the weekly meeting time will be determined by the group.



## Central at a Glance



**CPC Skate Party**  
**Sunday, January 28th**  
**5:30 - 7:30 pm**  
**Skateland USA**

**Pizza will be provided for all!**  
**If your last name begins with:**  
**A-M please bring drinks**  
**N-Z please bring desserts**

**TAILGATE COOKOFF**  
**Wednesday, January 31**  
**Calling all Chefs!**

**We want to taste your specialties!**  
Normal midweek meal prices will apply, and you get to taste as much as you want! Everyone will vote for their favorite and there will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place dishes.

All proceeds will benefit the International Mission Fund.

If you would like to participate as a cook, please email, call or text April Cameron. Chefs please RSVP by Jan. 28. aprilwcameron@gmail.com or (864) 221-8445

**GRIEF GROUP DATES**  
Feb 12  
February 26  
6:30 pm CPC Parlor

Be sure to pick up a copy of "Sharing God's Story at Home" from the narthex or print it from your computer so you can use the daily Bible readings provided. Next Sunday the text will be John 4:1-42, about the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well.



**VALENTINE'S DINNER**  
Saturday, February 10, 2018  
The Brazil Mission Team cordially invites you to celebrate a Valentine's Dinner in our Fellowship Hall. Tickets are on sale after church and in the church office.  
\$25 per ticket

**MINI MONTREAT**  
Senior High Retreat signups are going on NOW! \$100 – Let Stephen Know by Feb. 5



**Friday, February 16th**  
**12:00 pm**  
Featuring a preview presentation of the



**Anderson Senior Follies**  
As always, lunch is \$5 and you can sign up by calling the office, after worship or email noelleread@centralpresby.com

Large print Bulletins and Hearing Amplification Devices are available.  
Nursery provided for infants through 2-year-old children.

## Central at a Glance



**Nursery:** This month's theme is **God Finds Us!** Be sure to grab a take home card from our Nursery Bulletin Board to learn this month's memory verse, ritual and more ways you can continue telling the story at home!

**Sunday School :** This weeks lesson is from John 6:1-15 At home talk about how cool it would have been to see Jesus turn a couple loaves of bread into an abundance to feed 5000 people!



**WORSHIP CLASS FOR 1st Graders**  
Children will meet in the Sanctuary during Sunday School this Sunday and Next!



Wednesdays at Central start back January 31st with the Afternoons on the Bridge for kids and the Tailgate Cook-off for all!

**Volunteers for Wednesday:**  
Open Gym – Arnett  
K2 – Arnett  
Acolytes – Van Heule



**PYC**  
No Handbells  
5:00 – Youth Choir  
5:30-7:30 – Skate Party at Skateland

**UPCOMING WEEKS**  
February 4 – Super Bowl Party  
February 11 – College Care Packs

**SUPER BOWL PARTY HOST NEEDED**  
We are looking for a family to host our annual Super Bowl Party. February 4, from 5 until Halftime. Please let Stephen know if you would be willing to host.

**COLLEGE CARE PACKS**  
We will be assembling College Care Packs on Sunday night, February 11. Donations are being accepted to make these Care Packages extra special! Needs: School Supplies, Snacks, \$5-\$10 gift cards to Starbucks or Chick-fil-a, Candy, Notes of Encouragement, Devotion Books, etc...

**STUFFED ANIMAL DRIVE**  
The Youth Committee is holding a Stuffed Animal Drive to benefit Anderson-Oconee Speech & Hearing; the Powdersville YMCA mentor program, and Prevent Child Abuse in Pickens County. Please donate "Gently Loved" Used Stuffed Animals. Please don't go buy new stuffed animals for this drive. Use this as a way to give your used and neglected stuffed animals a way to comfort someone new! Donations accepted in Narthex, Church office, and Fellowship Hall.