



Central Life

Central Presbyterian Church

January 29, 2020



SUNDAY, February 2

- 10:00** **Sunday School**
11:00 **Unity Worship in the Sanctuary**
12:00 **Soup Lunch in Central Hall**

Join us on this very special day to celebrate
the culmination of the Souper Bowl
Food and Money Collection Challenge.

Bring soup, side dish, bread, or dessert.

The real winner of this challenge is the
Bristol Emergency Food Pantry.





What Is Worship, Part II

In considering what worship is all about, we need to understand what is happening when we gather for worship. The word worship comes from the word “Worth-ship”—what do we give worth to in our lives. And worship happens within a community as well as for us individually.

Søren Kierkegaard, a Danish philosopher, theologian, writer and psychologist gave a wonderful illustration as to how to understand what is happening in worship. He writes that:

Many people view the roles of worship like this:

- The worship leaders are the **performers** of worship. They sing the great songs, preach the powerful sermons, and perform instrumental solos with great precision.
- The congregation is the **audience**. They sit back and take in the great show.
- God is the **prompter** of worship, i.e. He tells the worship leaders what to do—what songs to choose, what passage of scripture to read, etc.

But really the roles in corporate worship are:

- The people in the congregation are the **performers** of worship, and they are actively participating, praising the Lord through song, prayers, liturgy, and scripture.
- The worship leaders (pastors, liturgists, choir, band, and music groups) are the **prompters** of worship. They lead the congregation on a journey of worship, helping them to voice their praise to God through song, prayers, giving of offerings, and the liturgy.
- God is the **audience**. He is receiving our offering of worship.

If we as worshipers in our congregation fully understood that worship is not something done for us, but that we are the active participants before the One Lord, it can truly transform the worship experience in our church. Getting our worship roles straight is an important first step in seeing worship renewal in our church. Remember we worship the *Audience of One*.

This is just something to think about. Hope to see you in worship on Sunday.

Ann Aichinger



Upcoming Sermons and Sunday events:

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| Feb. 2—Unity Worship at 11:00 am followed by Souper Bowl Lunch | |
| <i>Blessed are...</i> | Matt. 5:13-20 |
| Celebration of the Lord's Supper | |
| Feb. 9— <i>Salt and Light</i> | Matt. 5:13-20 |
| Feb. 16— <i>One Way and Another</i> | Matt. 5:21-31 |
| Feb. 23— <i>Transfiguration</i> | Matt. 17:1-9 |



Presbyterian Women

Coordinating Team Meeting on February 4, 11:00 AM in Small Dining Room

All Women will meet on February 11, 11 AM in the Small Dining Room. This is a special meeting, which will include lessons 5 and 6, with Rev. Ann teaching both, due to the fact that we will not meet in March.

Our lessons this month are rather challenging as we approach the thought of "WORDS OF LOVE, DON'T KILL EACH OTHER," which is the title of lesson 5, and lesson 6 "THE SEVENTH WORD," which is an attempt to help us understand God's desire for deep and faithful relationships in the human family and how behavior that has no boundaries can devastate people and communities. Be sure to read your lessons before the meeting, as this will be a challenging meeting.

We will not be serving lunch this month. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

Your Co-Moderators, Mary Ann Blevins and Thais Sikora

Wednesday Night Activities



Join us each week for Wednesday Night Supper and Activities.

Supper is at 5:30 PM (\$5.00 donation) with prayer and programs starting at 6:00 pm.

There will be informative and fun activities for all ages, including Children's Choir for age 3 to 4th graders. There is a nursery for under 3 year olds.

Program:

The Adult and Youth Study will be Max Lucado's Book and DVD program called Fearless.

Imagine your life, wholly untouched by fear. What if faith, not fear, was your default reaction to threats? If you could hover a fear magnet over your heart and extract every last shaving of dread, insecurity, or doubt, what would remain? Envision a day, just one day, where you could trust more and fear less. Can you imagine your life without fear?" Come and be a part of the conversation and sharing.

January 29: Fear of Life's Final Moments

February 5: Fear of Global Calamity

February 12: Fear of God Getting out of My Box

Menus:

January 29 - Chicken Pot Pie, Baked Apples, Salad Bar, Cookies

February 5 - Baked Spaghetti, Bread, Salad Bar, Yellow Cake with Caramel Frosting

February 12 - Chili Beans, Corn Muffins, Salad Bar, Valentine Dessert



SESSION NOTES

The Session met on Tuesday, January 21, 2019. Excused was: Jenna Wagner

INFORMATION:

- Ann Aichinger will be on vacation from Feb 6-10. Katherine Campbell will be preaching on Sunday, February 9.
- Youth will be going on a winter retreat, January 24-25, in Pigeon Forge and then help in leading worship on Sunday, January 26.
- Next Bristol Together worship service will be on Sunday, February 23, 6 p.m. at Central Presbyterian Church with Rev. William Ward (Hood Memorial AME Zion Church) preaching. The theme will be healing and wholeness and there will be opportunity for anointing with oil and prayer time.
- Session members shared about their Epiphany Star word and how they are seeing it being lived out in their lives.
- A healing and prayer service was led by Ann Aichinger for the session to gather around Doris Hall as she is preparing to go to Cleveland Clinic for surgery.
- A work day was scheduled by Property and Maintenance for Monday, January 27, 9 a.m.-12 noon.
- Wednesday, February 26, will be a special Ash Wednesday dinner and worship service.

SESSION ACTIONS:

- Approved Katherine Campbell to preach on February 9.
- Approved forming a search committee to fill the opening for Office Manager at Patty's retirement.
- Called for the Annual Congregational Meeting to be held at 10 a.m. on March 1, 2020.
- Received the final financial report for 2019.
- Second vote was taken and approved to allow \$75,000 from the endowment to be used in 2020 as needed.
- Discussed usage of the Harmon Monies in 2020.

Thank you to all who have made commitments to the 2020 budget and who made extra gifts to the 2019 budget. We appreciate your generosity and continual support for the work and ministry of Central Presbyterian Church. Below is summary information about the 2019 end of year as well as the 2020 commitments. If you have any questions, please talk to Rob Hollo, Finance Chair or Mary Moffatt, Finance Director.

2019 Special Offering Contributions \$4,429.38

This amount includes Hunger (5 cents a Meal) offering, Mother's Day offering to Sunnyside Community, Thanksgiving offering to the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands, Christmas Eve offering to the Service Fund, and the PCUSA seasonal offerings.

2020 Stewardship Campaign

79 commitments made for a total of \$277,471.

52 of the 79 met the 2020 challenge of increasing the monthly giving by \$20 (annual increase of \$240).

Extra gifts given for the 2019 budget—\$16,275.00.



shop for ♥ good

Everyone is encouraged to help with the income for Central Presbyterian Church—and you can do this easily when you shop online. Recently, a new tab has been added to the www.CentralPresBristol.org website. Click on the **Shop for Good** tab at the top, and you are connected to several online stores:

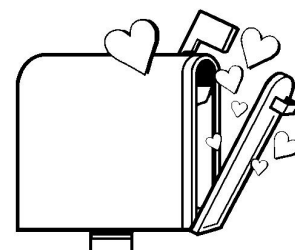
Amazon
SERRV (Fair Trade)
Walmart

Coming soon:

EBAY
Sam's Club
Rada Cutlery

Access any of these online stores by clicking the store name, and **Central Presbyterian will receive a commission** based upon your purchase. All proceeds go toward the ministries of Central – doing good in our community and the world! How it works:

- ◆ Go to www.CentralPresBristol.org home page;
- ◆ Click on the Shop for Good tab at the top;
- ◆ Click the link for the store;
- ◆ Proceed to shop; you can still use coupons and promo codes and you can log in using your account;
- ◆ Central does not have access to any of your information, passwords, purchases, etc. We simply get a small referral fee for sending the store customers;
- ◆ That's it! You don't need to do anything else – just **remember** to click through the Central link so that the church gets credit for the sale!
- ◆ This is a wonderful way to get the stores you shop at anyway to help support all the good work Central does.
- ◆ Feel free to invite your friends and family who shop online to do this as well.
- ◆ If there are stores you shop at online and would like to have included on our website, please let Laurel Broadfoot know and she will look into the possibility of adding it. (931-797-4749 or LaurelBuerk@hotmail.com)





Happy Birthday!

- 2 - Phebe Campbell
Todd Pruett
- 3 - Diane Abbey
- 4 - Jerry Otis
- 5 - Tracy Lilly
- 7 - Eileen Long
- 9 - Cole Lewis
Evan Moore
Cathy White
- 10 - Lynn Butcher
Scott Mercer
Caitlyn Otis
Bob Smith
- 12 - Andrew Clark
Kim Pruett
- 15 - Barbara Mann
- 16 - Dick Gordon
- 18 - Judith Conn
Josh Kite
Vivian Wycoff
- 20 - Lauren Eckley
Kane Mathes
- 21 - Darla Van Dyke
Will Wade
- 25 - Rosa Van Zyl
- 26 - Vicki Myers
- 28 - Peyton Boyd
Chris Brown
- 29 - Kim Sorenson

Remember to pray for each
person on their birthday.



**COMING UP...**

Technology Committee - Monday, Feb. 3,
12:00 p.m.

Committee Chairs - Tues, Feb. 4, 6:30 pm

Church Committees - Tues, Feb. 4, 7:00 pm

Meals on Wheels - Thursday, Feb. 6

APPLE Committee - Tues, Feb. 11, 6:00 pm

Finance Committee - Wed, Feb. 12, 12:00 pm

Next Newsletter - Wed, Feb. 12

Men's Bible Study and Prayer Group - Each Monday, 7:00 a.m. at Shoney's. All men are invited!

Youth Events for 5th-12th graders

Our Winter Retreat in Pigeon Forge was fun, productive, and provided a great opportunity for us to bond as a group. The young ladies who attended also did a wonderful job participating in worship this past Sunday.



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Wednesday, January 29, 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Dinner then dessert and games at Blackbird Bakery

Wednesdays, February 5 and Feb. 12 and Feb. 19, 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Dinner then lesson/activity

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

Sunday, February 9, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Activities at the church

Sunday, February 23, -please note change from normal meeting time- 2:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

We will meet at the church at 2:00 p.m. and head over to Bristol Skateway. We will return to the church around 4:45 p.m. The cost is \$10 to skate.

We have some really fun events planned for the summer, and we need to know who is coming along with us! A list of events was e-mailed with dates and costs. Please let Josie know if you are participating!

Montreat Youth Conference: We are still accepting commitments and money. Please let us know ASAP!

Montreat Middle School Conference: We need commitments ASAP!

Mission Trip: We need commitments and your preference for week/location ASAP. Josie sent out the information via e-mail listing potential dates and locations.



Worship Skit, Jan. 26

L to R: Vivian Wycoff, Juleeana Jones, Ada Ritchie, Bella Ritchie, Becca Reese

Josie Russell, Youth Director

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APPLE Academy would like to thank Central Presbyterian Church and all the members for all their prayers and support in 2019. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting 2020.

APPLE would like to recognize seven of our staff who have completed, with Honors, a Career Development Study Program. Angie Wright, Jessica Rose, Jennifer Yates, Michelle Blankenship, Leslie Mumpower, Melissa Ross, and Becky Widner finished the program in December 2019.

If you are looking for a fun exciting environment to work in, we have the place for you. **APPLE is looking for Assistant Teachers in their Nursery, Toddler, and Nursery Two Classrooms.** Must have a love for children and be a team player. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Becky Widner at 276-669-9328.

RECYCLING NOTE...

The Church is no longer taking eyeglasses for recycling. Please take them to your eye doctor's office.

Also, the BoxTops for Education program is changing to an online program only. Please look for information on the packaging of certain products about scanning and sending barcodes to get Box-Top points for your chosen school.

Volunteers

For Sunday, February 2 (11:00 only):

Coffee helpers - Don & Bernice Hagaman
Greeters

11:00 - Diane Abbey, Lynn Butcher

Children's Church Leaders

11:00 - TBD

Head Ushers for February – Merrie & Danny McInnis

For Sunday, February 9:

Coffee helpers - David & Cathy White
Greeters

9:00 - Trish James, Archer Parsons

11:00 - John Barker, Connie Bullock

Children's Church Leaders

9:00 - TBD

11:00 - TBD

Head Ushers for February – Merrie & Danny McInnis

Food Pantry Volunteers for Feb. 13—Laraine Williams, Diane Abbey, Vicki Wilson

For Sunday, February 16:

Coffee helpers - Cindy & Ken Hale
Greeters

9:00 - Shereé Taylor, Bernice Hagaman

11:00 - Linda Fisher, Dick Gordon

Children's Church Leaders

9:00 - TBD

11:00 - TBD

Head Ushers for Feb. – Danny & Merrie McInnis

Attendance:

January 19, 2020 - 140 in worship

January 26, 2020 - 129 in worship



News for the Church family



Continue in prayer for...

Randy Broyles, Jim Matson, Darla & Jonathon Vandyke, Jackie Phillips (Elmcroft), Sara Burleson (Oakmont), Daphne McCord, Bobby Davis, Hugh (Dominion Senior Care) & Linda Wise, Candy Ellis, Patsy Wampler (Elmcroft), Bill English, and Alice Owenby (Rehab in Asheville).

Memorial Gifts...

To the Memorial Fund for Charles McChesney by Carol Propst;
To the Backpack Ministry for Ethel Shaver by Caroline Jones;
To the Music Memorial Fund for Ruby Brown by Daphne McCord, Ann Aichinger, Caroline Jones, Jean Thomason, and Scott & Connie Bullock.

Thank You...

Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, cards, and food for the loss of our mom and aunt. Your love and support have been a comfort to our family. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

*Love to all,
Linda and Eugene Waldron and Ed Updyke*

• FLOWER CHART •



The 2020 Flower Calendar is now posted outside the church office.

If you would like to place a flower arrangement in the Sanctuary in the upcoming year, you may do so by:

- ♦ Reserving your desired date on the flower calendar;
- ♦ Speak with Patty Caldwell who will place your order with the local florist;
- ♦ Arrangements start at \$50.00 if ordered through the church and you may request certain colors or flowers to be included in the arrangement.

Thank you in advance for your offering of beautiful flowers to enhance our worship space.

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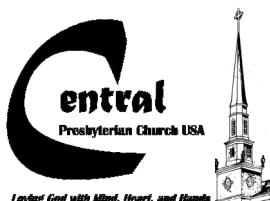
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SNOW POLICY FOR CENTRAL PRES...

Always check the website, Facebook, and your email for last minute changes and updates.

The policy Central follows is:

- * Information will be posted at www.CentralPresBristol.org
- * If Bristol, VA schools are closed (or are dismissed early), large group weekday activities at the church likely will be canceled, including Presbyterian Women and Wednesday Night Activities
- * Committees, Music Rehearsals, Small Groups, etc. please contact your leader to decide whether to meet;
- * 11:00 am Sunday Worship will almost always be held though 9:00 am Worship could be canceled. Come if you can get here safely, but be aware that the parking lot can be extremely slick even when the roads are clear.



Before coming to church when the weather is challenging, always check the above sources or call the church for updated information.

Schedule of Services & Rehearsals:

Sunday:

Coffee Time	8:45 and 9:45 a.m.
Informal Worship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School for all ages	10:00 a.m.
Liturgical Worship	11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Night Activities:

Supper	5:30 p.m.
Programs for all ages	6:00 p.m.

Youth Group (5 to 12 graders):

Wednesday Night	5:30 p.m.
Special Events as scheduled	

Music Rehearsals:

Praise Team, Sunday	7:45 a.m.
Sanctuary Choir	
Wednesday rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
Sunday warm-up	10:30 a.m.
Handchime Choir, Wednesday	5:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir, Wednesday	6:20 p.m.
Children's' Choir, Wednesday	6:00 p.m.
Central Brass	

Various times, ask Robert Campbelle