

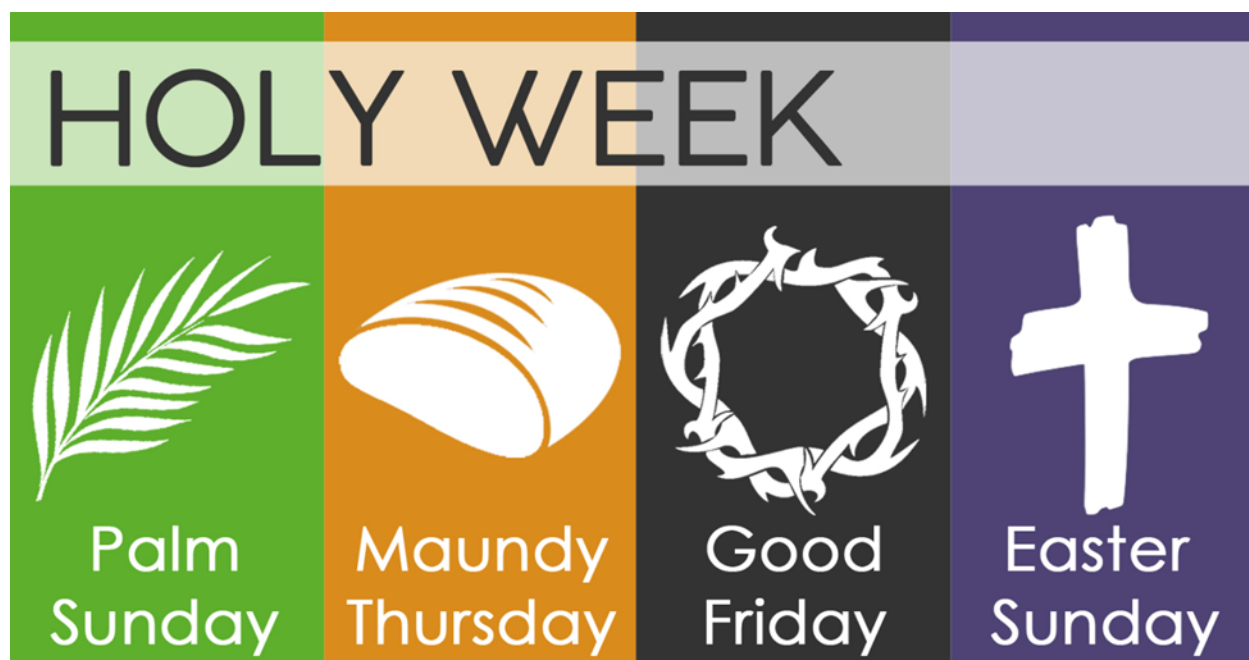


# Central Life

*Central Presbyterian Church*

*April 3, 2019*

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Between the Entry into Jerusalem and the Empty Tomb of Easter morning is the powerful story that shapes our faith and hope. We invite you to follow us through this time.

- April 14**     **PALM / PASSION SUNDAY**     at 9:00 and 11:00  
We begin with the waving of palms and cries of Hosanna as Jesus comes in Jerusalem. But there is much more to this week than the Hosannas turning to Alleluias on Easter. This is one of the most powerful services as we do a choral reading of the Gospel of Luke.
- April 18**     **MAUNDY THURSDAY**     at 7:00  
We remember the last Passover supper that Jesus had with those who followed him. We will gather at tables in Central Hall as we join in a service adapted from the Jewish Seder as well as the Christian Eucharist. We will end with the Tenebrae, which is a service of darkness and shadows.
- April 19**     **GOOD FRIDAY**     at 12:00  
We gather to remember the suffering of Jesus on the cross. This is a short service to remind us of the great love of Jesus. As the Postlude for this service, Joy Briggs will repeat her Lenten Organ Meditation.
- April 21**     **EASTER SUNDAY**     at 9:00 and 11:00; Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00  
HE IS RISEN INDEED! We celebrate this pivotal event in the Christian story. The sermon will be The Three Empty Promises of Easter. There will be special music at both services. Receptions, hosted by the Session, will follow each worship service. There is an Easter Egg Hunt for children, during the Sunday School time, at 10:00.
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**Presbyterian Women** will meet at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 in the small dining room.

Our guest speaker will be Rene' Rogers, Director of the Country Music Museum, who will bring us an overview of the history and program of the museum.

Our Bible Study is # 8, *God with us as the Holy Spirit*. God who was incarnate in Jesus Christ is now present as the Holy Spirit. Ann Aichinger will lead us through the study.

Lunch is pot luck, with the main dish being donated, which is white chicken chili. All the other menu items are salad, dessert, and rolls or muffins. Come and enjoy and there is no charge!

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Your co-moderators, Mary Ann Blevins and Thais Sikora

#### Program at 6:00 on Forgiveness (next 3 Wednesdays)

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| Apr 3            | Ch. 3: Honesty: Engaging the Inner Struggle and Ch. 4: Repentance: Getting a New Mind                  |
| Apr 10           | Ch. 5 Forgiving: Embracing Freedom                                                                     |
| Apr 17           | Ch. 6: Beginning Again: Reconciliation and Restoration                                                 |
| Apr 24 and May 1 | Martin Dotterwiech, History Professor at King, will do a two week series on "The History of the Bible" |
| May 8            | TBA                                                                                                    |
| May 15           | Talent Show                                                                                            |
| May 22           | Year-end Fun                                                                                           |

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night **LIVE!**

There is also Youth Fellowship, Children's Choir and Activities, and Nursery.

#### Dinner at 5:30

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| April 3 -  | Taco Bar, Salad Bar, Fruit, and Cookies                                       |
| April 10 - | Hotdogs, Tater Tots, Slaw, Salad Bar, Dessert                                 |
| April 17 - | Ham Rolls, Hashbrown Casserole, Roasted Broccoli, Salad Bar, and Coconut Cake |
| April 24 - | Deli Night, Chips, Salad, Ice Cream                                           |



Faithful Friends

Faithful Friends is a small group experience open to all women. The group meets to discuss the study book (*Experiencing the Spirit*) and to have prayer and fellowship. We meet once a month on Saturday morning. The next gathering will be on **Saturday, April 27, 10-11:30 a.m.** at the church in Room 100. We will look at Lesson 9: From Ordinary to Extraordinary. All women are welcome to be a part of this event.

## Fun Workshop on Digital Literacy

Is technology moving faster than you can imagine or keep up with? Have you given up on trying to keep up with the internet or your smart phone or social media? This is your chance to learn and ask questions about the digital world. Clark Wilson is hosting a workshop on digital literacy. Here, you will be able to learn the basics behind a computer and cell phone, how to use technology effectively, and how to stay safe online through a fun and interactive workshop class for all ages!



This program is part of People for the Steeple: a fundraiser created by the Central Presbyterian Youth Group to raise funds towards assisting the recent church repairs. Everyone is invited to participate in this workshop. Admission cost is \$10.00 per ticket; however, if a member of Central brings a friend outside of Central's family, the admission cost for both you and your friend(s) is discounted at \$5.00 per ticket.

This class will be held Saturday, April 13, at 10:30 am in Central Hall. There is no registration required, but if you are interested, please sign up on the Bulletin Board down the hall from the church office. Grab a friend, and come find out what you don't know about digital life.



Easter is on Sunday, April 21. At 10 a.m. we will have an Easter Egg hunt for all the children. But we need your help to supply candy for the Easter bags that each will receive as a part of this experience. You may drop off your candy in the box outside of Ann Aichinger's office any time until Friday, April 20. If you would like to help hide eggs, please talk to Ann Aichinger or Josie Russell.



**Hydrangeas** for Easter are available to purchase through the church Flower Committee for \$11.00 each. If you would like one (or more), attach a check or cash for \$11.00 each and put in the offering plate, mail, or bring it to the church office by **April 8**. **Gifts to Bristol Faith in Action are also encouraged as an alternative to hydrangeas.**

My name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ hydrangea(s).

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Bristol Faith in Action.

It will be given (circle one) In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_ In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: (how you want it listed in the bulletin) \_\_\_\_\_



King Institute for Faith and Culture has added a program to this year's schedule. On Monday, April 15, 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, the program is **titled *Sing Sistah Sing!*** Andrea Baker, who is a British-American mezzo-soprano will present a concert and conversation celebrating of the sound and extraordinary breadth of the African American female voice. Through a mixture of storytelling, jazz, blues, opera, art song, gospel, and rollicking piano virtuosity, this program weaves together the incredible life stories of African American women during the Civil Rights Movement and their struggle for personal and artistic freedom at home and abroad.



Andrea's musical performances will be accompanied by pianist Peter Maleitzke. Peter has a vast list of accomplishments to his name, even beyond his piano virtuosity and music composition. Among his theatrical credits is the first national production of *Phantom of the Opera*, as well as productions of *Gypsy* (for which he won a Dean Goodman Award), *A Little Night Music*, *Rags*, *The Most Happy Fella*, and *Closer Than Ever*.

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EASTER is a great time to make your commitment to be a part of the family of faith here at Central. If you are interested, talk with one of the Pastors and we can help you. If you have been attending but have not taken the next step to membership, maybe this is the time.

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- The **Church office** will be closed on Monday, April 22.
- The Co-Pastors will be on **Study Leave** from April 24-26 at the Q Conference in Nashville.
- The Co-Pastors will be on **vacation** from Sunday afternoon, April 28 through Monday, May 6. Brian Alderman will be preaching on May 5.
- We will take **the Sunnyside Offering** on Mother's Day, May 12.
- We will have a **Talent Show** on Wednesday, May 15, so get your acts together.
- We will go to our **Summer Worship Schedule** with one service at 10:00 on May 26. We alternate between Central Hall with the Informal Service and the Sanctuary with the Liturgical Service. We will start on May 26 in the Sanctuary and have a pot luck lunch following.



We want to see your photos from church events! If you are at an event with church members, please snap some photos and send them to [centralpresbristolphotos@gmail.com](mailto:centralpresbristolphotos@gmail.com) so we can use them for social media and the website!





## WANT TO HELP?

Last Summer, our youth went to Grand Rapids, MI for a one week mission experience, working with Group Mission Trips. While there, Clark Wilson was encouraged by the summer staff to consider being a Red Shirt (staff member) in the summer of 2019. Through a series of applications and interviews, Clark has been hired as Program Director for one of the sites this summer. He will help lead those who bring their youth for a mission experience. Part of his commitment to this position is having two weeks of training in Colorado before he is assigned to his summer site. The Session of Central agreed to ask the congregation to help Clark get to Colorado and then to his summer site through monetary help.

**If you would like to help with Clark's travel costs to Colorado and then on to his summer position, you can give to the Service Fund, memo: Clark Wilson. Thank you for your assistance in being a part of Clark's experience.**

## Summer Mission Trip to Nashville, TN June 30-July 5



This summer, the youth will be going to Nashville to serve as a part of Group Mission Trips. The dates are Sunday, June 30 (leaving right after worship), and returning on July 5. All youth from **12 years old to high school graduates** are invited to go. Plus we need at least **one adult**, but more are welcome to come.

So what will we be doing? We will be a part of the Community Service type work. Each work team will build relationships with the people of Nashville, and experience God working through them at projects such as:

- Work with lower-income children through an organization that offers tutoring, summer camp, a basketball league, job skills training, and other recreational and cultural activities as a positive alternative to the streets.
- Assist refugees through a ministry that engages churches, other organizations, and individuals to assist immigrants and refugees in the region.
- Serve with a local summer school that works to increase literacy to keep kids off the streets and out of the prisons.
- Help teach rising Kindergartners their basics like ABCs, colors, shapes, and work with them on reading in a safe summer environment.
- Spend time with individuals involved in a program that offers structured activities to older adults with cognitive or physical limitations.
- Provide help to seniors that are unable to work on the inside and outside of their homes.
- Package and deliver diapers to families through the Diaper Connection.

Now is the time to sign up and get registered to have an awesome experience this summer. The cost: \$150 which covers the travel, food, lodging, and registration for the work trip. You can pay \$50 as a deposit to go on this trip. Get your money to Ann Aichinger by **Sunday, April 14**. If you have any questions, please talk to Ann or check out the website: [groupmissiontrips.com/trip-types/community-service/nashville-tn-2019/](http://groupmissiontrips.com/trip-types/community-service/nashville-tn-2019/)





## BACKPACK NEEDS

The school year is closing in on completion, we have six more weeks of back packs to deliver. If you would like to contribute to our Mission, we could use Little Debbie Oatmeal cookies, pudding cups, and applesauce cups. We are still doing 35 back pack bags each week.

Thanks so much, the Back Pack Committee



## Holston Habitat for Humanity Fall Build

Central Presbyterian Church will be one of 10 congregations involved in building a home for Summer and Richard Mays and their family in Bristol, TN. The build will start with a ground breaking ceremony on August 10 at 10 a.m. with a cookout following. In September, the walls will be raised, and the house put together. Hopefully the family can move in near Christmas time. Central Presbyterian Church will have three days as our work days and we will need volunteers as well as those willing to provide lunch for the volunteers on those days. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this project. Volunteering on a Habitat build site requires no experience—just bring your enthusiasm and they'll take care of the rest. You will have the opportunity to enhance your construction knowledge, learn new skills, meet new people, and develop leadership skills.

To prepare, please fill out your volunteer form at [www.holstonhabitat.org](http://www.holstonhabitat.org), and click on the Volunteer button. Come be part of this exciting adventure! Let's make a difference in our community. For more information or to find out more about the schedule, please talk to Ann Aichinger ([annaichinger@gmail.com](mailto:annaichinger@gmail.com)).



## Concert Tickets

Central Presbyterian was given four tickets to each of this year's concerts. They are free for the taking, first come.

Saturday, April 6, 7 p.m. (Eastman Center) Brahms Requiem. Four tickets available.

Sunday, April 7, 3 p.m. (Eastman Center) Youth and Primo Orchestra Spring Concert. Four tickets available.

Please talk to Ann Aichinger if you are interested in getting these tickets.

## One Great Hour of Sharing - A Special Offering of PCUSA

Received on Easter Sunday, Presbyterians worldwide join in sharing God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed with this offering.

This Lenten Season you may give to OGHS:

- ◆ Through the congregation using the envelopes provided on Easter Sunday;
- ◆ Donate by credit card online at [presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs](http://presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs);
- ◆ Text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10.

One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries with:

- ◆ Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- ◆ Presbyterian Hunger Program
- ◆ Self-Development of People

**IF WE ALL GIVE A LITTLE,  
IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!**

## WHAT CENTRAL CAN LEARN FROM UVA BASKETBALL (from Frank A.)

As most of you know, I am passionate about one sport – UVA Basketball. And I have delighted as I followed the team through this successful season. What makes them great is more than the skill and the winning; it is the values that the program is based on. That all begins with the coach, Tony Bennett. He has five pillars on which he bases his work with the team.

These Five Pillars have a lot to say to the church. For we too are seeking to build a successful team based on values. (Tony Bennett is a vocal and active person of faith.)

### **HUMILITY: Know Who You Are**

We have seen those teams with star players, who when they leave, the program suffers. Humility is the foundation of working together with others, and helping them to reach their potential.

***“The humble colleague is more likely to cultivate trust, encourage an exchange of ideas, help others develop while being open to their own areas for development, show empathy and generosity, and succeed at work that requires change or assessment.”***

### **PASSION: Do Not Be Lukewarm**

Passion is the living out of a powerful vision. At the core of our faith is that call to be committed, to be passionate.

***“By understanding those you lead, by leveraging their strengths and pushing them outside their comfort zones toward that shared aspiration, you can inspire people to believe in their own abilities to reach exceptional heights.”***

### **UNITY: Do Not Divide Our House**

The church can too often find reasons to divide and squabble rather than work together.

***“The most successful teams communicate well, building on each other’s ideas. They agree on the team’s overarching mission, but they also each have a meaningful, internalized objective that makes the broader goal their own.”***

### **SERVANTHOOD: Make Teammates Better**

Jesus had a emphasis on serving each other. But too often in the church, we come for what we can get and for not what we can give.

***“But if we can emphasize alignment between our individual sense of purpose and that of the organization, if we can build commitment to our goals by supporting our teammates with peer feedback and coaching, if we can express our needs while considering those of the people around us, and perhaps most importantly, if we can practice ways to constructively voice and enact our values, we may find the skills, the scripts, and the comfort to be our best selves in all situations – not just the easy ones.”***

### **THANKFULNESS: Learn from every circumstance**

***“Be thankful each morning for the gift of life – another day to embrace your learning journey. Give thanks throughout your day to those that serve you, help you, and who are kind and giving to you.”***

The foundation for this article came from TONY BENNETT’S ‘FIVE PILLARS’: WHY THEY WORK AND WHAT WE CAN LEARN in [www.news.virginia.edu](http://www.news.virginia.edu). Bold type paragraphs are quoted from same.



Do you have a graduate in your household? Either from High School, college, university, advanced degrees? Central Presbyterian Church wants to honor our graduates as a part of worship and in a May Central Life newsletter. So let us know the graduates name, school, degree/certificate, and future plans. Send your information to the church office. ([office.cpc@bvum.net](mailto:office.cpc@bvum.net))



## All youth (5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders)

We have both Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoons planned for youth events. Come and be a part of this great group.

Wednesday, April 3	5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. dinner and fellowship
Wednesday, April 10	5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. dinner and fellowship
Wednesday, April 17	5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. dinner and fellowship
Wednesday, April 24	5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. dinner and fellowship

Sunday, April 14	3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Meet at the church for games, fellowship, and learning. Bring friends and snacks if you want to share.
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Sunday, April 28	3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Meet at the church then we will go to Steele's Creek Park for some outside fun! Bring friends and snacks if you want to share
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Reminder that there is Youth Sunday School every Sunday 10-10:45 a.m. in the Café downstairs.

# Montreat

Commitments and \$50 deposits are due for anyone planning to attend High School Montreat (June 2-7) and Middle School Montreat (July 17-21).





## Coming up...

**The Men's Bible Study and Prayer Group** meets at Shoney's at 7:00 a.m. each Monday.

**Meals on Wheels** - Thursday, April 4

**Young Adult Study** - will not meet on April 7, final meeting on Sunday, April 14, 5:00 pm

**APPLE Committee** - Tuesday, April 9, 6:00 pm

**Finance Committee** - Wed, April 10, 7:00 pm

**Technology Committee** - Friday, April 12, noon

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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 to 4:30, Monday-Friday

## Volunteers

### For Sunday, April 7:

**Coffee helper** - David White

#### **Greeters**

9:00 - Debbie Wagner

11:00 - Dick Gordon, Rich Williams

#### **Children's Church Leaders**

9:00 - Allen, Alisa, & Maddie Harris

11:00 - Courtney Reese

**Head Usher for April** - TBA

**Food Pantry Volunteers** for April 11 - Diana White, Laraine Williams, Janis Davis

### For Sunday, April 14:

**Coffee helpers** - David & Cathy White

#### **Greeters**

9:00 - Caroline Jones, Jean Thomason

11:00 - Connie Bullock, Nancy Kiser

#### **Children's Church Leaders**

9:00 - TBA

11:00 - TBA

**Head Usher for April** - TBA

### For Sunday, April 21:

**Coffee helpers** - Ken & Cindy Hale

#### **Greeters**

9:00 - Sheree Taylor, Glenn Himstedt

11:00 - Caroline Jones

#### **Children's Church Leaders**

9:00 - TBA

11:00 - TBA

**Head Usher for April** - TBA

## Attendance:

March 24, 2019 - 121 in worship

March 31, 2019 - 130 in worship

## News for the Church family

### Sympathy...

We offer our Christian sympathy to Beth Parks and family on the death of her father, Robert Porter, on March 26, 2019 in Richlands, VA.

### Continue in prayer for...

Ruby Brown, Charles McChesney, Darla & Jonathon Vandyke, Jackie Phillips, Sara Burleson, Daphne McCord, Randy Broyles, Kathy Story, Candy Ellis, Joan Bussart, Betty Watson, and Nancy Arnold.

### Memorial Gifts...

To the Memorial Fund for Musser Warren by Amelia Jarrad, Margaret Kearfott, Nora Rockett, Mary B. Stuart, Robert & Penny Bruce, and George & Beth Parks; for Jim Geiger by Robert & Penny Bruce; for Harry Oakley by Robert & Penny Bruce and DMA Architecture PLLC.



*I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to all who shared food with my family and I. I also appreciated so much the many lovely cards, the phone calls, thoughts, and prayers received following the death of my husband. A sincere THANK YOU to all,*

Diane Abbey

*To my church family,  
I thank you for the prayers, cards, and calls.  
They were much appreciated. Please keep the prayers coming as I continue my recovery.*

Bessie Kitts

## SOME PICTURES FROM PARISH NURSE WEEK



We appreciate you, Barbara Mann and Thais Sikora!



Reception after worship.



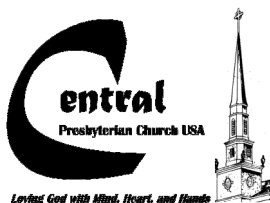
Wednesday Night Accolades

Thank you to Connie Bullock for these photos.

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## Presbyterians Meet

On the years when there is not a General Assembly, the PCUSA gathers as “Big Tent” in the city where next year’s GA will meet. All the different agencies and committees offer a huge variety of workshops and educational opportunities, as well as time to gather as a large group for Keynotes and Bible Study and Worship. All Presbyterians are invited to take part.

This year the event is in Baltimore, and three hotels in downtown. The registration for Big Tent is \$95 and the hotels are \$125/night. You can find out about the educational opportunities and register at <http://oga.pcusa.org/section/big-tent/big-tent-2019/>

### Schedule of Services & Rehearsals:

#### Sunday:

Coffee Time	8:45 & 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:

Handchimes	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Activities	
Supper	5:30 p.m.
Program	6:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir	7:00 p.m.

#### Youth Group (6 to 12 graders):

Wed Night at 5:30 for supper & meeting  
Sundays as scheduled

#### Music Rehearsals:

Praise Team, Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Choir	
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Sunday warm-up	10:30 a.m.
Handchime Group	
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.
Handbell Choir	
Monday (every two weeks)	6:30 p.m.
Central Brass	
Various times, check with Robert Campbelle	