

# CENTRAL LIFE

Central Presbyterian Church May 19, 2021

# Congratulations to ALL of our graduates...

Lauren Eckley, graduates from Tennessee High and will be going to UT Knoxville.

Alisa Harris, graduates from Tennessee High and will be going to UT Chattanooga.

Kenzie Starling, graduates from Tennessee High and will be going to Northeast State.

Maddy Wilson, graduates from Tennessee High and will be going to UT Chattanooga.

Peter Morison, graduated from Radford University with a Bachelor of Arts in Music.

**Katherine Campbell,** graduated from Emmanuel Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity. (She took three years of classes at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Charlotte.) She will begin a year-long chaplain residency program at the Veterans Administration in Johnson City.

The APPLE Academy Preschool staff have been working on specific degrees and certifications for several years. We express our congratulations to Becky Widner, Angie Wright, Melissa Ross, Michelle Blankenship, Leslie Mumpower, Jennifer Yates, and Jessica Rose for receiving their Career Studies degree from Southwest Virginia Community College. Melissa, Jennifer, Jessica, and Michelle are furthering their work towards Associate degrees.



On Sunday, May 16 we officially welcomed our 2020 Confirmation class members into the membership of the church. We are all very proud of them for their hard work.

They are pictured here (L-R): Ada Ritchie, Callie Eckley, Maddie

Harris, and Sydney Collier.

Our high school graduates are pictured here (L-R): Lauren Eckley, Maddy Wilson, Kenzie Starling, and Alisa Harris.



# Congregational Joys and Concerns...

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At Home: Bob and Becky Ingram and Bessie Kitts.

At Brookdale Bristol: Carol Duhaime, Jean Thomason, and Mary Kay English.

At Dominion Senior Care: Hugh and Linda Wise

## **Pastoral Concerns:**

- Larry Surber, as he will be have another back surgery in the near future;
- Dora Webb is recovering at home from a mild stroke;
- Don Miller as he continues to deal with health concerns;
- Jean Thomason as she continues to deal with her back pain;
- Eleanor Rampe as she is dealing with lung cancer and will have a consultation at UVA on June 4;
- Ken Hale's mother, Lorraine, has been moved to Christian Care Center;
- Mary Wampler's mother, Barbara, is at Exit 7 Rehab;
- Glenn Himstedt's mother Mary, has moved to a care facility in Illinois.

# Continued prayers for:

- Doris Crabtree who continues to deal with painful arthritis;
- Don Miller and health concerns;
- Allen and Retta Vance are home with 24 hour care;
- Alice Owenby as she is dealing health concerns;
- Bob and Becky Ingram are dealing with health concerns;
- Courtney Reese as she continues to seek help with her MS;
- Mark McCord as he is continuing toward a kidney transplant;
- Vickie Salyer and her family dealing with the COVID virus and others with health concerns.

# We Extend Our Christian Sympathy to:

"Blessed are those who die in the Lord; they will rest from their labors and their deeds will follow them." Revelation 14:13 The family and friends of Bob Stuart, who passed away on May 6, 2021. There will be a graveside service at Mountain View Cemetery on Friday, May 21, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

To the family and friends of Glenn Himstedt, in the death of his sister-in-law, Vicky Stone, who passed away May 9, 2021 in St. Peters, Missouri.

# Memorials...

To the TV/Computer Fund in Memory of Jean Bane and Bob Stuart, given by Archer Parsons.

To the Memorial Fund in Memory of Jean Bane, given by Ann Aichinger, Archer Parsons, George and Beth Parks, Carolyn S. Archer, Jean Thomason, Nancy Kiser, Caroline Jones, Anath and Kevin Qualls, Gene and Kathy Kistner, Whit and Jane Morison, and Carol J. Propst.

To the Music Fund in Memory of Jean Bane, given by Nancy Arnold and Jim and Karen Warren.

To the Memorial Fund in Memory of Roger White, given by Robert W. Smith.



# Sermons...

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May 23	Pentecost: The Difference the Spirit Makes	Acts 2:1- 21; Ezekiel 37:1-14	Sanctuary
May 30	Life in the Spirit: Children of God	Romans 8:12-17, Isaiah 6:1-8	Central Hall
June 6	Life in the Spirit: Seeing that God is Enough	Mark 3:20-35; 2 Cor. 4:13-5:1	Sanctuary
June 13	Life in the Spirit: Attitude of the Heart	Mark 4:26-34; 2 Cor. 5:6-10	Central Hall



# Condolences may be sent to the family of Bob Stuart at the following:

John Franck Stuart Franck 1224 Pembroke Jones Drive Willmington, NC 28405

# Good News...

Congratulations to Glenn Myers as he will be retiring after 41 years of serving as a CPA.

# Continue in Prayer for renewed health and strength for...

John and Linda Barker and their family, Bobby Davis, Alice Owenby, Coleen Wheeler, Randy Broyles, and Jim Matson.

# Worship Opportunities...

We will be continuing to offer an online worship service that is uploaded to the church website on Saturday night for those who are still hesitant about being in-person, or who are on vacation and want to stay connected. We will also broadcast the service to the parking lot on station 106.7 FM which allows you to sit in your car and listen to worship. As we gather for in-person worship, we will be alternating between the Sanctuary and Central Hall through the month of September. Please feel free to connect with us as you are able.



Wednesday, May 19		Central Life is online	
Thursday, May 20	6:30 p.m.	APPLE graduation in parking lot	
Sunday, May 23	10:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary - Pentecost (Please wear <b>RED</b> )	
Sunday, May 30	10:00 a.m.	Worship in Central Hall	
Monday, May 31	Office Closed	Memorial Day Holiday	
Tuesday, June 1		Committees meet Page 3	

The Session met on Tuesday, May 17, 2021 by Zoom. The following items were discussed and/or voted on:

As a part of our sharing time, we responded to the question: What are you praying for?

- Ann Aichinger gave updates on the issue of the erosion of the bank off the alleyway at the church.
- There was a lengthy conversation concerning the COVID guidelines and how Central Presbyterian is going to respond and what requirements are still in place for our church family gatherings. At this time, the Session unanimously approved the following as the guidelines for our life at Central:
  - 1. For all congregational gatherings, we will continue to wear masks or face coverings as well as maintaining social distancing.
  - 2. For outside groups using the building, they are required to wear masks or face coverings while in the building, and maintain social distancing.
  - 3. Everyone will be encouraged to be vaccinated so that we can move back into lessening the restrictions.
  - 4. The session will re-evaluate the guidelines monthly as the Worship and/or Administration and Staff Committees offer recommendations.
  - 5. These guidelines are given as a way to care for one another and our neighbor. The wearing of masks is a demonstration of our Christian love for God, and for one another.
- APPLE Academy has 48 children enrolled in the Summer program which will begin on June 1.
- Ann Aichinger reported that the Presbytery is calling Rev. Ann Elyse Van Winkle as the new Presbytery Leader. She will start on August 1, and she will be introduced at the July 8, 2021 Presbytery meeting, which will be in person.
- Central Life newsletter will be published (online and in print) on June 2, June 23, July 7, July 28
  and August 18.
- Financial gifts have been given to the church from the Estate of Jackie Phillips, and by Cary Allen in memory of members of the Roberts' family which include Bradley Roberts, Randy Roberts, and Alice Gordon, as a way to honor Central's work and ministry. The Session will acknowledge our gratitude to these families with a letter. The Session voted to place these monies in New Covenant Funds which are Session restricted monies, and may be used, as needed, for the continued ministry of the church.
- The Financial review that was done by Glenn Myers was received with appreciation.
- Nominating Committee brought the slate of nominations for the Class of 2024: Patty Caldwell, John Dodge, Missy McCord, Sheree Taylor and Linda Waldron. A Congregational Meeting has been call for Sunday, June 20, 2021 at 11:15 a.m. following worship.
- The next Session meeting will be Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom.

# June Birthdays



# Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

Don Miller	1
Dave Wilson	1
Elena Dodson	1
Linda Barker	2
Bob Scott	4
Elise Allen	6
Stella Kite	6
Bill Prince	8
Mike Ellis	10
Jackie Dennison	14
Brian Alderman	16
Lorrie McGovern	17
Alisa Harris	17

Mark Ellis	18
Retta Vance	19
Ann Landis	21
David Meade	21
Cheryl Clark	22
Joy Briggs	23
Ed Sutphin	24
Donna Leonard	26
Patty Caldwell	28
Kloe Thomas	28
Barbara Pyle	29
Patty Browning	30
Kassidy Campbell	30

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# Sunday, May 23 Celebration of Pentecost



# Please wear Red as a symbol of the Holy Spirit

Pentecost is the celebration of the giving of the Holy Spirit and the creation of the church, which is the Body of Christ on earth. So, it is in fact the birthday of the Church. After Jesus rose from the dead on Easter, he spent 40 days with his disciples and followers. Then he ascended into heaven. But before Jesus left them, he told them that the Spirit would come upon them, and then they were to go and be witnesses of what they had heard and seen.

We will gather in the Sanctuary this Sunday for Pentecost, and you are invited to wear something **RED**. Red is the symbol of the Holy Spirit which comes in the form of fire. Fire is an earthly element that is all consuming, and changes whatever it touches. The Spirit is the same in that it changes whatever it touches.

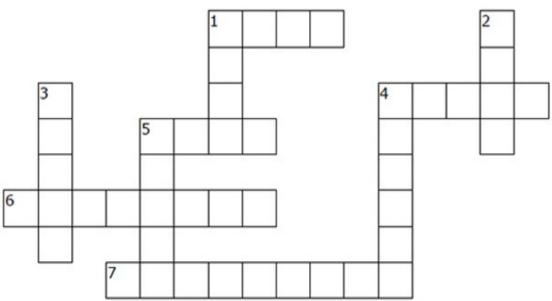
We will begin a sermon series, Life in the Spirit, and the changes that are made in us as a church and in our world, as the Spirit lives among us.

# The Day of Pentecost

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4 (NIV)

Based on Acts 2:1-21





# **ACROSS**

- A destructive burning
- Something that can be heard
- Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
- Means of communication used by the people of a particular country
- The day the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles

# DOWN

- 1. Make something to be full
- Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
- 3. To say words, to use the voice
- A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
- 5. A building which people live in

FILL	HOUSE	SPEAK	WIND	LANGUAGE
SOUND	SPIRIT	PENTECOST	HOLY	FIRE

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# CENTRAL LIFE

# How to Keep in Touch:

<u>www.facebook.com/CPCBristol</u>: You do not have to sign-in or log on. Just click "not now" and the site will pop up. Scroll down to find the latest message.

<u>www.CentralPresBristol.org</u>: Click on "View Sermons" then scroll down to see Pastor Ann's videos for each day.

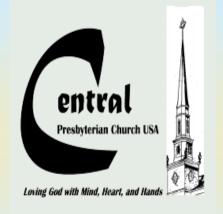
# Options for giving to the work and ministry of Central Presbyterian:

\* You can give in a check, or cash, in the offering plate, dropped by the office, or mailed to:

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- \* You can give through your online banking to Central.
- You can set up an automatic deposit from your account; please talk with the Finance Director on how to do this.
- You can TEXT to CentralPres (no spaces and Capital C and P) to 73256. You will be directed to make your donation through Realm.
- \* You can give one time, or regularly, through your **Realm Connect** profile.

**Reminder:** Please continue to send in your pledges and financial support for Central Presbyterian. Although the church building may not be fully operational, the work and ministry is still happening.



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