

Central Presbyterian Church  
March 8, 2023



Igor, Anya, Nikita and Eva have all begun to settle into life here in Bristol. In these last four weeks, they have accomplished much. Both Eva and Nikita are in school and making friends. Nikita has been chosen to play on the Tennessee Middle School Soccer team. Igor passed his TN Driver's tests. Anya is cooking meals for the Barkers and learning to sew with the help of Janis Davis. Anya taught knitting in Ukraine and had to leave all of her supplies. Through the kindness of Loraine Williams, she now has yarn, needles, and other materials necessary to be knitting once again.

They have been busy with appointments, filling out forms, and having health tests. They will be hosting a Ukrainian dinner one Wednesday night in April and then sharing about their experience in Ukraine. Continue to pray for them as they make adjustments to living here and for their families and friends back in Odessa and in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone's kindness and welcome to them.

Note from the Barkers: ( Please see the card hanging on the bulletin board outside of the church office!)  
*"Dear Church Family—We would like to thank everyone for your generosity and loving care of Igor, Anya, Yeva, and Nikita Mashkin. Your material, financial, and emotional support have made their transition to the U.S. so much smoother. They are doing well and have made good progress in all they have to do. We are grateful to you. In Christ, John and Linda Barker / The Mashkin Family"*

## Holy Week Schedule:

- Sunday, April 2: Palm/Passion Sunday---two services with the reading of the Passion Story from Matthew's Gospel
- Wednesday, April 5: Wednesday Night dinner and program for all ages  
 Adults: People of the Passion: Judas Iscariot
- Thursday, April 6: Maundy Thursday Service: 7 p.m. in Central Hall with Communion
- Friday, April 7: Good Friday service: 12 Noon in the Sanctuary  
 Good Friday Service: 7 p.m. at **State Street United Methodist Church**  
 Combined Choirs to present Rutter's *Requiem*
- Sunday, April 9: Easter Sunday Worship at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. with an Easter Egg Hunt at 10:15 a.m. for children up to fifth grade.  
 Confirmation class will be joining the church in worship  
 Pinwheels for Peace will be available to decorate.



## Guest Preacher: Dr. Martin Dotterweich, March 19

Ann Aichinger will be out of town March 14-23 on a trip down the Danube River from Budapest, Hungary to Passau, Germany. She will be sending her daily videos with pictures from her trip. You can see these on her Facebook page daily.

On Sunday, March 19, we will welcome Dr. Martin Dotterweich to our pulpit. He will be leading both the 9 a.m. service and the 11 a.m. service. We hope you will come out and be part of these worship times.





Daylight Saving Time begins this Sunday. But in preparation for that, instead of waiting until Saturday night to change clocks, why not change them during the day on Saturday? This way you begin to change your routine and schedule to fit the time change. Then Sunday morning is not so abrupt with “losing” an hour.



Who is graduating in your family this Spring or Summer that you want recognized at Central?

We need the name of the student, school attended, degree (and area of study), future plans (further schooling, work, etc.). Please send this information to the church office by email ([office.cpc@bvu.net](mailto:office.cpc@bvu.net)) or by calling (276-669-3157).

We will recognize our graduates on **Sunday, May 21** as a part of our worship service .

## Lenten Organ Meditations

The Lenten Organ Meditations this year will feature three organists and will be held on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. It is our hope that the change from Wednesdays at noon to Sunday afternoons, will allow people who otherwise could not attend, to come and enjoy the programs.

Sunday, **March 12**, will feature Timothy Hagy. A native of Bristol, Timothy graduated with honors from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York where he studied organ with David Craighead and Russell Saunders. As a Fulbright scholar, he enrolled in the Vienna Conservatory in the studio of Herbert Tachezi. He has held positions as Music Director for Episcopal churches in Swarthmore, PA, Washington, DC, Memphis, TN, and Winchester, MA, as well as the Episcopal cathedral in Providence, RI. A lifelong Francophile, Mr. Hagy taught at the *Universite de Cergy-Pontoise*, while living in Paris as an expatriate for six years. In the Tri-Cities area, he has served as musician for State Street UMC and Reformation Lutheran Parish in Greeneville. Mr. Hagy’s choral compositions are published by Paraclete Press.

Mr. Hagy will be followed by Donna B.Fowlkes on Sunday, **March 19**. Donna, no stranger to Central Presbyterian, is currently serving as the organist at State Street Methodist. Donna is a graduate of Waynesboro High school, Waynesboro, VA and earned a Bachelor of Music Education from James Madison University with a concentration in organ and voice. Donna taught public and private school music in all grades in southwest VA from Wythe County to Bristol but felt her calling was to middle school students. She retired after 25+ years of teaching. Starting at age 14, Donna’s piano teacher gave her organ lessons to provide a substitute in the community which led to her first full-time organist position at First Baptist Church in Waynesboro. She has enjoyed leading music and worship at area Roman Catholic, Presbyterian (PCUSA), and United Methodist churches. Donna is married to Tom Fowlkes and has 3 children and 3 grandchildren.

The Series will conclude with Joy Smith-Briggs, organist at Central Presbyterian Church, on Sunday, **March 26**.



Wednesday Night Fellowship and Activities for All Ages (5:30—7:00 p.m.)

We gather for our Wednesday night dinner and program for all ages and we hope that you will join us for a time of fellowship and study and conversation. There will be a nursery as well as activities for our children and youth.

During the Season of Lent, the adult study time on Wednesdays is an opportunity to consider several of the people connected to the Passion of Jesus. Ann Aichinger will provide insights from her experience at the Oberammergau Passion Play that she attended last September. Each of these people are familiar to us, yet we might learn new things about their role in the events that led up to Jesus' death and in the days of Holy Week.

There will be two Wednesdays in March that Ann will be away and Dr. Brandon Story will be here to lead a discussion on C.S. Lewis' book, *The Four Loves*. He will talk about two of the loves each week.

Wednesday, March 8:	Peter	Dinner: Chicken Enchiladas
Wednesday, March 15:	The Four Loves: Affection and Friendship	Dr. Brandon Story
Wednesday, March 22:	The Four Loves: Eros and Charity	Dr. Brandon Story
Wednesday, March 29:	Pontius Pilate and Nicodemus	
Wednesday, April 5:	Judas Iscariot	

**Sermons**

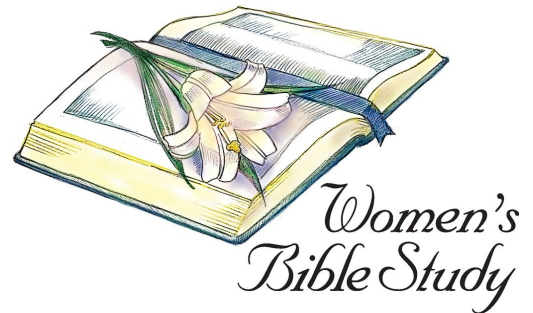
Sunday, March 12:	John 4:4-52	Water, Spirit, Life
Sunday, March 19:	Dr. Martin Dotterweich	(guest Preacher)
Sunday, March 26:	John 11:1-45	The Power of Living Anew
Sunday, April 2:	Matthew 26-27	Palm/Passion Sunday

**Presbytery Women**

Regular Monthly Bible Study  
 Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 11:00 A.M. in the Small Dining Room

Our Lesson is #7, Sabbath and Self Care led by Rev. Ann Aichinger  
 This lesson brings us some very interesting and thought provoking information, and I hope you can all be there.

Your Co-Chairman:  
 Mary Ann Blevins and Thais Sikora



**Well Done! And Congratulations!**



On Saturday, March 4, the Symphony of the Mountains, the Voices of the Mountains and the Highlands Youth Ensemble presented a wonderful evening of music. The focus of the evening was **Robert Campbelle's *Earth Touching Heaven: An Appalachian Requiem***. It was a seven part composition and uplifting in its message and style. Thank you Robert, for sharing your amazing creative gifts with us and with the community.



Wednesday, March 8  
Dinner and activities at church

5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 12

NO YOUTH!

Wednesday, March 15  
Dinner and activities at the church

5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 19  
Games, lesson, and activities at the church

2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

## It's Time to Reserve Your Spot for Montreat Youth Conference!

High School Conference  
June 4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>

You will need to submit a \$150 non-refundable deposit to secure **your spot by April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Ages: rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders through graduated seniors

Here is a little description about the theme:



“What does it mean to experience deep, authentic joy? It can often feel inaccessible or artificial yet opening ourselves up to it provides new possibilities and stretches our boundaries. Join us as we explore the sources and meaning of authentic joy grounded in the light of God’s love and healing power through worship, music, learning, and of course, play.”

In addition to all the amazing things that the actual conference can offer, youth also get to look forward to: Ann’s yummy cooking, a hike up Lookout Trail with Josie, lots of laughs, ice cream every night during Back Home Group, shopping in Black Mountain, Candlelight by Lake Susan (you have to see it to believe how beautiful it is), new friends, new memories, and a deeper connection with God that you just seem to feel when you enter that iconic Montreat gate.

Who’s in?!



## Easter Egg Hunt

Plan now to join us on Easter Sunday, April 9 at 10:15 a.m. for an Easter Egg hunt for children up to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We will hide lots of eggs outside (weather permitting) and then invite the children to go and find them. There will be candy bags for everyone afterwards. So get your basket or a bag to collect them in, and be ready for lots of Easter fun.

We will be collecting candy for the Easter goody bags for the children. If you would like to donate some candy, please drop it off in the office or outside Ann Aichinger’s office door.



**Calendar for March 8, 2023 — March 29, 2023**

Wednesday, March 8	12:00 Noon 5:30 P.M. 7:15 P.M.	Central Life Published Wednesday Night Dinner and Program Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
Sunday, March 12	12:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 4:00 P.M.	<b>Daylight Saving Time Begins</b> Contemporary Worship— Central Hall Sunday School for all Ages Traditional Worship—Sanctuary Lenten Organ Meditation—Timothy Hagy
Tuesday, March 14	11:00 A.M. 12:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Presbytery Women Security Meeting—at the church CL Gamers—Central Hall
Wednesday, March 15	1:30 P.M. 4:30 P.M. 5:30 P.M. 7:15 P.M.	Widow’s Grief Group Finance Group Wednesday Night Dinner and Program Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, March 19	9:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 2:00-3:30 P.M. 4:00 P.M.	Contemporary Worship—Central Hall Sunday School for all Ages Traditional Worship—Sanctuary Youth Group Lenten Organ Meditation/ Donna Fowlkes
Wednesday, March 22	5:30 P.M. 7:15 P.M.	Dinner and Program w/ Dr. Brandon Story Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
Friday, March 24	9:00 A.M.	CL Gamers at the Caldwell Residence
Sunday, March 26	9:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 12:15 P.M. 2:00—3:00 P.M. 3:00—4:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M.	Contemporary Worship—Central Hall Sunday School for all Ages Traditional Worship—Sanctuary Let’s Go to Lunch—Drake’s Youth Group Confirmation Class at church Lenten Organ Meditation—Joy Briggs
Tuesday, March 28	12:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Staff Meeting—Small Dining Room Session Meeting—w/Confirmation Students
Wednesday, March 29	12:00 Noon 5:30 P.M. 7:15 P.M.	Central Life published Dinner and Program Choir Rehearsal

**Let's Go To Lunch:  
March 26, 2023  
12:15 P.M. at Drake's**

**Pastoral Concerns:**

Kim Profitt is recovering from her cataract surgery;  
Missy McCord will have knee replacement surgery today (March 8) and will be home for rehab;  
Woody McGlothlin is at Encompass Bristol for a couple of weeks regaining his strength;  
Mary Kay English is at Encompass Bristol recovering from a mild stroke;  
Doris Crabtree is at Encompass Bristol recovering from some TIAs in the past;  
Errol Rohr (former member) is recovering from a stroke earlier this year;  
Jean Thomason is recovering from pneumonia;  
Bob Ingram had an MRI on Friday to see about placing a stimulator to help ease his back pain;  
Ken Moss is very appreciative of the prayers and is recovering well.



**Continued Prayers for:**

Randy Broyles, Travis Campbell, Bob and Becky Ingram, Niki McGrew, Alice Owenby, Rev. Jack Stephens (NHC Bristol, Room 211A), Ed Updyke, and Linda Wise.

**Prayers for Family members and friends:**

Christy Blevins' father, Roger McGhee; Peggy Callison's son, Orion; Phyllis Morris' brother, Ray Cassell; Sandy Wilson's aunt, Connie Perry; Doris Hall's aunt, Mildred Rutherford; Cathy White's father, Roy Smith; Sandy Wilson's husband, Dave; Eugene Waldron's sister, Joy; Anne Pratt-Proctor's 4 year old grandson, Luke; Mary and William Wampler's granddaughter, Charlotte; Marguerite Buckley's sister, Cathy; Diana White's brother-in-law, Ed Fortner.

**Deepest Sympathy for:**

We express our deepest sympathy to Todd and Kim Pruett in the death of his mother and to Doris Crabtree in the death of her sister, Carolyn Pruett on March 2. The memorial service for her was in Bedford, VA. There will be a visitation at Akard Funeral Home on Wednesday, March 8, 12-1 p.m.

**Memorial Contribution to:**

To the General Fund for Allen Vance by Katherine Taggart Crutchfield.

*Please call the church office (276-669-3157) with any pastoral concerns.*

The **2023 Budget** is available. You can get a copy in the church office or call the office to have one mailed or emailed to you. Thank you to everyone's continual generous contributions to the work and ministry here at Central.



***Our New Budget***



## Sharing Good News

In Scripture, we are called to rejoice with one another. So we invite you to share your good news with the church family. Maybe you have had a promotion or gotten a new job? Maybe there's a new baby in your family, or your child was given an award or had an accomplishment? This is not about boasting, but about sharing so that we can rejoice with one another and celebrate life together. So if you have something to share, send it in to the church office ([office.cpc@bvu.net](mailto:office.cpc@bvu.net) or call **276-669-3157**) so we can include it into upcoming newsletters.

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## Right Now Media---Holy Week and Easter selections



Our church has been gifted an annual subscription to Right Now Media ([rightnowmedia.org](http://rightnowmedia.org)), which is an online video collection of Bible Studies and stories for all ages. You can load the app onto your TV or computer and then you can browse the library of videos.

Check your email for your invitation or call the church office to have your invite resent.

As we are preparing for Holy Week and Easter, you might want to check out some of the following videos:

For Children: The Easter Party or Jesus comes into Jerusalem

For families: He is Alive!

For Adults: Good Friday and Easter with Francis Chan or Holy Week Pilgrimage with Graham Tomlin

You can browse the whole library with key words or books of the Bible. This is a gift for you and your family. Feel free to share it with your extended family and enjoy learning more about what the Bible has to say and how we are called to live as Christ's followers.

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## Baby Shower for Valerie and Matt Coker in the birth of Emma Grace

The Christian Education Committee and the Care and Concern Committee are hosting a baby shower for the Coker's to celebrate the birth of Emma.

This will be on Sunday, March 25, 2-4 p.m. in the Small Dining Room at the church.

Come and enjoy some refreshments and celebrate with them. If you would like to give a gift, please check out their baby registry at: [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and search for Valerie Coker. Other items needed are clothes 6-9 months, 9-12 months, and diapers sized 1, 2 and up.

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[www.CentralPresBristol.org](http://www.CentralPresBristol.org): 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:

Central Presbyterian Church  
331 Euclid Avenue  
Bristol, VA 24201-4013



- \* 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.

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## Office Hours:

The current office hours are:  
9:00 to 3:00 Monday—Thursday  
9:00 to 12:00 Friday

Please call 276-669-3157 for office hour changes and updates.

