# CENTRAL LIFE



Ponderings from a Rocking Chair

Central Presbyterian Church June 1, 2023

Summertime is here! Our routines change and our schedules shift (at least for some of us). We make plans for family vacations, getting together with friends, and going to festivals or celebrations. It is so nice to be able to do some different kinds of activities. But here at Central, we will continue to serve our community, provide worship, have fellowship times (Lemonade in the Shade on Sundays), have meetings and gatherings, and be planning for the fall, as well as many other events.

We hope that wherever your summer plans take you, that you will continue to stay connected to life here at Central. You can join us for worship in person or online on Sundays at 10 a.m. on the Central Facebook page. The newsletter will be available on the church website (www.CentralPresBristol.org). You can send in your financial gifts and offerings (either by mail or online donation). You can follow Ann Aichinger's daily videos on her Facebook page. You can keep us posted where you are and what you are doing; we would love to see pictures of your adventures this summer.

Though our routines change a bit, you are invited to continue to grow in your faith and trust of God. There are wonderful devotionals online (for example: wwww.d365.org) as well as children's activities for faith development. Check out resources on RightNow-Media.org and learn about books of the Bible or people of the Bible. Continue with your daily prayer life and remember to pray for Central and for your church family.

Summer is a great time to enjoy life. But don't forget to continue to share the love of Jesus with others, and to watch for how the Holy Spirit is at work, using you to live faithfully. Be safe, and take care of others. Show the love of God wherever you go. Grace and peace,

Ann



# Lemonade in the Shade

On June 4, we will begin with Lemonade in the Shade on the portico of the church. This will follow worship and will be a time to have some refreshments and visit with one another. If you would like to host one Sunday's Lemonade in the Shade, the schedule is on Ann Aichinger's office door. We are asking that we keep this simple with lemonade, water, and cookies.

# Central Life

#### SunnySide Communities Mother's Day/Father's Day Offering May 1—June 30

Have you ever made a plan and thought you had covered all of the bases? Then something came up that wasn't expected and before you knew it, your plan no longer worked. Sometimes unexpected changes in health can alter a plan, or an abrupt change in the stock market could alter a plan, like a recession or depression triggering a negative economic event that you have little to no control over. How about if you live longer than you thought you would? Do you think your plan would still cover all expenses, including inflation costs that we have been seeing recently since COVID hit?

Any of these changes can impact whether you have shelter, food, or even transportation. This is why we, as Presbyterians, will be taking up an offering to assist some residents who have "outlived their resources" at SunnySide Communities. Our generosity during this annual offering may be the last hope the residents have, since many have no other "resources" or "family remaining" according to SunnySide Communities.

Consider making a monetary donation to SunnySide Communities on June 18—Father's Day. An informational flyer and envelope will be provided on June 18 in the Summer Worship Bulletin.

#### **Pastoral Concerns:**

William Wampler as he recovers from back surgery;

Frances Van Dyke as she works with doctors about treatment plan for cancer;

Norma Donnelly as she continues to recover from her fall;

Heather Kiser as she has met with doctors at Vanderbilt for treatment plan for cancer;

Vicki Myers as her toe and leg are healing;

Joy Brigg's husband, Guy, as he is recovering from a fall;

Missy McCord as she is recovering from knee surgery with additional stiffness in her knee..

#### Family and Friends of Members:

Sandy Wilson's uncle, Junior, who is dealing with cancer;

Vicki and Glenn Myers friend, Mary Lou who is in the last stages of cancer.

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

## Welcome to our New Office Administrator/Finance Director

The Administration and Staff Committee is excited to announce that Kim Profitt will be joining the Central Presbyterian staff on Monday, June 12. Kim will be serving in two positions: Office Administrator, and learning the role of Finance Director from Mary Moffatt until Mary retires on September 15. Please welcome Kim as she learns the operational ways of Central.

# Called Congregational Meeting: Sunday, June 11

The Session has called for a Congregational meeting on Sunday, June 11 immediately following worship. The purpose is to elect officers for the class of 2026. The following names will be placed in nomination:

**★**Marguerite Buckley **★**Susan Campbelle

**★**Matt Coker

★Barbara Mann ★Glen Van Dyke

Thank you to the Nominating Committee for their hard work: Missy McCord, and Cindy Hale from the Session; Diane Abbey, Jane Morison, Becka Reese, Nancy Kiser and Linda Barker.

# **Calendar**

## June 1—June 28, 2023

Thursday, June 1	Central Life Lite goes out	
<b>3</b> 7	10:30 a.m.	Meals on Wheels
	4:00 p.m.	Care & Concern Committee
	7:00 p.m.	Christian Education meeting—Zoom
Sunday, June 4	9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
3,	10:00 a.m.	Summer Worship—Central Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Lemonade in the Shade—-Evangelism
	1:30 p.m.	Youth leave for Montreat Conference
Monday, June 5– Friday, June 9	Church office closed this week	
Wednesday, June 7	1:30 p.m.	Widow's Grief Group
• /	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, June 11	9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
•	10:00 a.m.	Summer Worship—Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	Called Congregational Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Lemonade in the Shade—-Open
Monday, June 12	7:00 p.m.	Thriving Communities Team
Tuesday, June 13	7:00 p.m.	CL Gamers—Central Hall
Wednesday, June 14	Central Life goes out	
•	1:30 p.m.	Widow's Grief Group—-parlor
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, June 15	6:00 p.m.	Youth to Just Jump—goodbye party for
•	-	Becka Reese and Lee Jones
Saturday, June 17	10 a.m2 p.m.	Presbytery Youth Event—PCHH Wytheville
Sunday, June 18	9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Summer Worship—Central Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Lemonade in the Shade—Christian Education
Tuesday, June 20	12:00 Noon	Staff Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday, June 21	1:30 p.m.	Widow's Grief Group
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, June 23	9:00 a.m.	CL Gamers at the Caldwell's
Sunday, June 25	9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Summer Worship—Sanctuary
	11:10 a.m.	Healing Service—Chapel
	2:00 p.m.	Ordination Service for Katherine Campbell
		with reception to follow in Central Hall
Wednesday, June 28	Central Life goes out	
	1:30 p.m.	Widow's Grief Group
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal



# **Upcoming Sermons**

June 4	Trinity Sunday: God at Work	Genesis 1:1-2:3; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
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June 11	The God of the New Places	Genesis 12:1-9
June 18	God of Outrageous Possibilities	Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-17
June 25	God of the Outcasts	Genesis 21
July 2	Our God Given Freedoms	Various verses

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#### **How to Keep in Touch:**

www.facebook.com/CPCBristol: 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.

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:

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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 give one time, or regularly, through your **Realm Connect** profile.



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#### Office Hours:

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