

May 21, 2025

Central Life

150th Anniversary Weekend!



150th Anniversary celebration
What a wonderful weekend we had!
Thank you to everyone who helped out
and
Made it a wonderful time for all!



MORE 150th Anniversary pictures!

Rev. George Fitzgerald
Pastor During Central's
100th Anniversary



Rev. Ann (Fitzgerald) Aichinger
Pastor During Central's
150th Anniversary



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Sermons



Sermons:

May 25	The Spirit Makes All Things New	John 13:31-36 Revelation 21:1-6	Central Hall
June 1	Living into the Spirit	John 17:20-26 Acts 16:16-34	Sanctuary
June 8	Pentecost: Responding to the Spirit	Acts 2:1-21 Romans 8:14-17	Central Hall

June 8 is PENTECOST, the birthday of the Church. You are encouraged to wear **Red** as a symbol of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the church community. We will also recognize our graduates as a part of the worship service.



After worship, we will have Lemonade in the Shade.



PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

We will receive the PCUSA Pentecost Offering on Sunday, June 8. This is one of the regular offerings that we collect with the larger church in changing people's lives and situations. The Pentecost offering goes to support at risk children, youth and young adults. With our gifts, we are there to help build these youngest members of the body of Christ into the people God would have them become. When you give to the Pentecost Offering, you are helping to provide opportunities for young people to grow and share in their faith in Christ.

40% of our collection stays with our congregation to support local ministries with children, youth, and young adults.

25% supports Young Adult Volunteers (YAV), who serve for a year or two in communities around the world, and grow as leaders through Christian service.

25% supports youth through the Presbyterian Youth Triennium.

10% is for children at risk and supports to improve education and provide safe havens.

There are three ways to give:

- * through our congregation using the envelopes on June 8 or by giving and marking your gift for the Pentecost Offering;
- * Text PENTECOST to 91999 to support these vital ministries,
- * you can give online at pcusa.org/give/Pentecost

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called for Sunday, June 15, following worship for the purpose of electing elders to the classes of 2026, 2027, and 2028,



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@bvumet.net or by calling (276-669-3157). We will recognize our graduates on **Sunday, June 1** as a part of our worship service.

**Foster's Closet
at Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands, Wytheville, VA**



Foster's Closet is a new venture by PCHH and they collect gently used clothes and shoes for children, youth and adults. They are able to offer those clothing to those in need. Also, Foster's Closet offers the youth of the PCHH opportunity to learn how to manage a store, and stock items, as well as be involved with customers.

As you are doing some spring cleaning, and changing over your closets to summertime, consider gathering clothing and shoes into bags or boxes, and bring them to the church to go to Foster's Closet in May. If you have any questions, please talk to Ann Aichinger. For more information about Foster's Closet see <https://www.pchh.org>



Ann Aichinger is going to lead a Wild Goose Rising!

The Wild Goose is a New Worshiping Christian community within Abingdon Presbytery, and was started through support of Central. It is located in Floyd County, and has worship on Tuesday nights at 6:30 p.m.

Worship is a time of reflection and conversation and song (Bluegrass style). Plus there are rocking chairs to sit in which make it a rockin' good time for community.

Ann Aichinger has been asked to lead worship on Tuesday, May 27 at 6:30 p.m. There has been dinner as a part of this experience in the past. We will leave the church parking lot at 4 p.m. and return around 10 p.m. If you would like to go to this with Ann Aichinger, please let her know.

Lemonade in the Shade:

One of the summertime traditions we have here at Central is to have Lemonade in the shade following worship each Sunday. Different groups, committees and individuals will help to host these events. This is not to be difficult or complex, but to simply provide a bit of refreshment for fellowship time after worship under the portico. Usually the lemonade is made for you, and you just have to provide cookies or light snacks. If you or your family or group would like to host or co-host one Sunday, please sign up in the office on the Lemonade in the Shade list.

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Calendar

Wednesday, May 21

May 21 - June 4

Central Life Delivered

1:30 p.m. Widows' Grief Group
 7:00 p.m. Choir practice
 6:00 p.m. APPLE graduation
 9:00 a.m. Gamers at Caldwell's home
 1:30 p.m. Caroline Jones' Memorial Service
 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Worship - Central Hall
 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible study, Perkins, ext. 7

Thursday, May 22

Friday, May 23

Saturday, May 24

Sunday, May 25

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 27

Office Closed

12:00 p.m. Staff meeting
 6:30 p.m. Ann Aichinger preaching at Wild Goose
 7:00 p.m. Choir practice
 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. Lemonade in the Shade - Christian Ed hosting

Wednesday, May 28

Sunday, June 1

Monday, June 2

Ann in Montreat this week

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible study, Perkins, ext. 7

Wednesday, June 4

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1:30 p.m. Widows' Grief Group
 7:00 p.m. Choir practice



Ellena Dodson

1

Linda Barker

2

Bob Scott

4

Elise Allen

6

Stella Kite

6

Mike Ellis

10

Jackie Dennison

14

Brian Alderman

16

Alisa Harris

17

Mark Ellis

18

Patricia Sturgill

18

Retta Vance

19

Ann Landis

21

Cheryl Clark

22

Terry Graybeal

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Patty Caldwell

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Kloe Thomas

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Barbara Pyle

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Do you have questions about Central? Interested in Joining?

Are you interested in becoming a member of Central or to find out more about the work and ministry of Central? Then contact Rev. Ann Aichinger about setting up a time to learn more about our church and what we are doing in our community and world.

Are you recycling your aluminum cans? Please bring clean aluminum cans to the church. We recycle the cans and the money generated goes to various community assistance groups.

Have you received your free 8x10 directory portrait ? If you did not order pictures from the photographer, you still receive a free 8x10 portrait. Patty has been trying to hand out as many as possible in person. All those remaining are in the office. Please stop by to pick yours up.

Don't forget to change your bvuh.net emails and **contact the office** so that we may make those changes for the new directory!

Report on the Abingdon Presbytery Meeting

Abingdon Presbytery gathered on Thursday, May 8 at Buchanan First, in Grundy. Ann Aichinger served as Moderator pro-temp. Rev. Erin Skinner, our regional contact for the Presbyterian Foundation preached, and the necrology (those elders and ministers who died in 2024) were recognized.

The committees made reports about the on-going work within the Presbytery. The Committee on Ministry brought a Family and Medical Leave Policy for the first reading. This will be approved at the August meeting. The Council brought a document expressing great concern about the General Assembly Unification Council eliminating all global mission Co-workers of the PCUSA. After presentations about this issue were given by Rev. Ann Elyse Hicks, Rev. Tim Bird, and Rachel Weller (former mission co-worker to Ethiopia), the document was approved and will be sent to the GA stated clerk as well as to the Unification Committee of the General Assembly and to the Mid Atlantic Synod Clerk.

The Presbytery heard reports from the Board of Pensions about some additional programs available, and from Massanetta Spring Conference center about their on-going improvement campaign. The meeting was concluded and all enjoyed a wonderful lunch provided by Buchanan First as a part of their Monday evening Souper Bowl dinners, which is an open evening for anyone to share in a meal.

Session Notes

The session met on Tuesday, May 20 at 7 p.m. Susan Campbelle opened the meeting with devotion and prayer, and then the session shared good advice they had received. After reports about Presbytery meeting and the update on the letter to the GA Unification Commission about the Mission Co-workers, Ann Aichinger reviewed her report and information as well as the calendar. Each Committee was asked to sign up to host two Lemonade in the shade events this summer. John Barker gave an update on the Ukrainian families. Each committee was given time to share about their work and plans for the future. At the end of the meeting, Ann Aichinger reviewed pastoral concerns and David White closed the meeting with prayer.

Backpack Mission Sponsors

**Thank you to the following families who have sponsored
backpack children!**



Patty & Tommy Caldwell
Mary Wampler
Josie Russell
Laraine & Doug Williams
Jean Thomason
Ann Aichinger
Tim Landis
Ann Landis
Ken Moss
Cathy Moss
Carol Duhaime
Ed & Betty Whitehead
Charles Rest
Laurel Broadfoot
William Broadfoot
Joy Briggs
Kimberly Profitt
Lois Clarke
Wes & Ivy Ritchie
George B. Fitzgerald

Add your name to the list!





Healing Hands Health

2nd Annual

Mission Breakfast

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

in loving memory of Karen Boone

Central Presbyterian Church

331 Euclid Ave. Bristol, VA

(Enter from the parking lot behind the church)

Buffet Breakfast served 7:15 am - 7:45 am

Program 7:45 am - 8:30 am

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Pastor Scott Emerine - Branding Iron
Brea Burke, CCHW - Healing Hands Health

No charge to attend. Limited seating.
Reservations are required. Use the QR Code
or contact Amy Moseley at amy@healinghandshealth.org or
423-534-9604

Dress is Casual



RSVP here



Guthrie
DENTISTRY

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PRAYER list

Pastoral Concerns:

- * Linda Waldron's brother, Larry Shaver, had brain surgery;
- * Vicki Myers has health issues;
- * Briggs Allen is recovering from eye surgery;
- * Mary Wampler is home, recovering from knee surgery;
- * Josie Russell has medical issues;
- * Carey Jo, Josie's cousin, will have surgery next week;
- * Jean Thomason has ongoing health issues;
- * Retta Vance fell and broke her foot, but is doing well.

Continued Prayers for:

Wes Alderman and family, Nancy Arnold, Joy & Guy Briggs, Randy Broyles, Doris Crabtree, Dick Gordon, Bob and Becky Ingram, Barbara Mann, Mark McCord, Woody McGlothlin, Ken Moss, Jim Otis, Archer Parsons, Marvin Tadlock, Gale Thompson, Ed Updyke, Glen Van Dyke, Rich Williams, and Linda Wise.

Prayers for Family Members and Friends:

C.J. Lewis, Betty Russell, Josie's grandmother; Sherry Wilson, Sandy Wilson's sister-in-law; Cathy White's cousin, Laura Modena, David White's brother in law, Kenny Hagy; Scott Rasnake, Cathy White & Christy Blevins' friend; Ruby Parker, Cathy & David White's friend; Marvin Tadlock's brother, Donald; Barbara Mann's daughter-in-law, Pamela; Wes Ritchie's work friend, Johann Coetzee; Glenn Myers' cousin, Heather; Donnie Spurell's sister, Barbara; Guy Briggs' daughter, Tracey Patterson; Joy Briggs' friend, Ginger; Amy Williams, friend of the church; Peggy Callison's son, Orion; Sandy Wilson's aunt, Connie Perry; Doris Hall's aunt, Mildred Rutherford; Doris Hall's good friend, Becky.



There will be a memorial service for Caroline Jones on Saturday, May 24 at 1:30 p.m.. Visitation and reception will follow in Central Hall. The family asked in lieu of flowers to please send donations to Central Presbyterian Church.

Thank you for donations sent in memory of Caroline Jones:

Sharon Wilkerson and family

Nancy Kiser

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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:

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.
- * Use the QR Code to connect to the website and the “Give Online” link.
- * 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—Friday

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



Serve the Lord with Gladness