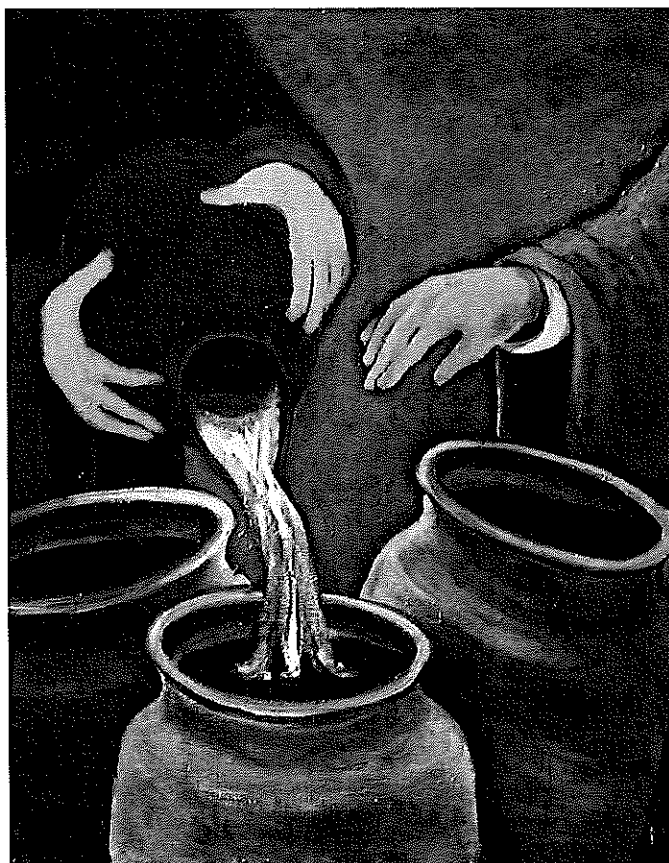


# Central United Methodist Church



**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**April 28, 2024**

**10:45 a.m.**

*Our Vision:*

*Making Christ known by extending hospitality,  
serving the community, pursuing justice and embracing all.*

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## ***We Gather to Praise God***

Prelude

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

arr. Anna Laura Page

Welcome

The Lord be with you! **And also with you!**

Rev. Jimmy Sherrod

Opening Prayer

Rev. Stephanie Parrott

### **† Call to Worship**

We gather to worship in the name of Jesus Christ,  
**our living cornerstone,**  
**who, though rejected by the world,**  
**was chosen and precious in God's sight.**

And like living stones,

**let us be built up into a spiritual house for God,**  
**offering sacrifices of worship and praise that are pleasing in his sight.**  
**Let's worship God together!**

### **† Opening Hymn**

*Christ is Risen*

UMH 307

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.  
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed.  
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.  
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.  
Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.  
Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend;  
Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.  
Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.  
Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"  
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!

## ***We Listen to Hear God's Voice***

† Scripture

John 2:1-11

*This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!*

**A Time for Young Christians**

*Sunday school for nursery through 5th grade is offered every week following children's time except on Sundays when we celebrate Holy Communion (typically the first Sunday of each month).*

**Anthem**

*Grace*

arr. Mark Hayes

**Sermon**

When the Wine Runs Out

Rev. Jimmy Sherrod

## ***We Respond to God's Great Love***

† Hymn

*Fill My Cup, Lord*

UMH 641

Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord. Come and quench this thirsting of my soul.  
Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole. (repeat)

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day, our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Offering our Gifts**

**Offertory**

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus* arr. Mary McDonald

† **Dedication of Gifts**

The Doxology

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## ***We Are Scattered to Serve God in Our World***

### **† Closing Hymn**

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

UMH 715

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;  
the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice;  
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

### **† Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

*Fanfare Postlude on "St. Thomas"*

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

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*† Please stand in body or spirit*

**Prayer List**  
**Sunday, April 28, 2024**

The family of **Bill Dockery**, who passed away April 6 (5215 E Sunset Rd, 37914).

**Rev. Grady Winegar** is now home from rehab.

**Ford Deese** (Mary Humes's 1-year-old grandniece) is having some down days waiting for her blood counts to recover from the last chemotherapy treatment. You can follow Ford's progress on <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/forddeese> . The family's address during treatment is 104 Dorothy Dr, Charleston, SC 29414.

**Diane Chandler Little** (friend of Vicki Webb) has been diagnosed with cancer.

The family of **Rev. Bob Parrott** (Crit Parrott's father), who died April 14.

**Vicki Hollingsworth Webb** (frequent visitor at Central) is now recovering from her fractured shoulder and pelvis at the home of a friend.

**Erin Wright** (Lily Wright's 19-year-old sister) has been released from the hospital after a heart attack.

Please continue to remember **Joey Anderson** (Tiffany Mynatt's uncle), **Sherrie Burr** (wife of Tim Gangaware's colleague Jonathan, 1800 S Hills Dr, 37920), **Pat Cowart** (Melanie Gangaware's mother), **Michael Dearen** (Patty Parham's nephew, 7900 Stephanie Cove, Bartlett, TN, 38133), **Emalie and Haley Dockery** (5215 E Sunset Rd, 37914), **Sancy Hail** (7545 Thunder Ct, Powell, 37849), **David Helms** (801 E Inskip Dr, 37912), **Blaine Honea** (son of Linda Stalsworth Honea, former member of Central, 315 Avondale Dr, Sterling, VA, 20164), **Pat and Peter Keyes** (1155 Lawrenceville Hwy, Lawrenceville, GA 30043), **Diane Lowe** (7125 Meadowbrook Cir, 37918), **Kevin Madill** (Melissa Reseigh's brother), **Joan Moon** (7655 Apple Cross, Corryton, 37721), **Doris Jean Moore** (7404 Kentfield Dr, 37919), **Nancy Morgan** (3105 Atoka Ln, 37917), **Donna Shirley** (Larry Ward's sister, 4133 Stephanie, Jonesboro, AK 72405), **Mike O'Tool** (Ron O'Tool's grandson), **Charles Ragsdale** (Stephanie Parrott's father), **Billy Varnell** (4121 Riverstone Ln, 37918), **Carroll and Lucy Varnell** (4408 High School Rd, 37912), **Kathy Whaley** (friend of Penney Helms, 200 Nodding Oak, Chapel Hill, NC, 27516), and **Bill Winans** (1658 Wisteria View Way, 37914).

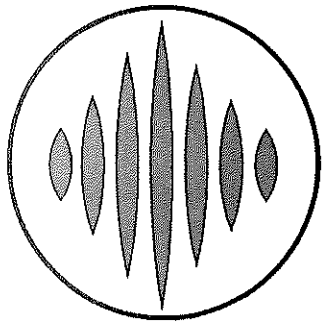
## Looking Ahead ~ Our Calendar

Weekly:

Builder's Class Bible Study via Zoom, Tuesday at 6:30 pm  
Choir, Wednesday at 6:30 pm

April 28	4 <sup>th</sup> and Gill Tour of Homes and Secret Gardens, 1 pm to 6 pm
April 30	Prep Caswell Manor lunch
May 1	Serve Caswell Manor lunch
May 7	Prayer Group, 10 am, Room 213 Retired Teachers, 10 am, Room 210 Healing Stories of Jesus, 11:30 am, Room 209
May 8	Beaumont Teacher Appreciation
May 16	Prep VMC lunch
May 17	Serve VMC lunch
May 18	Private party, 11am – 3 pm, Fellowship hall
May 19	Birthday lunch, Noon, Fellowship hall
May 22	Beaumont 5 <sup>th</sup> grade graduation, 6pm Sanctuary, Fellowship hall
May 27	Memorial Day, Church office closed

**Wow.** *Is the end of the school year approaching?* And all of the kids say, **YES!!** One of the things that Central likes to do is to lavish love on the teachers at Beaumont Elementary at the end of the school year. We do this by baking homemade cakes, cookies, pies, and more for the teachers to enjoy! This year we are doing this on **Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**. Please sign up at Central's new Sign Up Board outside of the sanctuary to let us know what you are bringing! Also, please note that all of the desserts need to be brought to Central by 3:00 pm the previous day, **Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**. If you would like help deliver to the school that morning, you are welcome to join us! We will leave the church approximately 9:50 AM. Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Please text me at (865) 256-4280 to let me know you want to help deliver the ***Sweet Treats*** and see the teachers' smiling faces! Melanie Gangaware



# NEW VOICES

## Holston Conference New Voices Campaign

Holston Conference has a rich history of supporting ministries through our annual Mission Offerings. Each year, people from across the Conference join together to make a difference in the lives of others through this offering. In 2024, we have that opportunity again through the New Voices Campaign!

Our goal is to support Holston's Conference Colleges, Wesley Foundations and Camps. Through this campaign, the goals of increasing connection, community and commitment of the young voices will be achieved. For generations these ministries have had a huge impact on countless lives. We have seen a large percentage of our Holston clergy and laity shaped at these places. In a time of uncertainty, we are investing in our future.

Throughout the years, many people at Central have been shaped by Wesley Foundation ministries, our Conference College such as Emory and Henry, and our camps such as Camp Wesley Woods. Let's celebrate these wonderful ministries by giving towards the New Voices campaign. In a couple of weeks, we will place envelopes in our worship guide to give you an opportunity to give towards this initiative. If you want to give before hand, you can use offering envelopes in the pews or send it to the church office. Please make sure you mark New Voices Campaign. Thank you for helping us to support these vital ministries and institutions.

### Welcome Visitors!

If you are visiting with us today, we invite you to let us know you were here. In front of you in the pews you will find a visitor card. If you are willing, leave us your name and phone number or e-mail address so that we can connect with you and find out more about you and share more about who we are as well.

### Care and Prayer

If you have a prayer request, let us know so we can be in prayer for you. Either use the visitor cards in front of you or e-mail Kathy Gant at [gants@att.net](mailto:gants@att.net)

### Sunday Morning Coffee

The coffee is on! Every Sunday morning at 9:30 am, you are invited to join us for coffee. Connect with Central folks for fellowship and conversation. Coffee is available from 9:30 until 10:45 am.

### The Central Hub

Keep up with what's going on each week by subscribing to our weekly e-newsletter. You can subscribe by going to [knoxcentralumc.org](http://knoxcentralumc.org) and fill out the form at the bottom of the page.

### Spiritual Discipline of Giving and Financial Update

Giving financially is a spiritual discipline and has the power to shape and transform us. When we give, it expresses priorities in our lives. All are encouraged to give out of the abundance that God has provided us. We aren't currently passing the offering plates, but we do ask you to consider giving to the ministries of Central Church in one of the following ways.

- Place your gift in the offering Plate on Sunday Morning. You'll find them as you exit the sanctuary.
- Mail a check to 201 Third Ave. or bring it by the office.
- Give online (text to give) and through the Vanco Mobile App.
- Set up an automatic withdrawal through your checking account. Please reach out to Laurie in the office to sign up.
- Scan the PayPal QR code to donate through PayPal.



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