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Mark your Calendar

March 23

6:30p Experiencing God Study

March 24

7:00p Knitted Together

March 26

4:00p Council on Ministries Meeting

4:30p Confirmation Class

6:00p Youth Group - Junior High

6:30p Youth Group - Senior High

March 28

6:30p Women's Bible Study

6:30p Disciple I Bible Study

March 29

3:30p Wonderful Wednesday

5:00p Children's Choir

6:30p Pastor Bible Study

6:30p Handbell Choir

7:30p Chancel Choir

March 30

6:30p Experiencing God Study

March 31

Newsletter Articles Due

7:00p Knitted Together

April 2

12:15p El Salvador Team Meeting

2:00p Easter Egg Hunt

4:30p Confirmation Class

6:00p Youth Group - Junior High

6:30p Youth Group - Senior High

April 4

6:30p Disciple I Bible Study

6:30p Women's Bible Study

April 5

3:30p Wonderful Wednesday

5:00p Children's Choir

6:30p Pastor Bible Study

6:30p Handbell Choir

7:30p Chancel Choir

April 6

1:30p Grief Group

6:30p Experiencing God Study

Central News

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From My Perspective

For several years now, I've had this thing on my phone now called "Face Time." The whole idea is that you can talk with someone, and see them on the phone screen at the same time. Ever since I discovered this on my phone, it has had no appeal to me whatsoever. Why would I want to see someone while talking on the phone? Why would I want them to see me?

I participated in a Face Time conversation once, because a couple I was going to marry was several hundred miles apart, but the bride set it all up on her iPad and all I had to do was sit at the church and talk with the groom.

Now, however, I have suddenly become very interested in Face Time. I am a new Grandpa, and I live 6 hours away from little Olivia, the most beautiful, intelligent, month-old baby in the world. I get to see her, and I talk with her while she squeals her approval. Face Time is now a wonderful tool.

It's about motivation, isn't it? We tend to accomplish what is most important to us.

That's true in every facet of our lives. We do the things we're motivated to do. So, what are we motivated to do? The things at the top of our lists are the things we get done.

During this Lenten season, I hope you are asking the big questions of yourself. Questions like:

- What matters most to me?
- How does this align with what God wants?
- How motivated am I to bring about God's will?

See you Sunday. I'll be the grinning Grandpa.

What we do here matters.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 2nd at 2:00p

Join us for an afternoon of fun, treats and fellowship with your CUMC family! Children through 5th grade are invited to hunt eggs at Sandy Hill's house beginning at 2:00p.

Contact Wendy or the Church Office for directions if you plan to attend.



Upcoming Events

Make Me a Blessing!

Join us at Jubilation, a Holston Conference retreat for older adults in Pigeon Forge May 1-3. It's a great mix of spiritual sessions as well as workshops on various "senior" issues. Plus lots of music! Brochures are available at back of sanctuary or in the office. Contact Joe Hester with questions. **Registration deadline is March 29th.**

Prayer Vigil

We are collecting prayer requests from the church family, which will be compiled into a book that will be placed in the Prayer Chapel during the Prayer Vigil for your brothers and sisters in Christ to use. Please send in your prayer requests and participate in the upcoming Prayer Vigil April 7-8. Prayer requests forms can be found in the back of the sanctuary, or you can submit your request by visiting our website, CUMCRadford.org.

Wesley Foundation Benefit Dinner

The annual Benefit Dinner for the Wesley Foundation will be held on Saturday, April 1 beginning at 6:30p. Support your campus ministry at Radford by joining them for *A Year in a Night*, a dinner and variety show at 1022 Downey St. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased from Wesley Foundation Board members, or at the Church Office.

Kitchen Angel Schedule Change

Please note: Kitchen Angels are cooking April's meal on the 1st Friday, April 7th, due to Good Friday the following week.

Holy Week Schedule

Easter is on its way! We will have several worship opportunities during Holy Week:
 Maundy Thursday Worship, April 13th at 7:00p :: Good Friday Community Worship Service at CUMC, April 14th at 7:00p
 Easter Sunday Worship - Sunrise Service at 6:45a (breakfast to follow), Contemporary Worship at 8:30a,
 Traditional Worship with Easter Cantata at 11:00a.

CFAA Broadway Showcase

CFAA will host their first ever Broadway Showcase performance on Saturday, April 8th at 7:00p in the Fellowship Hall. The show will feature a variety of old and contemporary musical theater selections. Please save the date and tell your family and friends!
 Tickets are \$5 per person. Hope to see you there!



CUMC Preschool Registration - Save the Date

Central Preschool will have registration for the 2017-2018 school year on the following dates:

Week One March 27-31	CUMC members and active church attendees' children and grandchildren and Central United Methodist Preschool Board members' children and grandchildren.
Week Two April 3-7	Monday- Currently enrolled children returning for another year and siblings of children currently enrolled in program. Wednesday – children of families previously enrolled in program (not currently enrolled).
Week Three April 10-14	Open to the community. Enrollment is based on a first-come basis.

Registration forms will be put into cubbies the week of March 20th. They will also be available on registration day.

A \$50 non-refundable registration fee must be included. Registration must be done on site by a parent.

Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis until all available spots are filled.

Thank you for your continued support of Central Preschool!

OPERATING BUDGET

	3/12/17	3/19/17
Needed YTD	\$108,499	\$118,380
Received YTD	\$103,340	\$108,659
Building Fund	\$795	\$1,630
Designated Gifts	\$1,852	\$969
Received Sunday	\$12,392	\$5,319

ATTENDANCE

	3/12/17	3/19/17
Morning Worship	98	100
Sunday School	146	160
Traditional Worship	147	173
U-Nite	76	-
Total Worship	321	273

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Nursery, Sunday March 26
 Britney Green, Abby Dangerfield
 Jackie Hester, Jess Ninnis, Tayler Shull

Nursery, Sunday April 2
 Justin & Amy Price
 Rob & Kendal Colley, Kari Fender

Meet and Greet, Sunday March 26
 Faithfinders

Meet and Greet, Sunday April 2
 Aldersgate/New Hope/LIFE

PRAYER REQUESTS

April Salvant
 Pat Yanhko
 Kathleen Ratcliffe
 Nick Pappas
 T.G. Gearheart
 Dot Sowers
 Karen Wayt

Charlie Speed
 Johnny Crews
 van Kamp
 Graham & Jennie
 Simmerman

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ryan Haynes – California
 Kerry Keys – South Korea
 Jeffrey Kincaid – Hawaii
 Elizabeth Venegas – North Carolina

Giving Thanks

The Fellowship Committee would like to send a special thank you to everyone who contributed soups for the U-Nite Fellowship dinner on 3/12.

Notable Notes

Mission of the Month - Gideons

Gideons International has been distributing God's Word here and abroad since 1908. We are organized in over 200 countries, and print bibles in 95 languages. To date, we have placed over 2 billion bibles around the world. Last year we placed over 2130 bibles in the Radford area. Additionally we teach a weekly bible study at the New River Valley Regional Jail and supply bibles and devotional materials to the inmates throughout the year. We have also supplied bibles to the CUMC El Salvador mission teams the past several years. All donations go to pay for bible printing and distribution costs. Thank you in advance for your support.

Camp Dickenson Registration

It's time to register for Camp Dickenson! Camp brochures are available outside of the sanctuary and the office, or online at campdickenson.com. A scholarship of \$50 for day campers and \$100 for overnight campers is available. There is also a discount available from the Wytheville District. When you have chosen your dates and are ready to register you can obtain the scholarship codes by calling or emailing the church office.

A Note from Jean Umberger

I have made the decision to move to Richmond to be closer to some of my children. After Vance's death, it is the most difficult thing I have ever done. I have lived in Radford for 48 years, 46 of those here in our home. Vance and I were married at Central. My youngest son was baptized at Central. I will miss my church family, my neighbors, my many other friends very much. The movers come to pack and load April 10 & 11. The truck arrives in Richmond on April 12.

A number of friends have been helping me pack and sort. Sometime after the move, Entrusted Auctions will be conducting an auction here at the house, mostly concerning Vance's vast collection of tools and equipment.

Bill Bondurant hopes to put the house up for sale by May 1st.

My new address is: **Mrs. Vance Umberger, Apt. #325, 9801 Harmony Woods Way, Richmond, VA 23233.**

The apartment is located in west end in the Short Pump area, just off Three Chopt Rd. I am close to the Short Pump Mall. I will have a guestroom w/bath, so if you wish to come visit or come to "shop until you drop" you will be most welcome to come and visit once I get settled at the Umberger B & B. My cell phone number is 540-641-1898.

Meanwhile, please pray for me as I make this huge change.

- Jean Umberger