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Central News

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From My Perspective

Every morning, upon rising, I have my first cup of coffee. This is an important part of my routine. That first cup always makes me a nicer person. That first cup also gets two packets of artificial sweetener. It seems to go down better with a little sweetener.

This morning, I awoke at the Microtel in Chattanooga. The room rents for \$40 per night, but it's nothing but first class for me and my gal.

I headed downstairs for my first cup of coffee and the free breakfast. I found the coffee, poured myself a cup, then looked for the yellow packets of sweetener. That's when my new day fell apart. The Microtel had pink sweetener, and blue sweetener, but no yellow sweetener. I asked the attendant why there were no yellow packets. Her answer surprised me. "The yellow packets are expensive, and people steal them, so we quit carrying them."

As an indirect victim of a crime, I protest. Indeed, I ask, "What part of 'Thou shalt not steal' do we not understand?"

We have a job to do, Church. We need to remind people that there are rules, and that the rules still apply. We also need to remind folks that there's grace and forgiveness available for all of us.

See you Sunday. I'll be the guy drinking coffee with the yellow sweetener. What we do here matters.

Mark your Calendar

November 3

3:30p Chess Club
6:30p Experiencing God Study

November 4

7:00p Knitted Together

November 5

3:00p Fall Work Day

November 6

6:00p Administrative Board Meeting
6:00p Youth Group - Junior High
6:30p Youth Group - Senior High

November 7

7:00p Worship Committee Meeting

November 8

6:30p Disciple I Bible Study
6:30p Women's Bible Study

November 9

3:30p Wonderful Wednesday
5:00p Children's Choir
6:30p Pastor Bible Study
6:30p Handbell Choir
7:30p Chancel Choir

November 10

Lifeline Screening Event
3:30p Chess Club
6:30p Experiencing God Study

November 11

Newsletter Articles Due
12:00p Kitchen Angels
7:00p Knitted Together

November 13

5:15p F5
6:00p U-Nite

November 14

6:30p Charge Conference

Lifeline Screening at CUMC

Do you have high cholesterol or high blood pressure?
Have members of your family suffered from these ailments?
Do you have a poor diet?

If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, you may want to consider being screened through Life Line Screening. Life Line uses ultrasound technology to view the plaque build up in your carotid arteries, the main arteries that carry blood to the brain. Blockages in these arteries are a leading cause of stroke.

We are pleased to host this Life Line Screening event on
Thursday, November 10th at CUMC.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.**

Upcoming Events

November Meetings

If you serve on the following teams, please make note of the scheduled meetings:

- **Administrative Board**, Sunday, November 6th at 6:00p
- **Worship Committee**, Monday, November 7th at 7:00p
- **Charge Conference**, Monday, November 14th at 6:30p
 - **Care Shepherds**, Sunday, November 20th at 12:15p
 - **SPRC**, Tuesday, November 22nd at 7:00p
- **Endowment Committee**, Monday, November 28th at 7:00p
 - **Mission Team**, Tuesday, November 29th at 7:00p

Gleaning Opportunity

Mark your calendars now!!! **Come help glean turnips on Tuesday, Nov 8th**, (election day). We will meet in the lower Church parking lot to car pool to Riner at 9:00 AM. We should be back by 11:45-in plenty of time to still go vote. The field still has tons of turnips that if picked can be shipped to the food banks to help feed people over the winter. Come help make a difference in the hunger issue in America. Questions call Martha Kincaid.

2016 Charge Conference

The Annual Charge Conference will be held here at Central on November 14th at 6:30p. Administrative Board members are voting participants. All are welcome to attend.

Save the Date - Family Christmas Luncheon

Join us for a Sunday afternoon Family Christmas Luncheon Sunday, December 4th after worship. We'll have lunch together before enjoying a Christmas musical by our Children's Choir! You won't want to miss *Aaron, the Allergic Shepherd*. Mark your calendar, and look for more details to come.

Family Craft Night

Join us on Saturday, November 19th for a night of fun with your family as we prepare to enter the Advent season. The evening begins at 5p with a potluck dinner - bring something yummy to share! The whole family will work together to create Christmas artwork and ornaments. Please RSVP by 11/15 so that we will have enough supplies. A donation of \$10 per family is suggested to offset the cost of materials. All are welcome!

~ *As always, you can see these and other church events by visiting the calendar on our website*
www.CUMCRadford.org/church-calendar.html ~

Children & Youth

F5 & U-Nite

November's F5 & U-Nite events will be held on Sunday, November 13th. Drop of your K-5 child in the Fellowship Hall at 4:15p for F5 small groups. A fellowship dinner for everyone begins at 5:30p. Dinner is followed by our monthly U-Nite service at 6p. Worship will be led by our youth praise band, and a member of our Youth Leadership team will preach.

Rez Kidz

Mark your calendars and begin planning for this year's trip to Rezkidz. This family worship event will be held in Sevierville Tennessee, January 14-15th. If your family is interested in attending this event, please e-mail Wendy@cumcradford.org

OPERATING BUDGET

	10/23/16	10/30/16
Needed YTD	\$418,076	\$427,799
Received YTD	\$399,647	\$406,183
Building Fund	\$390	\$529
Designated Gifts	\$745	\$430
Received Sunday	\$5,651	\$6,536

ATTENDANCE

	10/23/16	10/30/16
Morning Worship	91	71
Sunday School	120	120
Traditional Worship	120	150
Fall Fellowship Event	-	88
Total Worship	212	309

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Nursery, Sunday November 6

Lisa & Emily Dignan
 Andrew & Rachel Waff, Linda Lawson

Nursery, Sunday November 13

Darrell & Janie Fisher
 Terri & Logan Shelor, Amy Shrewsbury

Meet and Greet, Sunday November 6

Choir

Meet and Greet, Sunday November 13

Pathfinders

PRAYER REQUESTS

April Salvant	Johnny Crews
Pat Yanhko	van Kamp
Billy & Janet Angell	Graham & Jennie
Nancy Narraway	Simmerman
Kathleen Ratcliffe	Alec Ecobichon
T.G. Gearheart	
DeHart Family	

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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

Giving Thanks

On Oct 22 & 23, a team of 17 from Central went to Marion to cut wood for Project Crossroads. We split and stacked wood that had been cut, as well as cut, hauled and dumped 7 dump trailers and 10 pick up loads that had been previously logged. The wood will be distributed by Project Crossroads over the winter to those in need throughout far Southwest Virginia. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and service. Thank you for your prayers while we were there. And a BIG thank you to Mandy Freedom, Nora Vinion, Cheryl Tilley and Marcy Harless for the delicious goodies they sent with us!

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Dear Pete Langley, Mark King, Bill Lacey, Pastor Don and Mike Doherty,

On behalf of Central Preschool Board, teachers, children, and parents, we'd like to give a big thank you for those that shared their time, energy and efforts to build our new playground equipment. We are so thankful for you and all the work you provided to make our playground awesome! We love it!

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We would like to thank the Inasmuch team of Blaine Sutphin, Richard Oliver and Bill Vinion for painting our house. It looks great. We appreciate it so much. It was a very hot day but no one complained.

Thanks, John & Thelma Shelor

Notable Notes

CFAA Night of Culture

Join us as we celebrate the arts! Stop by on Thursday, November 17th at 7:30p to enjoy a gallery of art by our talented art students while listening to the lovely music of our students and staff. Let's celebrate the arts in our community by giving to the community. Please bring canned goods or non-perishable items which will be donated to CUMC Food Pantry.

Operation Christmas Child

It's time to start packing your Operation Christmas Child boxes! As you start collecting items for your shoebox, don't forget to pray for the child who will receive it. For many children it will be the only new toys they ever receive. But the main message is that they will also receive an introduction to God's love and the saving power of Jesus Christ. Labels and flyers with ideas of what to include can be found on the table outside the sanctuary. Finished boxes will be due by **Sunday, December 4th**. Don't forget to include the \$7 for shipping costs!

Trip to OCC Processing Center

In addition to packing shoeboxes, Central will send a team to help work in the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Boone, NC on **Tuesday, December 6th**. If you would like to go with us to help ready the Christmas Shoeboxes for their trip around the world to share the love of Jesus, please contact Marcy Harless or Martha Kincaid. More details to follow.