

Central United Methodist Church Happenings

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011
 Worship Services (Sanctuary).....7:45am & 10:45am
 Women's Day Patrons & Ads (Narthex).....After 7:45am & 10:45am
 Breakfast (Fellowship Hall).....9:00am
 Sunday School (Scheduled Rooms).....9:30am
 Children's Church (Room 211-213).....10:45am
 Gammon Seminary Special Offering (September 18, 2011).....7:45am 10:45am
 Children's Ministry Grandparents' Dinner After Services Today (Fellowship Hall)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011
 Adult Liturgical Dance Ministry (Sanctuary).....6:30pm
 Food Addicts Anonymous (Room 211-213).....7:00pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011
 Men's Bible Study (Room 214-215).....5:30pm
 Committee On Nominations and Leadership (Conference Room 1).....6:30pm
 **SISTERS Bible Study (Conference Room 2).....6:30pm
 Reverend B. Thomas, Revival at Flat Shoals UMC.....7:00pm
 Journey Through the Bible Study (Room 211-213).....7:00pm
 Women's Day Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary).....7:00pm
 Men's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011
 N.B.B.A. (Not By Bread Alone) Bible Study (Fellowship Hall).....12:00pm
 Central UMC Food Pantry (ROSA Building).....1:00pm
 **Bridging the Gap Meeting (205-207 & 220/Computer Lab).....6:00pm
 Prayer Service (Sanctuary).....6:30pm
 Wednesday Night Dinner (Fellowship Hall).....5:30pm

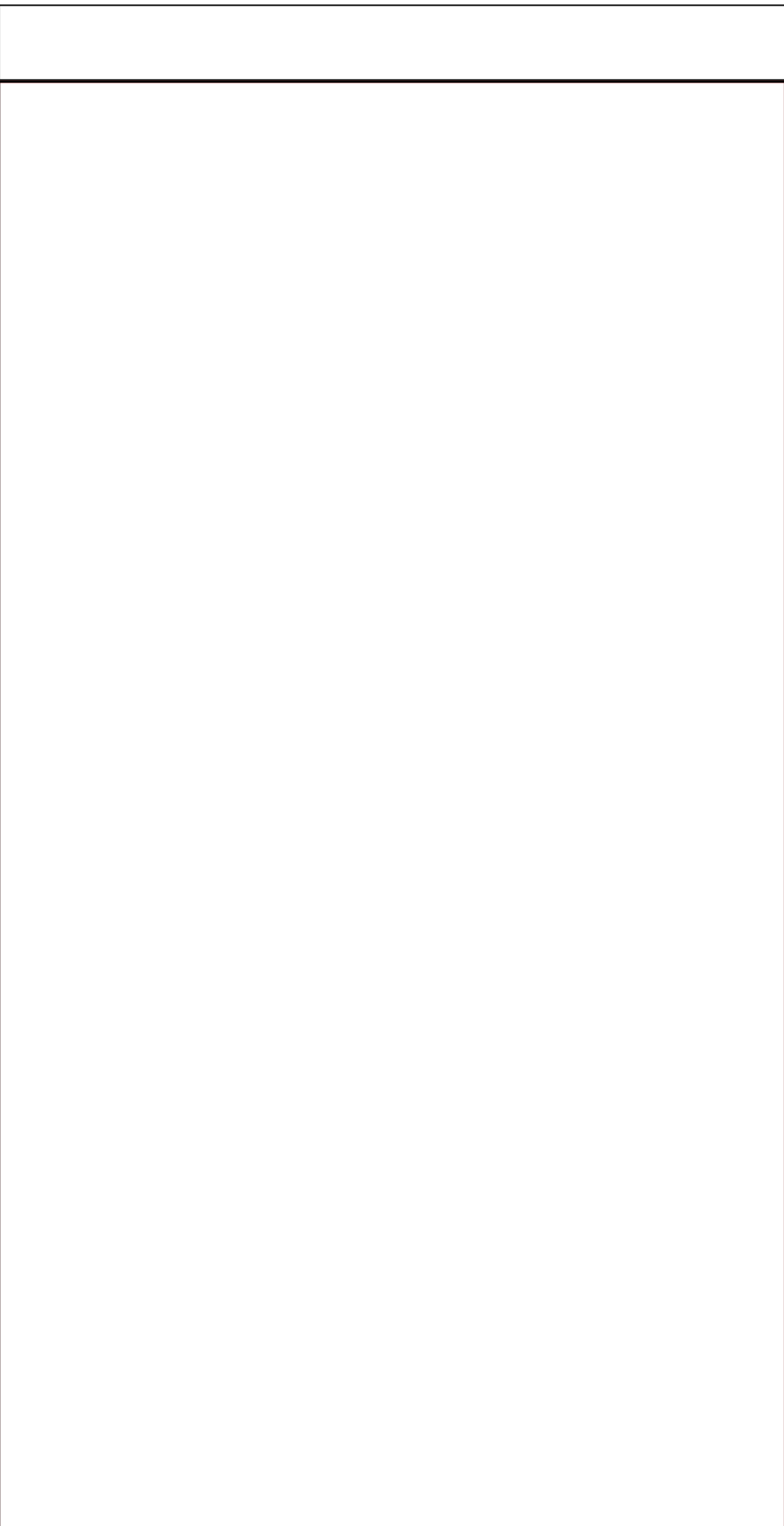
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011
 ICM Board Meeting (Kitchen/Fellowship Hall).....5:00pm
 Cathedral Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....6:30pm
 United Voices Choir Rehearsal (TBA).....7:30pm

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011
 Children's Dance Ministry (Sanctuary).....5:45pm
 Inspirational Cherub Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....7:00pm
 Youth Liturgical Dance Ministry (Room 211-213).....7:00pm

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011
ACPK District Lay Speaking Training (Room 211, 215, 217).....8:00am
 **Bridging the Gap Meeting (205-207 & 220/Computer Lab).....10:00am
 United Voices Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....10:30am


SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011
 Worship Services (Sanctuary).....7:45am & 10:45am
 Women's Day Patrons & Ads (Narthex).....After 7:45am & 10:45am
 Gammon Seminary Special Offering Today.....7:45am 10:45am
 Breakfast (Fellowship Hall).....9:00am
 Sunday School (Scheduled Rooms).....9:30am
 Children's Church (Room 211-213).....10:45am
 Atlanta Falcons vs Philadelphia Eagles (GA Dome).....8:00pm

OUR ATTENDANCE	September 4, 2011		REMINDER Young children (<i>under the age of 12</i>) leaving the Sanctuary during worship services should be accompanied by a parent or another responsible person. Thank you for your cooperation. <i>Trustees & Children's Ministry</i>
	7:45 AM	144	
	10:45 AM	160	
	Total	304	



CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"A Disciple-Making Congregation"

September 11, 2011
7:45 AM



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Central UMC Remembers 9/11

Mission Statement
"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

Bishop B. Michael Watson, Resident Bishop
 Rev. Coy Hinton, District Superintendent
 Rev. Byron E. Thomas, Senior Pastor

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**September 11, 2011
7:45 AM**

3rd SUNDAY OF KINGDOMTIDE COLOR: GREEN
LITURGIST Minister Natasha Brown

THE GATHERING

THE CHIMES *(Worshippers, please be seated in silence.)*
THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES THE ACOLYTES
Shamar Howard, Jordan McKinley, Tariq Murphy

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

◆PROCESSIONAL HYMN **“We’ve Come This Far By Faith”** (See Insert)
THE INVOCATION
◆PSALTER **Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21** UMH #135
◆THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881
◆THE GLORIA PATRI
◆◆

WELCOME OF GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
(All worship guests and members are asked to sign the Fellowship Register.)

THE PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC United Voices Choir
◆◆
THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS Rev. George Davis

The Old Testament	The Gospel	The Epistle
Exodus 14:19-31	Matthew 18:21-35	Romans 14:1-12

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THE HYMN OF PRAYER **“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”** #301
THE ALTAR CALL & MORNING PRAYER Minister Orrin Cowley
◆◆
THE PRAYER RESPONSE **“My Tribute”** #99
THE SELECTION OF PREPARATION United Voices Choir
THE SERMON **Matthew 18:21-35** Reverend Byron E. Thomas

◆THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE HYMN OF INVITATION

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

**The larger offering plate is for the General Fund. *The smaller offering plate is for the Benevolence Fund.*

THE SENDING FORTH

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

THE BENEDICTION

◆Please Stand As You Are Able ◆◆ Worshippers May Enter
Permission for the use of music selection granted through CCLI License #1008615

The Six Marks of Discipleship

At Central United Methodist Church, we seek to practice the *Six Marks of Discipleship*, which reflect how we live out our faith in Jesus Christ in six areas of life. **To the glory of God, we believe we are called to...**

- **Pray daily** – be in conversation with God and listen to God through daily prayer.
- **Worship weekly** - attend worship to praise and adore God with other believers.
- **Read the Bible daily** - spend time in the Bible and devotional books seeking to better know Christ and what God has to say for our lives.
- **Serve at and beyond Central UMC**– by using the gifts God has given each of us, we set out to share our abilities and gifts for the sake of others.
- **Develop spiritual friendships** – encourage others in the faith. Share life’s journey with others. Share how God is moving in our lives and in the world.
- **Give of our time, talents and resources**- share generously what God has so freely and wonderfully given to us. We are encouraged to tithe 10% of our income or more. The *Six Marks of Discipleship* serve as a check list concerning how one’s faith practice is progressing.

Women’s Day Ads and Patrons

Central members, Sunday, September 11, 2011 is the deadline for all ads and patrons to be included in the Women’s Day program. Members can continue to bless the Women’s Day service with a contribution until the end of September by designating your contribution for **“Women’s Day”** on the **“other”** line of the regular church offering envelope. All women are also invited to wear shades of lavender/purple and silver and to purchase a corsage for that day. The corsages are \$5.00 and your money should be given to Mrs. Joyce Jones, Mrs. Joi Thrash, or Ms. Monica Prothro. We are planning a great worship service and look forward to participation from all Central members. For additional information contact **Dr. Anita O’Neal or Ms. Cheryl Moses.**

Wednesday Night FEED Ministry

It’s that time again. The **FEED Ministry** begins on **Wednesday, September 14, 2011** for **WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE**. We are looking forward to an exciting year with awesome classes, delicious meals and an exciting Bible study. **Dinner will be served from 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm.** You may put in your dinner order now with L’Erin Barnes Freeman or Edith Hollis. **After dinner, remain for Pastor’s Bible Study beginning on September 21st at 7:30 pm.** For more information on Wednesday’s class offerings and ministry meetings, see the Sunday bulletin or church calendar online. If you miss FEED’s Wednesday Night Live, you will be missing an opportunity to be blessed! **From L’Erin F. Barnes**

Lectionary Readings For Next Sunday, September 18, 2011

PSALTER	Psalm 105:1-11	UMH #828
The Old Testament	The Gospel	The Epistle
Exodus 16:2-15	Matthew 20:1-16	Philemon 1:21-30

Flat Shoals UMC cordially invites Central UMC to attend its revival on **Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 7:00pm**
2400 Flat Shoals Road
Decatur, GA 30032
(404) 243-9547
Reverend Byron E. Thomas is the Revival Preacher

Save-the-Date for a very spiritually uplifting Advent Revival on December 1, 2, 3, 2011 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) at 7:00 pm.

SPRC Listening Sessions Today, Sunday, September 11, 2011

The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is hosting listening sessions **today** in the **ROSA Building Conference Room** immediately following the 7:45am & 10:45am worship services. Please stop by to share your thoughts on how SPRC might continue to help improve pastoral and staff leadership to the church and community. **From the SPRC Committee**

Thank you to Rev. Thomas and those who supported **Central’s Night at the High Museum**. Over 100 individuals took part in the event throughout the evening. **Over \$600 was raised to help support Central’s ministries.** A very special “thank you” goes out to Vincente Scott, Wilhmenia Bailey, John Southall, Antonio Harrell, Doris Buster-Birch, and the Centralites who shared their talents and the spirit of evangelism during the evening: John Southall (solo), Lauren Scott (guitar and solo), Sam Bailey (poem recitation), and Central’s Adult Liturgical Dancers. **From Dr. Ashleigh May**

**Wednesday, September 14, 2011
FEED Ministry Menu**

Beef or Turkey Burgers w/sautéed onions and mushrooms
Condiments
Roasted Potatoes
Salad
Dessert
Beverage

“Come to dinner and stay for Bible study”

COST: \$6.00 for adults; \$4.00 for children under the age of twelve.

Membership Orientation Sessions

The Membership Committee will conduct membership orientation sessions in **Room 211-213 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.**

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2011, Session 1- History and Structure of the United Methodist Church and History of Central United Methodist Church
Thursday, Sept. 22, Session 2- Faith Sharing and Stewardship
Wednesday, Sept. 28, Session 3- Read the Bible Daily and Spiritual Friendship
Wednesday, Oct. 5, Session 4- Prayer, Worship and Spiritual Gift Inventory
Wednesday, Oct. 12, Session 5- Service and Giving.
RSVP to membership@centralumcatl.org or call the church office ASAP @ 404-524-4263.