

# Central United Methodist Church Happenings

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2011**  
 Worship Services (Sanctuary).....7:45am & 10:45am  
 Breakfast (Fellowship Hall).....9:00am  
 Sunday School (Scheduled Rooms).....9:30am  
 North Georgia Conference U M Children's Home Offering.....October 16, 2011  
 Children's Church (Room 211-213).....10:45am  
**Atlanta Falcons vs Green Bay Packers (Georgia Dome).....8:00pm**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011**  
 Adult Liturgical Dance Ministry (Sanctuary).....6:30pm  
 Food Addicts Anonymous (Room 211-213).....7:00pm

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 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  
 Journey Through the Bible (Room 211-213).....7:00pm  
 Men's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....7:00pm

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2011**  
 Central UMC Food Pantry (ROSA Building).....1:00pm  
 N.B.B.A. (Not By Bread Alone) Bible Study (Fellowship Hall).....12:00pm  
 Wednesday Night Dinner (Fellowship Hall).....5:45pm  
 Membership Orientation (Room 211-213).....6:00pm  
 \*\*Bridging the Gap Meeting (205-207 & 220/Computer Lab).....6:00pm  
 Prayer Service (Sanctuary).....6:30pm  
 Pastor's Bible Study (Sanctuary).....7:30pm

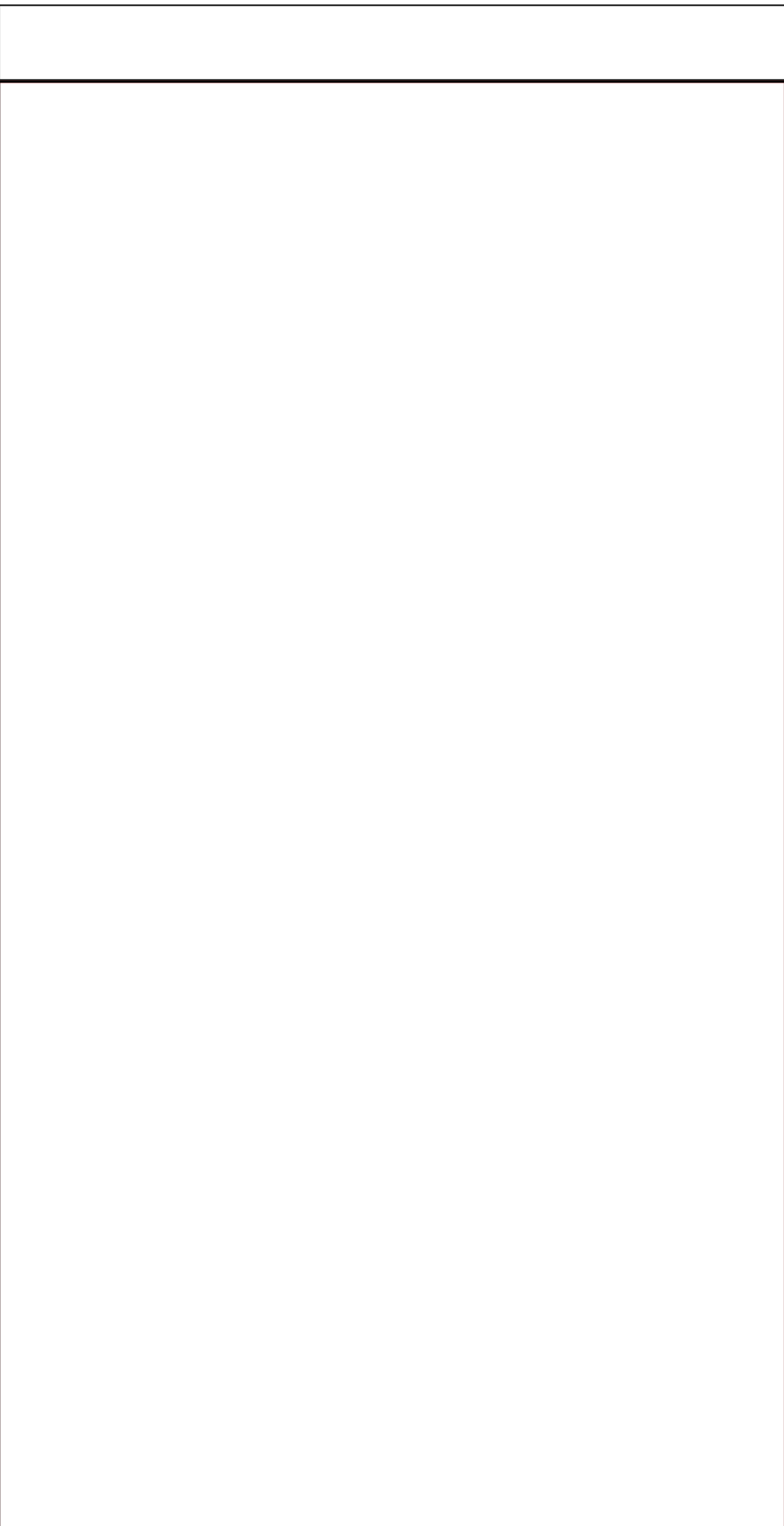
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2011**  
 Cathedral Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....6:30pm  
 S. P. R. C. Meeting (Conference Room 1).....6:30pm  
 Advent Revival Planning Committee (Room 211-213).....6:30pm

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2011**  
 Children's Dance Ministry (Sanctuary).....5:45pm  
 Prayer and Praise Service (Sanctuary).....7:00pm  
 Inspirational Cherub Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....7:00pm  
 Youth Liturgical Dance Ministry (Room 211-213).....7:00pm

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2011**  
**Central ELC Starbucks Day of Service and Family Fun Day.....8:00am**  
 Worship Arts Meeting (Room 211-213).....9:00am  
 \*\*Bridging the Gap Meeting (205-207 & 220/Computer Lab).....10:00am  
 United Voices Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room).....10:30am

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2011**  
**Laity Sunday Worship Services (Sanctuary).....7:45am & 10:45am**  
 North Georgia Conference U M Children's Home Offering.....7:45am & 10:45am  
 Breakfast (Fellowship Hall).....9:00am  
 Sunday School (Scheduled Rooms).....9:30am  
 Children's Church (Room 211-213).....10:45am

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| OUR ATTENDANCE | <b>October 2, 2011</b> |     | <b>REMINDER</b><br>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 &amp; Children's Ministry</i> |
|                | 7:45 AM                | 132 |   |
|                | 10:45 AM               | 204 |   |
|                | Total                  | 336 |   |



## CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*"A Disciple-Making Congregation"*



**October 9, 2011**  
**7:45 AM**

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**The Parable of the Wedding Feast**

### *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

**October 9, 2011  
7:45 AM**

7th 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  
Jae Butts, Jordan McKinley, Tariq Murphy

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

◆PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Blessed Assurance" #369

THE INVOCATION

◆PSALTER Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 UMH #829-830

◆THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881

◆THE GLORIA PATRI

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### 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

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THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS Minister Natasha Brown

|                          |                   |                    |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| <b>The Old Testament</b> | <b>The Gospel</b> | <b>The Epistle</b> |
| Exodus 32:1-14           | Matthew 22:1-14   | Philippians 4:1-9  |

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THE HYMN OF PRAYER "I Love You (Lord Today)"

THE ALTAR CALL & MORNING PRAYER Rev. George Davis

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THE PRAYER RESPONSE "Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

THE SELECTION OF PREPARATION United Voices Choir

THE SERMON 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...**

- |               |                        |                    |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| †Daily Prayer | †Weekly Worship        | †Daily Bible Study |
| †Service      | †Spiritual Friendships | †Giving            |

The *Six Marks of Discipleship* serve as a check list concerning how one's faith practice is progressing.

### Church Council Meeting

A Church Council meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, October 29, 2011 at 10:00 am in Room 211-213** to coordinate several planned and proposed major ministry events. We have some decisions to make about which ministry work areas and people will lead which events, the use of space, and cooperation among various committees. Please make sure that your work area or committee is represented on Oct. 29th.  
*From Vincente Scott*

### Annual Wesley Walk for Others

Did you know that every weekday, dozens of senior citizens gather at **Bethlehem Senior Center** for fellowship, a hot meal, recreational activities and help with social services? Also, did you know that this year, the center's program called **Project Extend** completed home repairs for **165 low-income seniors**? You can help keep this ministry going by participating in the **29th Annual Wesley Walk for Others** on **Saturday, October 22, 2011**. Contact **Jackie Sykes**, Walk Coordinator for more information.

### Women's Day Message of Appreciation

The Women's Day Planning Team thanks everyone for your support of our Women's Day Celebration. God has blessed us with a wonderful congregation of God-fearing people who care about the ministries of our church. Not only did we share in spirit-filled worship, but your generous gifts allowed us to exceed our Women's Day goal. **We are pleased to announce that the celebration culminated with a financial blessing of \$21,800 dollars for Women's Day.** We know that God will enable us to make an impact on transforming lives within our community. None of what we accomplished could have been done without the support of all of you.  
*From Anita J. O'Neal and Cheryl D. Moses, Chairs*

### 11th Annual Interfaith Children's Movement Prayer Breakfast

The **11th Annual ICM "Call to Action" Prayer Breakfast** will be held **October 26, 2011, from 7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.**, at **The Temple, 1589 Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta**. The keynote speaker will be **Bryan Stevenson**, Executive Director of the Equal Justice Initiative. For more information and to register, please contact **Pamela Carn**.

### Lectionary Readings For Next Sunday, October 16, 2011

|                          |                   |                        |
|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| <b>PSALTER</b>           | Psalm 99          | UMH #819-820           |
| <b>The Old Testament</b> | <b>The Gospel</b> | <b>The Epistle</b>     |
| Exodus 33:12-23          | Matthew 22:15-22  | I Thessalonians 1:1-10 |



### Pastor's Appreciation For The Reverend Byron E. Thomas

The Central United Methodist Church family is invited to join the Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) in showing appreciation for our senior pastor **TODAY, Sunday, October 9, 2011** after the 7:45am and 10:45am worship services. You may greet the pastor and bring tokens of appreciation to the reception after each worship service.

Please join Aurelius and L'Erin Freeman in the baptism of their daughter, **Ariah Jean-Marie**, on **Sunday, October 16, 2011** at the 10:45 am service.

### Friday Night Prayer & Praise Service

Please join us on **Friday, October 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary for a "joyous time" of prayer, praise and testimony!

*From the Prayer Ministry*

### CALLING ALL MEN OF CENTRAL!!!

The men of Central are preparing for **MEN'S DAY CELEBRATION** on **Sunday, October 23, 2011** during the 7:45 am and 10:45 am worship services.

Please join us in filling the choir stand as we help Central's UMM celebrate Men's Day. If you've ever sung in the past, plan to sing in the future, or just want to "Praise God" through song with other Christian men, then join us! Our rehearsal schedule is as follows:

**Tuesday, Oct. 11th, 7:30pm**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 18th, 7:30pm**

You will be notified of any changes.

*Thank you from James Thomas, President, Bob Rowe, Vice President*

### Wednesday, October 12, 2011 FEED Ministry Menu 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm

Lemon Chicken Drumettes  
Salmon & Rice Salad w/Fruit  
Black Beans & Corn Salsa w/ Chips  
Carrot & Celery Sticks  
Dessert Beverage

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

Prayer Service at 6:30 pm (Sanctuary)

Pastor's Bible Study at 7:30 pm

### Health and Welfare Ministry

Save the date! 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Diabetes University, **Saturday, November 12, 2011**. Online registration & brochures will be available **September 30, 2011**.  
[www.diabetesatlanta.org](http://www.diabetesatlanta.org)

**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.** Learn how to take action. Visit the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence website, [www.ncadv.org](http://www.ncadv.org).

The Inaugural Service for **The Reverend Dr. Albert Mosley** will take place on **Tuesday, October 18, 10:00 a. m., at Cascade UMC**. There will be a number of college presidents, bishops, general secretaries, and other dignitaries of the United Methodist Church present at this service. We are extending a very special invitation to all of our lay persons from the churches to attend this very special service. Also, all clergy are invited to participate in the grand processional and to wear black robes with either an academic hood or red stole.