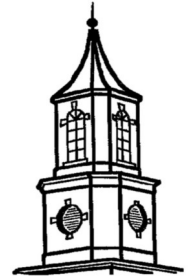


CANTON CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CENTRAL TO LIFE



MAY 2017

UP THE HILL NEWS

Operation Down the Hill, May 21



On Sunday morning, May 21, our entire congregation will worship outside the walls of our church building as part of our third annual Operation Down the Hill! We will meet at 9 am in the sanctuary for a brief service and then break into over a dozen service teams for all ages and abilities. Then at noon, everyone is invited to meet back at the fellowship hall for lunch. Sign up for T-shirts and a service team on Sunday mornings.

Family Fishing, June 10

John Dobbins has organized a Central Family Fishing Day for children, youth, and their families on June 10, 9 am-1 pm at Brandon Crawford's pond off Johnson Drive in Canton. At least one adult per family should attend. Bring your own rod & bait or we will furnish them if needed. A hot dog lunch with chips and water or juice boxes will be provided. Sign up on the Opportunity Form this month. Details will be emailed to those who sign up.

Graduate Recognition, June 4

Please notify us of any Central member or regular attender who will graduate from pre-school, high school, college, graduate school or complete a certificate program this school year or graduated since last year's recognition (Summer 2016—Spring 2017). We would rather receive duplicates of names than leave anyone out! Please email Allison the following at allisonspruill@hotmail.com: For pre-schoolers, share where they'll attend kindergarten; for high school, please share plans for the future (college, work, training programs, etc.); for college, graduate school and training programs, please share the school name and degree/certificate earned along with plans.

May Youth News, Grades 6-12

Confirmants: Check your Schedule

May 7 - Community Kitchen - Maggie, Zach, Gracie & Patrick arrive at 3 pm with a parent. Other youth arrive at 4. Pick up at 7 pm.

May 14 - No Youth, Mother's Day

May 21 - Operation Down the Hill!

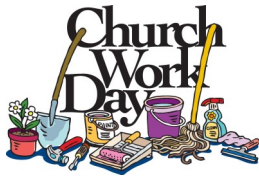
Special meeting at 3:00 pm for Summer Mission Trip Prep with CCC Staff Laura Brown, followed by supper and worship at Haywood Street! All CCC summer participants should plan to attend this training!

APRIL BY THE NUMBERS

Average Worship Attendance: 153

Giving to Budget: \$107,424.00

DOWN THE HILL NEWS



Church Workday, May 6

Pit in on our church workday on Saturday, May 6, from 9 am - Noon. There are several odd jobs around the building that need to be done!



Backpacks for Canton Middle School, May 18

It's our turn to pack CMS Backpacks on Thursday, May 18. Meet at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall.



Stop Hunger Now Meal Packing, May 20

We will pack meals for Stop Hunger Now with the Missional Network at Plains UMC on Saturday, May 20. Set up begins at 12:30 pm with a start time of 2:00 pm. Sign up on the Opportunity Form this Sunday, May 7!



Summer Meals for Haywood County Children & Youth

Help greet families one day a week during the Summer Meals program at either North Canton Elementary June 12 - August 11, 11 AM—Noon on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays; or at Meadowbrook Elementary June 14 - August 11, Noon—1 PM, Mondays, Tuesdays, or Fridays.

EOG Proctors
Needed!



Proctor for End of Year Testing at Canton Middle School

Proctors are needed for End of Year testing at Canton Middle School on May 25 and/or May 26. Proctors report to the Media Center at 7:30 am for a breakfast & training and should finish before 1 pm. Proctors must be on their feet and circulating in the classroom during the testing period.

LEADERSHIP TEAM UPDATE

Thanks to the generosity of the congregation, our giving continues to run ahead of expenses. We have repaired the organ, purchased new defibrillators, installed a new fire alarm system, and paid our first quarter apportionments. Going forward, the team will be looking into the church's investment options as well as a quote for new technology in the sanctuary. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 23, at 6 pm. The team will continue reading SHIFT by Phil Maynard and will discuss chapter 2 on worship.

WEDNESDAY WOW MENU

- May 3: Taco Salads with all the fixins
- May 10: Grilled Chicken Tips, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls
- May 17 Hamburgers and Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad/Potato Chips
- May 24 Chicken Alfredo, Salad, Breadstix

*A catered meal is served 5:15-5:45 pm.
You can reserve it on the Opportunity Form or by calling Debbie in the office by noon Tuesday.*