



# THE CENTRAL CONNECTION

Summer 2017



The temperature is rising, the flowers are out and we think that we won't have to switch the church climate controls back to heating again until the fall. This morning I asked Madeline if she was excited to be in her last week of school. She said she was but she was also sad because she'd miss her friends. We can often miss out on the connections we garner through the year as we go into "summer mode".

Many of us have summer plans. We will go on vacations and travel and see family over the summer. But don't forget there's still plenty going on at Central through the summer. June 4<sup>th</sup> will be our outdoor Pentecost service where we will add new members, confirm our students and have a baptism.

In addition to our outdoor worship experiences over the summer, we still need help with Vacation Bible School June 26-29<sup>th</sup>. We could use more hands on deck as we welcome the children of our neighborhood in.

July 24<sup>th</sup> we will have an outdoor bluegrass music event with an ice cream social under the pavilion from 5:30-7:30. This will be an event that will offer fellowship to ourselves and our neighbors. It's a new venture for us and we hope that you will be a part of it.

Don't forget we will shift to our summer worship schedule starting June 11<sup>th</sup> with our second service starting at 11:00 AM. Enjoy your summer. Have fun. Continue to make God and worship part of your enjoyment of summer.

*Pastor Cliff*



## Lunch Bunch - June 6

Join us at 11:30 on Tuesday, June 6, for lunch with fellow members and friends of Central Church. Following lunch, Jack Lightcap will present "*The Star Spangled Banner; The Story of Our Flag*". Come hear the story of "Old Glory", in recognition of Flag Day, June 14<sup>th</sup>.



Happy Summer!

Happy sunshine! Happy warm weather! Happy humidity! WHAT? Those of you who thrive on the hot, humid days please have pity on those of us that wilt when the temperatures get above 60 and the humidity is higher than 35%. Despite these adverse conditions called 'summer in Ohio', I'm looking forward to some exciting musical happenings at Central Presbyterian Church.

The Monday Music series continues with two exciting and varied events:

**Monday, June 12, at 1:00 PM** - Tom will thrill us with his cello and organ playing. Leslie will be strumming along on her harp for sections of the program.

**Monday, July 24, at 5:30 PM** - in the pavilion we'll have a bluegrass band with FREE ice cream to encourage our neighbors to enjoy our wonderful people and beautiful facilities. Bring a friend and a lawn chair!

We have an exciting array of music scheduled for the 9:30 services this summer. Dates are still being firmed up (in other words, this schedule might be a bit of a surprise for some folks and could be subject to change), but you'll not want to miss any of Cliff's creative sermons and the special music that will be presented. Mary Sparks with her violin, Rod and Jacqueline Bluhm, the Men's Choir, and more are in the works for special summer music.

Just a couple of extra special services:

**Sunday, June 25, will be 'Spirituals Sunday'** featuring many of our favorite spirituals with the stories behind those songs. You'll be enlightened and inspired when you hear these great songs and understand how they were used. This will be a single service at **9:30 AM**. We invite all to stay after and help us set up for Vacation Bible School, which is June 26-29.

**Sunday, August 27**, we have hopes of the children presenting a play about Noah. We may be asking for loaner umbrellas and a canoe.

**June 4** - Outdoor service at 11:00 with the choir singing one last time for Pentecost before taking a well-earned summer break. Harp accompaniment.

**June 11** - Mary Sparks playing her violin.

**June 18** - Paula Reams singing "The Well" - a beautiful tribute.

**June 25** - SPIRITUALS SUNDAY - a single service at 9:30 AM filled with spirituals and their stories

*Continued on Page 3*

*Music News - continued from Page 2*

**July 2** - 9:30 outdoor service featuring Laurel and Courtney Hemmelgarn.

**July 9** - Bill Awsumb providing vocal and guitar stylings.

**July 16** - Tom will provide the music.

**July 23** - Bells! Rehearsal times to be set.

**July 30** - Ladies Choir - open to ALL ladies. Join the ladies section from the choir and lift your voice to the Lord! Your commitment would be: 2 Wednesdays (July 19 & 26 from 7:00-8:00 PM) and Sunday morning July 30 at 9:00 to run through before the 9:30 service.

**August 6** - 9:30 outdoor service with Pastor Cliff and Madeline

**August 13** - Rod and Jacqueline Bluhm

**August 20** - Men's Choir - open to ALL men. Come join the wonderful singers already in the choir and fill up the choir loft with just GUYS. Your commitment would be: 2 Wednesdays (August 9 & 16 from 7:00-8:00 PM) and Sunday morning August 20 at 9:00 to run through before the 9:30 service.

**August 27** - Kid's play about Noah

**September 3** - Bob Westfall singing as only he can do!

**September 10** - 11:00 outdoor service with music provided by our wonderful Central Message praise band. The band, by the way, will be providing their stylish music for the 11:00 service throughout the summer months.

As mentioned earlier, this schedule is subject to change. The weekly bulletin will have the most up-to-date schedule, with the following Sunday's special music listed. A reminder that if you miss a Sunday, you can view the bulletin on our website, [www.centralpreschurch.com](http://www.centralpreschurch.com). Simply click on the "Media" tab at the top of the home page and then click on "Weekly Bulletin".

While you enjoy the warm days, just remember that I'm dreaming of snow, but enjoying all the music and Pastor Cliff's enlightening words of wisdom in the meantime.

Blessings to you!

Leslie





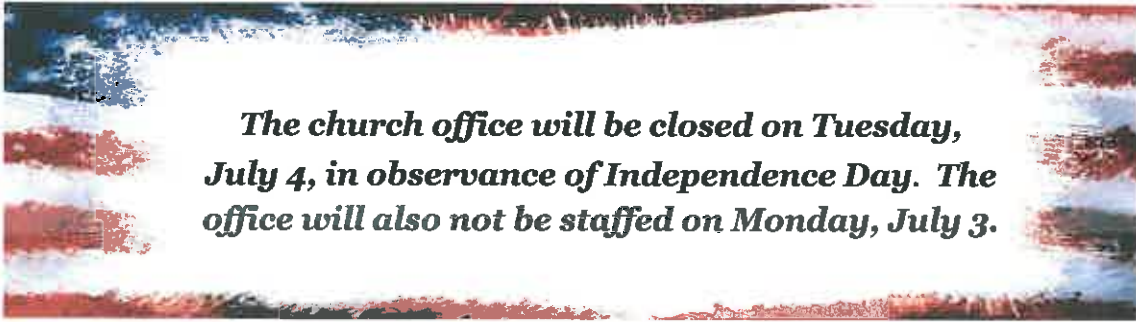
The church office will again this year have reduced hours from June 1 - August 31. Karen will be in the office as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 AM to Noon



Get your Dayton Dragons tickets soon...they go fast! Please see or call Barb Webner to reserve your tickets for the Saturday, July 1, game. Game time is 7:00 PM. We have 30 tickets to sell at \$15 each. The price includes a Dragons hat, \$5 concession stand coupon, a private raffle and Central's name displayed on the scoreboard/announced over the PA system.



*The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. The office will also not be staffed on Monday, July 3.*



June 11 - **Jim Troxell**, from the Troxell Family

June 18 - **Diane Dutton**, in honor of my six grandchildren

June 25 - **Nancy Watson**, in remembrance of Homer on the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of his passing, June 26

July 16 - **Nancy Watson**, in remembrance of my son, Stephen Watson

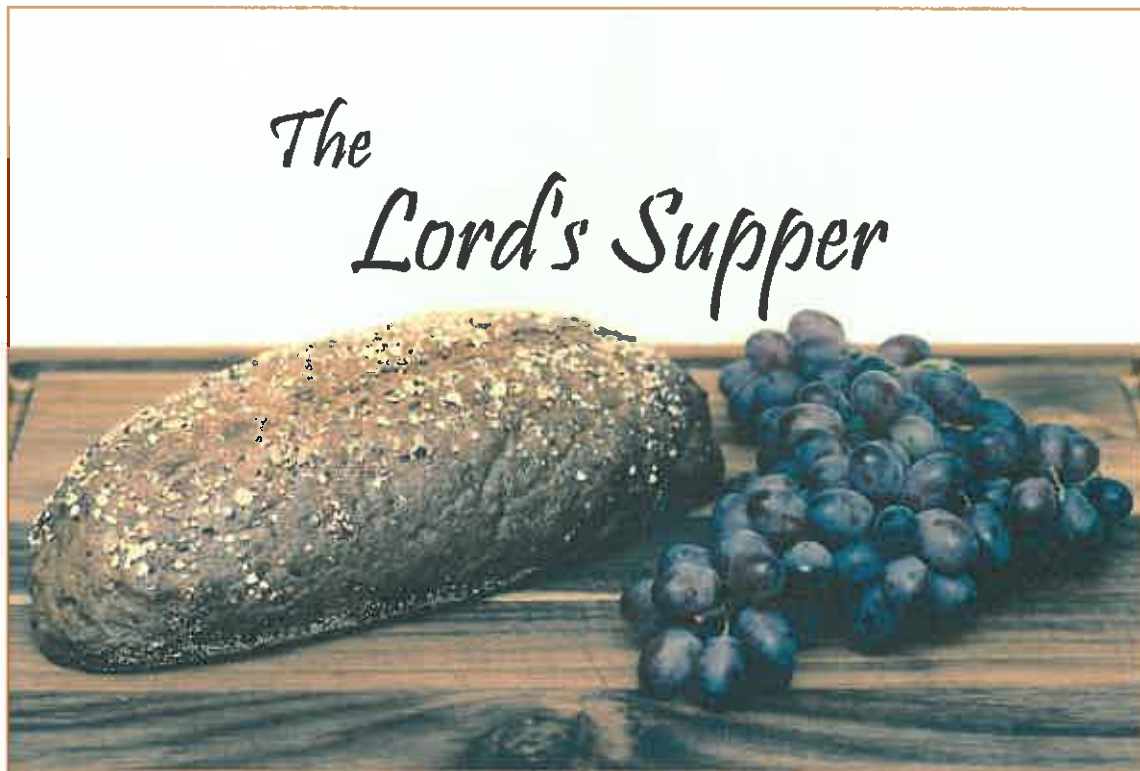
August 6 - **Florence Corey**, in remembrance of Bob on his birthday, August 5

The following dates are open if you would like to make a floral donation for our 9:30 service:

June 4; July 2, 9, 23 & 30; August 13, 20 & 27; September 24; October 15, 22 & 29;

November 5, 12, 19 & 26; December 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31.

Each arrangement is \$30. Please contact Karen in the church office at [karen@centralpreschurch.com](mailto:karen@centralpreschurch.com) or 298-2864, extension 0, to place an order.



All ordained Elders and Deacons may serve Communion and are encouraged to do so at least once a year, if physically able to. If you would like to serve on one of the dates below that need servers, please contact Karen in the church office at [karen@centralpreschurch.com](mailto:karen@centralpreschurch.com) or 298-2864, ext. 0.

July 16 – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1 – World Communion Sunday

November 26 – Christ the King Sunday

December 24 – Christmas Eve (morning worship services)

December 24 – Christmas Eve (evening worship service)

Six servers are needed for 9:30 worship during choir season; five servers during the summer. Two servers are always needed for our praise service.



### June

1 - Haley Espelage 5 - Rick Reams 8 - Alex Reams

9 - Courtney Hemmelgarn 13 - Gloria Iselaiye 15 - Mary Sparks 16 - Ruth Craig

17 - Diane Dutton 19 - Arline Schneider 24 - Cindy Miller 25 - Sandy Ayers, Jim Brown

### July

1 - Jim McCloud 11 - Amanda Gengler 12 - David Reams

14 - Dave Gossett 16 - Erica Reams 17 - Bill Awsumb, Mike Buker, Daniel Iselaiye

18 - Nancy Watson 21 - Jeanne Rannells 26 - Sandra Benner

### August

9 - Barb Webner 10 - Pastor Cliff 12 - Jack Lightcap 13 - Jim Troxell 15 - Pat Lucas

17 - Cecile Combs 18 - Carol Evans, Norma Lantis, Jett Sergent 19 - Marge Houston

20 - Randy Webner 21 - Joe Uphouse 23 - Tom Davis 30 - Bob Beck, Jr.

***If you have a summer birthday and are not listed above, then we do not have your birth date on file in the church office; please contact Karen to update your membership file.***

## Assisting in our Summer Worship Services

Date	9:30 Elder of the Day	9:30 Ushers	9:30 Liturgist	9:30 Sound	11:30 Elder of the Day	11:30 Hosts	11:30 Sound
June 4 <i>Outdoor Single Service at 11:00</i>	Don Henry	Linda Moorhead Arline Schneider	N/A	Joe Lucas	N/A	Steve & Marlene Gagen	Rick Reams
June 11	Tom Troxell	Susan Sundermeyer Nancy Watson	Karl Ayers	Jim Alverson	Steve Gagen	Dave Gossett	Chuck Lantis
June 18	<b>Open</b>	Merv Hardman Don Henry Chuck Lantis	Karl Ayers	Robert Beck	<b>Open</b>	Gary Neeley	<b>Open</b>
June 25 <i>Single Service at 9:30 in Sanctuary</i>	Tom Troxell	Jim Brown Ron Bundy Joe Espelage Austin Hemmelgarn	Bill Awsumb	Austin Hemmelgarn	N/A	Pat Settles	N/A
July 2 <i>Outdoor Single Service at 9:30</i>	<b>Open</b>	Linda Moorhead Arline Schneider Marcy Wilson	N/A	Joe Lucas	N/A	Steve & Marlene Gagen	Rick Reams
July 9	<b>Open</b>	Susan Sundermeyer Nancy Watson	Sheila Reynolds	Jim Alverson	Steve Gagen	Dave Gossett	Chuck Lantis
July 16	<b>Open</b>	Merv Hardman Don Henry Chuck Lantis	Sheila Reynolds	Robert Beck	Steve Gagen	Gary Neeley	<b>Open</b>
July 23	<b>Open</b>	Jim Brown Ron Bundy Joe Espelage Austin Hemmelgarn	Karl Ayers	Austin Hemmelgarn	<b>Open</b>	Pat Settles	<b>Open</b>
July 30	<b>Open</b>	Frank & Beulah Armstrong Bob & Marsha Dues	Karl Ayers	Austin Hemmelgarn	<b>Open</b>	Pat Settles	<b>Open</b>
Aug. 6 <i>Outdoor Single Service at 9:30</i>	<b>Open</b>	Linda Moorhead Arline Schneider Marcy Wilson	N/A	Joe Lucas	N/A	Steve & Marlene Gagen	Rick Reams
Aug. 13	<b>Open</b>	Susan Sundermeyer Nancy Watson	<b>Open</b>	Jim Alverson	Steve Gagen	Dave Gossett	Chuck Lantis
Aug. 20	<b>Open</b>	Merv Hardman Don Henry Chuck Lantis	<b>Open</b>	Robert Beck	<b>Open</b>	Gary Neeley	<b>Open</b>
Aug. 27	<b>Open</b>	Jim Brown Ron Bundy Joe Espelage Austin Hemmelgarn	<b>Open</b>	Austin Hemmelgarn	<b>Open</b>	Pat Settles	<b>Open</b>

*As of May 23*





# SUMMER

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 11 - September 3

Traditional Worship: 9:30 AM

Praise Worship: 11:00 AM

Special Service on June 25:

Spirituals Sunday - one service at 9:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

We invite all to stay after and help set up for VBS.

### Outdoor Worship Services

A single worship service outdoors in the Geddes Family Memorial Pavilion will take place on the following Sundays:

June 4 - 11:00 AM

*The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated and our Pentecost Picnic follows in Fellowship Hall.*

July 2 - 9:30 AM

August 6 - 9:30 AM

September 10 - 11:00 AM

*Our annual church picnic will follow worship.*

**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**4699 LAMME ROAD**

**DAYTON OH 45439-3099**

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Pastor:** Rev. Cliff Haddox (revncliffie@gmail.com)

**Clerk of Session:** Sarah Alverson

**Board of Deacons Moderator:** Susan Sundermeyer

**Director of Music:** Leslie Stratton (leslie@centralpreschurch.com)

**Organist:** Tom Guth

**Director of Christian Education:** Rev. Dr. LaKendra Hardware

(revlakendra@centralpreschurch.com)

**Childcare Provider:** Suzie Harris

**Treasurers:** Joe Espelage and Marcy Wilson

**Custodian:** Kevin Duffy

**Church Secretary / Bookkeeper:** Karen Mitchell (karen@centralpreschurch.com)

**Church Office Hours - Summer:** M, W, F - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

T & R - 9:00 AM to Noon

**Church Office:** (937) 298-2864, ext. 0

**Church Email:** cpcoffice@centralpreschurch.com

**Church Website:** www.centralpreschurch.com

**Traditional Worship:** 9:30 AM (Sanctuary)

**Praise Worship:** 11:00 AM (Fellowship Hall; June 11-September 3)

*Christian Education for all ages returns September 17 at 10:45 AM.*

**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

---

...to glorify God through



**WORSHIPING  
LOVING  
TEACHING  
MINISTERING**

that **Christ** may be made  
known...

---



The Newsletter of Central Presbyterian Church