

Prayer Concerns

Linda Miller; Millie Thompson; EJ Miller; Mike Deal; Ann Prentice; Rick Prentice; Chip; James Honeycutt; Etta Morris

Assisted Living & Nursing Home

Ruth Wooten; Ralph Holland; Susan Everhart; Ruth Elum; Betty Culp

May Birthdays

Jacob Smith	Betty Culp
Allison Bober	Mark Wooten
Michael Kiefer	Steve Miller

Serving in Worship

Head Usher for May: Mike Deal

Counters

May 11	Yvonne/Anne
May 18	Archie/Jack
May 25	David/Ann
June 1	Kelly/Devane

Children's Time

May 11	Molly Ann Birth
May 18	Brooklyn Smith
May 25	David Fries
June 1	TBA

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May 11, 2025

Central United Methodist Church

"Connecting Hearts to God's Love"

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Sunday School - 10am

Worship - 11am



WELCOME VISITORS!!!

We are delighted you have joined us as we worship God. We hope the warmth of our service, the ministry of God's Word, and the love of our people will encourage you to come again.

Please let us know who you are and if you'd like our pastor to contact you:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Order of Worship
11am Worship Service
4th Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

*Liturgical Color: White (Victory, Purity,
Righteousness)*

Prelude: Tina Grubb

The Light of Christ Enters:

Welcome and Announcements:

***Gathering for Worship:** #186 "Alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia. He's my Savior, He's my
Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior,
He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my
Savior. I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I
will praise Him, I will praise Him. I will
praise Him. I will praise Him. I will praise
Him. I will praise Him.

***Opening Prayer:**

***Hymn of Praise:** #127 "Guide me, O,
Thou Great Jehovah"

Mother's Day Prayer Adapted from Peggy
Emerson

Mothering God, we draw on the image of
you as one who nurtures, who gathers, who
protects. We celebrate today, all mothers
– both those that live lives like yours and
those who have not.

**We pray for those women who have
nurtured us as mothers and who are no
longer with us and whom we miss
dearly.**

We reflect upon those women who have
influenced our own lives in so many ways,
and we give thanks.

**We pray for the women around the
world who are working long days and
nights to raise their children right now.**

We pray for mothers who have fled
violence and difficult situations and have
been separated from their children.

**We pray for mothers living in
uncertainty and facing the unknown.**

We pray for all the women who are
expecting, but aren't quite mothers yet!
**We pray for the women who took in
others' children through adoption and
foster care. We give thanks for these
mothers with hearts so big.**

We pray for those women who have lost a
child to death and must carry on. We pray
for strength and courage for the mothers
who have faced grief and loss.

**We pray for women whose children have
grown and whom they now seldom see.**

**We pray for mothers who are at a
distance from their children.**

We pray for those mothers who, for
whatever reason, could not be nurturing
and protecting and we pray for their
children, that they may find a loving
relationship with other women around
them.

**Mothering God, we offer these prayers
to you this day. Hear our prayers, we
pray. Amen.**

Children's Time: Molly Ann Birth

Anthem: "Hymn of Promise"

Scripture: Acts 9:36-43 CEB

³⁶ In Joppa there was a disciple named
Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas). Her
life overflowed with good works and
compassionate acts on behalf of those in
need. ³⁷ About that time, though, she
became so ill that she died. After they
washed her body, they laid her in an
upstairs room. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near
Joppa, when the disciples heard that Peter
was there, they sent two people to Peter.
They urged, "Please come right
away!" ³⁹ Peter went with them. Upon his
arrival, he was taken to the upstairs room.
All the widows stood beside him, crying as
they showed the tunics and other clothing
Dorcas made when she was alive.

⁴⁰ Peter sent everyone out of the room, then
knelt and prayed. He turned to the body
and said, "Tabitha, get up!" She opened her
eyes, saw Peter, and sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her

his hand and raised her up. Then he called God’s holy people, including the widows, and presented her alive to them. ⁴² The news spread throughout Joppa, and many put their faith in the Lord. ⁴³ Peter stayed for some time in Joppa with a certain tanner named Simon.

Message: “Living a Life of Gazelle”

***Affirmation of Faith:** #885 “A Modern Affirmation”

***Sung Response** #70 “Glory be to the Father”

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the world without end. Amen. Amen.

*** Passing the Peace of Christ**

Joys & Concerns, Pastoral Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts

***Doxology** # 95

***Offertory Prayer:**

***Hymn of Dedication:** #445 “Happy the Home when God is There”

Blessing:

Postlude: Tina Grubb

**Stand in Body or Spirit*

Announcements

Port-a-Pit! This Tuesday, May 13 from 10a-1p. Tickets available!

Council meeting: This Thursday, May 15 at 6:30pm in the library.

Casual Sunday at the Hut: NEXT SUNDAY (5/18) Our 11 am service will be at the scout hut. We will then have lunch with hot dogs & hamburgers and all the fixings. Please bring a **side dish** (potato salad, macaroni salad, chips, mac n cheese, baked beans , fruit and

veg. tray etc.) or a **dessert**. We will have church service at 11, eat lunch and then have time to relax on the porch, go fishing (bring your rod), hike or play games. If you have an outdoor chair, please bring it.

FYI: Marsha will be at the church at 10:15 if anyone wants to follow her down to the lodge. Come enjoy a relaxing day.

FYI – there will be no Sunday School classes next Sunday.

UMM & UWF Meetings: May 21, 6pm.

Capital Campaign Update: The capital campaign is moving along nicely. Since January, we have collected \$31,317.00 towards our goal of \$53,000!!

Address for: Rev. Sam Lewis 1224 Edgedale Dr. Salisbury, N.C. 28144

Choir Practice: Mondays at 6pm

Bell Practice: Mondays at 7pm

Deposit for April 2025		Budget	Bldg & Maint.
4/9		2158.00	1200.00
4/13	capital campaign	1528.00	700.00 rent
4/20	capital campaign	1741.00	50.00
4/28	capital campaign	1614.00	400.00
	total	7041.00	200.00
		2550.00	
		Needed for budget: \$1665/week or \$6660/month	