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The Challenge

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

THIS SUNDAY

View our 10:00 am worship service Sunday live on our website or directly from YouTube.

**Second Sunday After Pentecost
June 7, 2026**

SERMON

Rev. Katie Faison
"Set Apart from Sinners"

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
Hebrews 7:26-28

9:00 am

Sunday School

10:00 am

Worship Service
Special Music
The Lord Almighty Reigns
The Chancel Choir

Nursery

Available for children
birth-three years

Summer Worship Schedule

*All Sundays in
June and July*

**9:00 am
Sunday School**

**10:00 am
Worship**

Please pray for these mission opportunities and for the people who will be sharing the love of Christ as they live out his command in Acts 1:8.



**CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LEADERS**

JUNE 1-4, 2026

PLEASE PRAY FOR US!

Ada Bedingfield	Mary McKoon
Jovanca Blackburn	Brenda Mitchell
Mary Martin Bowen	Dot Moody
Paige Cathey	John Moody
Molly Cawthon	Lee Nall
Teresa Clements	Susan Nall
Ken Eggleston	Ronnie Oliver
Sharon Eggleston	Ryan O'Mahoney
Allie Faison	Sara O'Mahoney
Emma Faison	Paige Paul
John Faison	Megan Prevatte
Heather Farmer	Kelsey Gordon Ross
Samantha Farmer	Coleman Ryan
Jennifer Griffin	Obed Sanchez
Leila Griffin	Jackson Shalk
William Griffin	Becca Springfield
Sunday Griffith	Lucy Springfield
Jackson Hadden	Hudson Tate
Kate Hadden	Josh Tate
Lili Haynes	Mary Trammell
Maggie Haynes	Annie Van Amberg
Ellie Herdic	Sarah Van Amberg
Clay Hudson	Marissa Van Drew
Sadie Keith	Lynn Williams
Haley Land	Mary Caroline Yancey
Henry Lee	Sarah Helen Zachary



**CBC YOUTH
Mission Trip 2026**
WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA • JUNE 6-11

SEAN ALMAND	RONNIE OLIVER
JACK AUSTIN	MATT SAPP
ABBY BARRETT	BECCA SPRINGFIELD
ANSLEY BARRETT	LUCY SPRINGFIELD
ALLIE FAISON	HUDSON TATE
JOHN FAISON	LILITH TATE
KATE HADDEN	MARY TRAMMELL
VIRGINIA JACKSON	MOLLY ZAWISLAK
MAGGIE CHASE MORRISON	NOAH ZAWISLAK

PLEASE PRAY FOR US!

Pastor's Pen

Pursuing Hospitality

On Sunday we looked at a passage from Romans chapter 12 focused on practical advice for Christian living. Paul is giving instructions about how to live faithfully in Christian community in our day-to-day lives. One of his instructions is to "pursue hospitality," so we thought about the ways we experience hospitality today—maybe at a nice hotel or a fancy restaurant or as a guest in someone's home. And we remembered that the experience of hospitality isn't about the amenities. As nice as they can be, hospitality isn't about delicious food, a fancy room, or a gorgeous view.

Hospitality is about the people; it's about the quality and character of the people hosting you and the way they make you feel. And one of the hallmarks of true hospitality is unexpected generosity. It's people who are unexpectedly generous in service, in greeting, in welcome, in mindset. True hospitality is about receiving more than you were expecting.

That's what Paul is talking about when he encourages us to pursue hospitality. We are to be characterized by unexpected generosity. When people come to church, they ought to receive more than they were expecting. And for that to be true, it can't just be about the amenities—the music, the organ, the sanctuary, the facilities. If people are to receive more than they are expecting from church, WE have to be more than they were expecting.

Church—and Christian hospitality—will always be about the quality and the character of the people, and the way we make people feel. Our goal this summer, as we serve this week at VBS and as we send missions teams to North Carolina, France, and Romania, is to be more than people were expecting.

When we take Christ with us and allow Christ to shine through us, we will be.

See you Sunday,

Matt

In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to family and friends in the death of Chester Allen, who passed away on Sunday, May 24, 2026.

Music Ministry

The choir reached another milestone in their musical journey on Sunday. Their presentation of Palestrina's "Sicut cervus" is a significant achievement, as it is one of the great masterpieces of the choral repertoire and has been sung in churches since the Renaissance. Its text, drawn from Psalm 42:1, translates, "As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God." Though the music is more than 400 years old, the truth of Scripture remains timeless. When a composer so beautifully unites text and music, the message takes on an even deeper meaning. Thank you, Choir, for your expressive and inspiring singing.

Thank you as well to Carol and Cathy for sharing their thoughtful piece on welcoming strangers. Their message reminds us of an important calling: to reach out to those we do not know, offer kindness, and walk alongside one another in life's journey. At the 8:45 am service, we were also blessed by the offertory composed by one of our Scarbrough Scholars, Sam Weis. Thank you, Sam, for using your gifts to enrich our worship. And thank you to Henry and Yen Yu for their faithful and outstanding contributions each week.

Please continue to pray for the mission opportunities highlighted on Sunday. Through your prayers, encouragement, and support, we are strengthened to be faithful stewards of God's gifts and joyful bearers of Christ's love in the world.

Gratefully,

Ronnie

Children's Ministry

Family Night
Out at the
Legacy Theater

Wednesday, July 29,
7:00 pm



Grab your family and friends and let's go to the show together!

Adult tickets: \$40
Child tickets: \$27

We hope to have a big group of CBC friends who join us on this fun summer family night adventure, so we will plan to meet at the theater. Please fill out this [form](#) to let us know how many tickets you would like.

Women's Ministry

Ladies Coffee Hour
*Resumes Thursday, June 18,
9:00 am*



Join us every first and third Thursday of the month at Leaf and Bean. No need to make a reservation; just show up and enjoy the fellowship of your peers.

Senior Adult Ministry



**Senior Adult
Breakfast at Town &
Country**

Wed., June 10, 9:00 am

Join us every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Town and Country. No need to make reservations; just show up and enjoy the fellowship of your peers!



**TN & KY Senior
Adult Trip
Sept. 2-Sept. 6**

Join our Senior Adults on a "choose your own adventure" trip in Tennessee and Ken-

tucky. We will stop one night to explore Chattanooga, TN then make our way to Bardstown, KY for a few nights. Click [here](#) to sign up and for more detailed information!

Longterm Care and Assisted Living Event

Wed., June 3, 6:30 pm

You're invited to a Long-Term Care Planning Event hosted by Bull Strategic Wealth, Westhill Newnan Crossing Assisted Living, and OneAmerica Financial.

Join us on June 3 at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary for an informative presentation on long-term care planning, assisted living options, and protecting your family's financial future.

Light refreshments will be served in the Vestibule following the presentation.

Please call or [email](#) the church office if you are interested.



Youth Ministry



**Pizza & Kickball
at First Ave. Park**

*Thursday, June 4,
12:15 pm (right after VBS)*

**Dinner & Toy
Story 5 at
Ashley Park**

*Thursday, June 25,
6:00 pm*

(dinner at 6:00 pm, movie at 7:00 pm)

*Please click [here](#) to sign up so we'll know how many tickets to purchase.

**YOUTH GROUP
MOVIE NIGHT**



**Pool Party
(TBA)**

Thursday, July 23

*details forthcoming

Missions

**Top 2 Toe
Program**

This year our VBS offering will go towards sponsoring children through Bridging the Gap's "Top 2 Toe program." This program is similar to Christmas in Coweta. We will sponsor children and buy clothes they need for the beginning of the school year. In addition to VBS donations, we will have tags for children on a decorated tree in the vestibule at the beginning of July. We hope many of our families will sponsor one of these children. More details to come.



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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, June 7

- 9:00 am Sunday School
- 10:00 am Worship Service

Tuesday, June 9

- 10:00 am Feeding Our Friends

Wednesday, June 10

- 9:00 am Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country
- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Stewardship Update Sunday, May 31, 2026	
Weekly Budget Needs	\$32,685.35
Budget Offering	\$18,771.00
YTD Budget Needs	\$719,077.70
YTD Budget Offering	\$753,600.35