

JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 GRAD BANQUET	2	3	4 POOL DAY	5	6	7
8 JAMAI*CA Youth Night IN THE POD 6-8	9 JAMAI*CA	10 JAMAI*CA	11 JAMAI*CA Youth Night IN THE POD 6-8	12 JAMAI*CA	13 JAMAI*CA	14 JAMAI*CA
15 JAMAI*CA FATHER'S DAY NO YOUTH	16 Ice Cream BUDDY SCOOPS MONDAY	17	1280 NO YOUTH	19 MFUGE	20 MFUGE	21 MFUGE
22 MFUGE NO YOUTH	23 MFUGE	24	25 Youth Night	26 HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH BUNCH	27	28
29 LEMONADE & COOKIES SOCIAL NO YOUTH	30 Ice Cream BUDDY SCOOPS MONDAY					

JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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6 Youth Night	7 IMPACT YOUTH LUNCH BUNCH	8	9 SERVE DAY	10	11	12
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20 Youth Night	21 Ice Cream BUDDY SCOOPS MONDAY	22	23 SERVE DAY	24	25	26
27 REVIVAL YOUTH NIGHT	28 REVIVAL MS LUNCH BUNCH	29 REVIVAL	30 REVIVAL HS LUNCH BUNCH	31		

AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 12 NO YOUTH	4 Ice Cream BUDDY SCOOPS MONDAY	5	6 Youth Night	7	8 SURGE	9 SURGE
10 SURGE NO YOUTH	11	12	13 LAKE ADVENTURE	14 HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH BUNCH	15	16
17 NO YOUTH	18 MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH BUNCH	19	20 Youth Night	21	22 BACK 2 SCHOOL BASH	23
24 The Sunday Table	25 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL PRAYER SEND OFF	26	27 WNY WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH	28	29	30
31 SNY SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH						

REGULAR GATHERINGS

Youth Night (e The Berrier's House) Youth Nights are an opportunity for students to gather, play, and learn. We will meet at the Berrier's. Bring a bathing suit, towel, and change of clothes! Middle School (MS) meets from 5-6, MS & HS eat & swim 6-7, High School (HS) meets from 7-8. **6/8 & 6/11 will be in the POD from 6-8, all grades together. Buddy Scoops Mondays**

Students are invited to gather at Buddy Scoops in Midway from 2-3 p.m. on some Mondays for hanging out over Ice Cream. Bring \$ if you want a sweet treat. Drop off & Pick up at Buddy Scoops.

Lunch Bunch Days

Lunch Bunch is a time we come together in fellowship over lunch. We will meet at the church at 11:00 to head to the Lunch Bunch site. Bring \$ for your lunch.

6/26 HS Only - Jasons Deli

7/7 MS & HS - Spankys

7/28 MS Only - Being your own lunch @ Finch Park

7/30 HS Only - TBD

8/14 HS Only - TBD

8/18 MS Only - TBD

SUMMER HAPPENINGS

Grad Banquet | 6/1 | 4:30 - 8:30 We will be celebration our 2025 Graduates with a banquet and dinner. We need 6th-11th graders to come and help with the meal and serve the graduates. Dress nice!

End of Year Pool Day | 6/4 | 6:00-8:00 Lets celebrate your last days of school and exams at the Berrier's Pool. Bring your bathing suit, towel, and a change of clothes!

Carowinds | 7/2 | Price: \$40-\$51

Come join us for a day of roller coasters and thrill rides. We will leave at 8:15a and be back at 8:00p. Tickets are \$40, if you would like a drink band it is an additional \$11.

VBS | 7/13 - 7/17

We are inviting students to sign up for VBS as volunteers to help make this the best week for the kids in our community!

Serve Days | 7/9, 7/23 | Various Times We will be participating in two service projects in our area in order to be the light of the world in the community. Precise times and information will be announced as it gets closer.

Revival | 7/27 - 7/30 | 6:00 - 8:00 Join us for a time of spiritual renewal at our church Revival. Sunday night will be a Youth Centered night of Revival! All youth and Parents are encouraged to come join us each night.

Lemonade & Cookie Social | 7/29 | 10:45-11:10 Each Sunday in June a ministry/group from the church will host a Lemonade Social in between Sunday School & Late Service. The youth will host on Promotion Sunday, as we welcome rising 5th graders to join us at youth.

The Sunday Table | 8/24 | 5:30p

We will have a community dinner where our students, their families, church and community members are invited.

Lake Day | 8/13

SURGE | 8/8 - 8/10

Back 2 School Bash | 8/22 | More details to come

1st Day of School Prayer Send Off | 8/25 | 7:00 AM

WNY & SNY Resumes | 6:00p - 8:00p | In the POD

Center Church News

MAY 2025

Held By God's Hand

There is a song Josh leads us in at the Centered Service, "Goodness of God". I absolutely love it. The opening lyrics remind us,

I love you Lord
Oh your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
O, I will sing of the goodness of God

The Psalmist wrote "From birth I have relied on you: you brought me forth from my mother's wound. I will ever praise you" (Psalm 71:6). What a powerful thought that God has literally pulled us from our mother's womb and frankly has pulled us all our days. Times we couldn't make it on our own strength. When we felt like giving up. God has pulled us along. I am thankful He has placed others in my life to help me and encourage me along this journey of life. Who are you helping?

Grace and peace,
Pastor Mitch

Women's Ministry:
A Gathering of Hearts and Hands

Ladies of the church, mark your calendars! On Tuesday, May 13, at 6:30 PM, the fellowship hall will come alive with the warmth and camaraderie of our Women's Ministry meeting. This month, we're thrilled to have Stacie Michael preparing our "Thinking of You" cards, ready for your heartfelt messages. Be inspired as Debbie Williams leads us in a soul-nourishing devotional, and don't miss Terri Bates' exciting program that's sure to engage and uplift.

In the spirit of service, we're reaching out to our local heroes at the Welcome Fire Department with donations of easy-to-grab snacks. It's a wonderful opportunity to show our gratitude and support. We warmly invite all women of the church to join us for an evening of fellowship, inspiration, and community service. Let's come together to make a difference!

Blood Drive

We are thrilled to report the success of our recent Blood Drive at Center Church, held on Sunday, April 27th. Our initial goal was to collect 31 units of blood, but thanks to the incredible generosity of our donors, we exceeded this by collecting an impressive 48 units. These donations will make a significant difference to strangers in need. We are proud to be part of such a caring and compassionate community. A heartfelt thank you to all Center Church members who contributed to making this event a success.



Threads of Love News:
Spreading Love and Comfort

-In January, Our Mission Team delivered 20 inch bags (backpacks) to the children and square lap prayer quilts to the ladies in a Jamaican village.
-A heartfelt thanks to the ladies who crafted seven Fidget Lap Activity Quilts for Lexington Health Care!
-Our Women's Ministry created over 50 Bingo Prize bags for the facility.
Upcoming Projects:
-The activities director at Lexington Health Care has requested old pocketbooks. During your spring cleaning, please consider donating any old pocketbooks you no longer love. There is a drop-off box in the choir room. Thank you!
-We're making flannel baby blankets for Alpha Pregnancy Center of Lexington. If you'd like to help hem the blankets, please contact Molly Long at memawmolly8@gmail.com. Together, we are making a difference!



We are excited to introduce Keystone Homeschool Co-op, a collaborative learning community for families that will be held at Center Church.

Keystone will offer engaging and Christian based classes designed to enrich your child's homeschool experience.

Keystone Homeschool co-op will provide a unique blend of academic support, social interaction, and enrichment for homeschool families in our area.

If your family is interested in exploring this educational opportunity for the 2025-2026 school year, visit www.keystonehs.education for more information and/or to register.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This year, "Magnified!" invites children to explore the wonders of God’s creation and celebrate His greatness. Through engaging activities, they will discover that God is our creator, caretaker, loving savior, and faithful promise-keeper. Together, we'll raise our voices in praise because we are made to magnify God!

Get ready to embark on an exciting journey this summer at Center Church! Our Vacation Bible School (VBS), themed "Magnified!", is set to take place from

July 13th-17th. Join us nightly from Sunday to Wednesday, 6-8:15 PM, with a special dinner for campers at 5:15 PM. The adventure culminates on Thursday with a delightful family meal finale from 5-7 PM in the CFC.

Reflect on the unique gifts God has entrusted to you and consider how you can "bee" a helping hand this year. Keep an eye out for volunteer sign-up stations, which will soon be available in the CFC foyer and sanctuary narthex. Camper pre-registration begins June 1st, 2025. Let's work together to make this VBS an unforgettable experience for all!

We are calling upon our vibrant community to lend a hand. There are numerous volunteer opportunities available, including high-five greeters, class leaders, crew guides, games assistants, music and art helpers, drama facilitators, dinner crew, church security, and sound/video tech support.

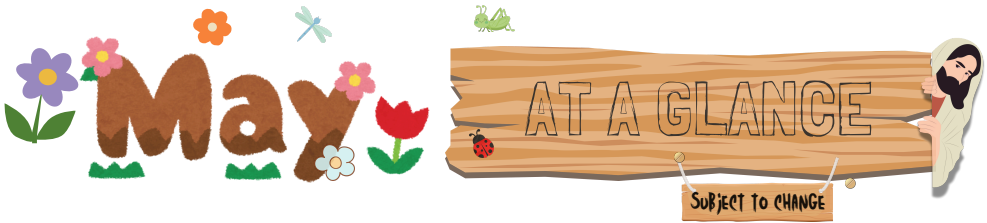
May's Encouragement Corner



As we welcome the blossoming month of May, let us find inspiration in the words of Matthew 5:9. In a world that often feels tumultuous, being a peacemaker is a profound calling. Peacemakers bring light into darkness, tranquility into chaos, and unity where there is division. Embrace the role of a peacemaker in your daily life. Whether it is through a kind word, a thoughtful action, or simply standing strong in your faith, each of us has the power to make a difference. Remember, the promise of being called 'sons of God' is not just a title but a recognition of our efforts to mirror the divine peace that God offers. Let this verse be a beacon of hope and encouragement as we strive to cultivate peace within ourselves and extend that peace to those around us. May your actions this month inspire others to also become vessels of harmony and love.

Happy May, and may peace be with you all!

Sincerely, Your Sister in Christ; Annie Hege



Thursday, May 1-2, 2025

·All day: CFC - Special Needs Prom

Sunday, May 4, 2025

·4pm-5pm:
FH - Discipleship Committee Meeting

Monday, May 5, 2025

·*Cinco de Mayo*

Thursday, May 8, 2025

·6:30pm-7:30pm:
FH - CCA Board Meeting

Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, 2025

·All day: Whole Church
- Rhett Walker Concert

Sunday, May 11, 2025

·*Mother's Day*
·4pm-5pm: FH - Administrative Board
·6pm-8pm: POD & CFC - Impact Youth

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

·5pm-8:30pm:
FH - Women's Ministry Mtg @ 6:30
·6:15pm-8:45pm: Upstairs-FH - AHG

Thursday, May 15, 2025

·6pm-7pm: Children's Basement
- Children's Council MTG

Friday, May 16, 2025

·*Kaitlyn Berrier's birthday*
·4pm-9pm:
Friendship / Good Samaritan / FH

Saturday, May 17, 2025

·10am-2pm: FH - Goodwill Class Painting
·2pm-6pm: CFC - Kitchen - Feed Homeless

Sunday, May 18, 2025

·10am-12pm: Breakfast With The Pastor
·10am-3pm: Graduation Party
·3pm-5pm: CFC - JOY Kids
·3pm-5pm: Downstairs Area - JAM Kids
·4pm-5pm: Sanctuary - Bell Practice

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

·6pm-8pm: FH - Threads of Love

Thursday, May 22, 2025

·7:30am-1:30pm: Center Christian Academy
Pre-K Graduation / CFC
·6:30pm-7:30pm: Staff Parrish Meeting
- Simple Servants Classroom
·7:30pm-9:30pm: CFC for CCA

Monday, May 26, 2025

·*Memorial Day*

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

·All day: CFC - P&G Setup and Practice
·6pm-7pm: FH - Threads of Love

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

·All day: CFC - Set Up P&G

Thursday, May 29, 2025

·All day: CFC - P&G
·6pm-7pm: CFC - P&G Hot Dog Supper
·7pm-9pm: CFC - Pickin' & Grinnin'

RECURRING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

8:30am - 9am
CFC Portico-Rise and Shine Service
9am - 10am
CFC - Centered Service
9:45am - 10:45am
FH- Goodwill Sunday School Class
10am - 11am
Sunday School for all ages
11:10am - 12:10pm
Sanctuary-Traditional Worship Service
6pm - 8pm
POD & CFC - Impact Youth

Tuesday

6:15pm-8:45pm: Upstairs-FH - AHG

Wednesday

6pm-8pm: CFC & POD - Impact Youth
6:30pm: Children's Choir
7pm-8pm: Sanctuary - Chancel Choir Practice



JAM Kids (K5 – 2nd Grades) meet monthly on the 3rd Sunday in the downstairs children’s area from 3 to 5pm.

JOY Kids (3rd – 5th Grades) meet monthly on the 3rd Sunday in the Christian Fellowship Center from 3 to 5pm.

Alternating Sundays - 4pm - 5pm Sanctuary-Bell Practice

Event Details

·Date: Thursday, May 29
·Time: Music starts at 6:30 PM
·Meal: A delicious Hotdog Meal will be sold for \$6 starting at 5:30 PM

Special Offering

This month's offering will support the Backpack Program for Welcome School. Your contributions will help provide essential supplies for our young students.

We look forward to seeing you there for a night filled with good music, great food, and wonderful fellowship!

LAST MONTH: PICKIN' & GRINNIN': We were blessed to have an incredible turnout of 185 attendees, and through their generous contributions, we raised \$994 for our Center Youth Mission Training Camp at MFuge in June. Additionally, the hotdog meal brought in another \$601 for the P&G Fund. We are deeply grateful for the dedicated hands and talented musicians who make this monthly event possible. Join us for our next exciting session on Thursday, May 29!

May's Acolyte Lineup

<u>5/4/2025</u>	<u>5/18/2025</u>
Acolyte	Acolyte
Emma Fowler	Lin Robbins
Bible Bearer	Bible Bearer
Adelae Berrier	Talon Robbins
<u>5/11/2025</u>	<u>5/25/2025</u>
Acolyte	Acolyte
Katlyn Leonard	Ryder Tidwell
Bible Bearer	Bible Bearer
Elena Langau	River Tidwell

Pastoral Care

For prayer or visitation needs, including hospital procedures and emergencies, call or text Barbara Cross 24/7 at 440-567-6570. Fridays are especially important as our pastor enjoys a much-needed day of rest, but your needs will always be met.

Join us at The Center Church of Welcome for an unforgettable Christian concert experience on May 10th! Get ready to lift your spirits and your voices as we celebrate the joy of faith through music.

Before the concert, enjoy a delightful array of treats from our food trucks available from 1:00pm - 6:00pm. Gather your friends and share a meal, then head inside when the doors open at 5:00 PM.

The music will start at 6:00 PM and fill the evening with uplifting melodies until 9:00 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity to unite in worship and community, so don't miss out! Mark your calendars and come ready to praise! 🌟

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The Light FM

RAISING PRAISE MINISTRY

Presents

RHETT WALKER

MERCY FALLS

MIKE DILLON

SATURDAY MAY 10

Center Church of Welcome
186 Center Church Rd, Lexington, NC
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
VIP & GROUP SALES AVAILABLE!
GROUP SALES END MARCH 31ST

FOOD TRUCKS
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
DOORS OPEN
5:00 PM
MERCY FALLS
MIKE DILLON
RHETT WALKER
6:00 - 9:00

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