



**CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

Weekly Newsletter

October 15, 2017

This Sunday @ Central

- 9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs
 Youth Handbells
- 9:45 a.m. Church School for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
 David Cozad preaching
- 12:00 Noon Fellowship Lunch--Tull Fellowship Hall
Menu:
 Hamburger and Hot Dog Bar with all the fixins
 Baked Beans
 French Fries
 Assorted Cookies

**\$8 adults, \$3 children ages 11 and younger*

NEWS

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MINISTRY®

Next **Spring**, Central will be implementing a new care ministry called Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers are laypeople-Christian women and men-trained to provide one-to-one care to people experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, relocation, or separation due to military deployment and more.

We will be offering several informative sessions throughout the Fall. Please stay tuned.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE



2018 Stewardship Season: Make Your Pledge Today

The stewardship committee is hard at work! Thank you to those of you who have already pledged. If you have not, please make your pledge before Dedication Sunday on 2018. You can pledge on the website here: <https://cpcatlanta.org/stewardship/> or with a paper pledge card, which you will receive in the mail by next week. Paper pledge cards are also available in the narthex and the church office.

Thank you for helping Central continue in gratitude, hospitality, and generosity!



Another Theatre Event!

The Events Committee invites you to join us to attend a play at Actor's Express, "The Christians."

"Pastor Paul has built his congregation from modest storefront to shining megachurch with a membership of thousands. But when the beloved minister steps up to the pulpit to share a new belief, his stunning revelation leaves the entire church community rocked to its core. A provocative excavation of modern faith, *The Christians* is a runaway hit of the New York Theatre season. This stunningly original play will have all of Atlanta talking"

When: Thursday, October 12, 8:00 p.m.
Location: Actor's Express At the King Plow Arts Center
887 West Marietta Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

You may purchase tickets online here: https://www.actors-express.com/order/event-list?spektrix_bounce=true

You may also purchase tickets by phone: 404-607-7469

To let us know you're coming, please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=w.ProcessCreate7&requesttimeout=360>

It's open seating, so we can meet at the theatre 10-15 minutes before the show and sit together, if you like.

Questions? Call David York at 404-295-9922

Let's Show Central Pride!!

Join fellow Centralites **Sunday, October 15th** immediately after church for the annual Pride Parade which steps off at **noon**. Gather at W. Peachtree and Ivan Allen near Civic



Center MARTA station.

Everyone is welcome to march with Central! It's loud, fun and exhilarating to march down the middle of Peachtree Road and be cheered by appreciative onlookers.

A word to Central from one of our gay members:

Pride is an annual celebration where LGBTQ people gather publicly and proclaim to the world our pride and claiming who we are. This is after many of us have hidden in shame. We at Central are profoundly grateful to have found this place where we are free to worship fully as who we are--who God created us

to be. We are not simply tolerated but embraced in the full life of the church. AND we do all of this in a "regular" church--not a GAY church. Praise God for this.

Now, for the parade. Perhaps most of you have never thought of marching. LGBTQ members and the usual allies march every year. The crowds are accustomed to seeing us (even though churches are especially welcomed all along the route.) We would love to have more of you join us for as we celebrate OUR pride; it's straight friendly! We are proud of our church community which welcomes fully. The world needs to see you and know that such a special place exists. Won't you join the fun?!

Global Mission Fair Trade Coffee Sale



Global Mission will be selling coffee October 22nd. Come buy your fair trade coffee and chocolate. We will be taking credit cards.

[Just Bakery of Atlanta](#) is a non-profit organization that trains, certifies, and employs refugees at a living wage. They will be selling baked goods in Tull Hall before and after worship once a month, along with the usual monthly fair-trade coffee sale supported by Global Mission. We are excited to partner with Just Bakery and their bakers to create diverse, life-giving community and economic security as they settle into their new homes and lives in the Atlanta area. Come to church hungry on October 22!



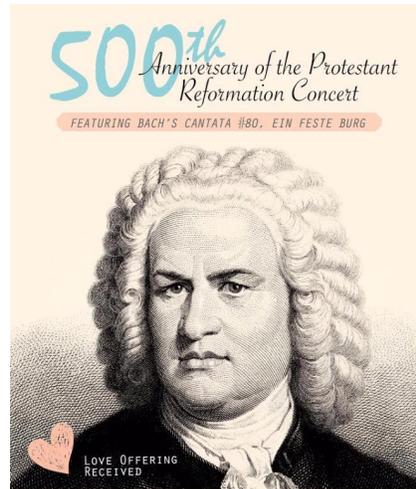
CENTRAL NIGHT SHELTER

Having first opened its doors in 1980, the Central Night Shelter (CNS) will open again Wednesday, November 1. This ministry, which provides shelter during the cold weather months of November - March, is run totally by volunteers. These volunteers come from all over the Metro Atlanta area. For example, for many years, the congregation of Peachtree City United Methodist Church has taken the nights of the first and last weeks of the season. Other

volunteers come from organizations such as schools, churches, and fraternities. Central Church is responsible for ten nights throughout the season, and now is the time to fill those dates.

If you are interested in volunteering as part of a group to prepare and serve dinner, prepare sack breakfast and lunch, or spend the night, stop by the CNS table in Tull Hall on 10/22 or 10/29. You may also contact Wills Moore by [email](#) or Shelley Parnes by [email](#).

To learn more about CNS, follow this link: [CNS Welcome | CNS Atlanta](#)



CPC Chancel Choir to participate

Make Plans to Attend a Concert in Celebration of the Reformation

On **Saturday, October 28 at 7PM**, Central's Chancel Choir will join choirs from First Presbyterian, Shallowford Presbyterian, Morningside Presbyterian, Peachtree Presbyterian, St. Luke's Presbyterian, and Peachtree Road Methodist in a concert featuring Bach's Cantata BWV80--*Ein Feste Burg*.

This concert will be held at Peachtree Road Methodist Church located on Peachtree Road in Buckhead. **Click here** for directions.



Coming soon!

SAVE THE DATE!

FALL ISSUE FORUMS

Saturday October 28th, 9:30-11am
Monday November 13th, 7-8:30 pm

This fall Presbyterians for Better Georgia will be hosting two forums about issues that will be central to the upcoming legislative session. We will have a Northern event at Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church in October and a Central event at Druid Hills Presbyterian Church in November. More information will be coming soon!



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A MESSAGE FROM THE
Transition Team

Please plan on staying for lunch on Sun, Oct 29 for our next Congregational Town Hall. You will hear an update from the PNC on their latest activities and ways in which our congregation can continue to be supportive in the upcoming phases of the Senior Pastor search. There will be a time for questions and conversation, as well as updates from the Transition Team on other recent work we have been doing.

To Support the OAC This Fall

While we usually celebrate fall with our Cheers for Change fundraiser, we're doing things a little bit different this year! While you can look forward to Cheers for Change in spring of 2018, this fall, we are partnering with some other organizations for three exciting events. We hope to see you at one (or more!) of these fall events, and we can't wait to share Cheers for Change with you again next spring!

Visit our website for additional information on the three fall events!

<https://centraloac.org/news-events/>

Sign-Up for Monthly Hardwick Prison Trips



WE NEED
YOU

Use this form to sign-up for the 3rd Saturday of a month that works for you to shuttle families to and from Hardwick, GA (Baldwin & Riverbend State Prisons) for a trip to see loved ones! Once you have signed up, you will be put in touch with Susan Landrum (susan.landrum@gmail.com) and Wende Ballew (wendeballew@gmail.com) to coordinate the details. We're recruiting for both a driver and supporter for each trip.

We are grateful for your time, energy and service!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b44acad2faa8-signup>