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CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14
Eleven O'clock AM

Last Sunday after the Epiphany—White
Transfiguration of the Lord

**SERMON: INTO THE VALLEY, TO JERUSALEM,
AND BEYOND**

The Gospel: The Transfiguration
Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

Hymns

O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair No. 258
Psalter: Psalm 99 No. 819-29
Morning Has Broken No. 145
Jesus, I Have Promised No. 396

Nursery Kay Lawrence and Lynn Proctor
Children's Church Louise Parris

STAR/Sacred Traditions and Rituals
6:00 PM
Central's Fellowship Hall
Living in Sync with Dreams

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21
Eleven O'clock AM

First Sunday in Lent—Purple
Central Carillon

Lectionary
Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16 (UMH 810)
Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13

Nursery Pat and Sid Franklin
Children's Church: Ali Williams

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Join us each Wednesday for warm fellowship
and good food.

February 17 5:45 PM
Menu

Pork Chop, Roasted Red Potatoes, Butter Beans,
Bread, Dessert, Tea and Coffee

Adults \$6 Children 4-10 \$3



Central Time

February 10, 2010

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PASTORAL MUSINGS

These past two weeks have been anything but "business as usual" for many of us beginning with the cancellation of all church activities on Sunday, January 31. It is difficult for an "active-not-retired-yet-minister" to be sitting at home at eleven o'clock on a Sunday morning with ice in the driveway and his dogs sliding over the back yard!

During the time of trying to make a decision about whether or not to cancel activities on the 31st, many of you were very helpful in your assessment of the situation, giving me guidance that I greatly needed. For that I am most appreciative.

Last Sunday, February 7, we experienced a wonderful morning worship service when we received Dusty and Amy Blake into the membership and baptized their daughter, Mia Lewis Blake. Dusty is an assistant baseball coach at Wofford College and Amy is a pediatrics nurse at Mary Black Hospital. In addition, we celebrated the Sacrament of the Holy Communion. The administration of the two sacraments of our United Methodist tradition in one service is indeed a special occasion.

I hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to re-

ceive the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the third Tuesday of each month at twelve o'clock noon in the Cannon Memorial Chapel. This service is designated as a Healing /Communion service. It is a time for individuals to offer prayer concerns for the church, community, and the world, as well as personal prayer concerns. The February service will be held on the 16th.

By the time you receive this issue of *Central Time* I will have been in Charleston (the 9th) at the Medical University of South Carolina Hospital for Mary Morrison's surgery and then in Orangeburg at The Methodist Oaks (9th, 10th and 11th) for a meeting of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry.

This Sunday we will explore The Transfiguration of the Lord (Luke 9:28-36, 37-43), the "out of this world" happening that led Peter, James, and John to follow Jesus down the mountain into the Lenten world of temptation, suffering, and death all the way to resurrection and new life.

I'll see you Sunday!
Luther

CENTRAL'S LENTEN SCHEDULE

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
February 17

Following the Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper
Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 (Sanctuary)
Invitation to the Lenten Discipline
(The Imposition of the Ashes)
The Reverend Luther Rickenbaker

**WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES
AND LUNCHEON**

The Lenten Services will begin at 12 o'clock noon
in the sanctuary.
A light lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall
immediately following each service.

GUEST PREACHERS

February 24
The Reverend Dr. Robert E. Stillwell
Anderson District Superintendent

March 3
The Reverend Kathy James,
Congregational Specialist
Rock Hill and Spartanburg
Districts

March 10
The Reverend Sue Perrin
Deacon and Parish Missioner
The Episcopal Church of the Advent, Spartanburg

March 17
The Reverend Dr. Ron Robinson
Perkins-Prothro Chaplain and
Professor of Religion, Wofford College

March 24
The Reverend Karen H. L. Jones, Minister
of Christian Education and Programs
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