

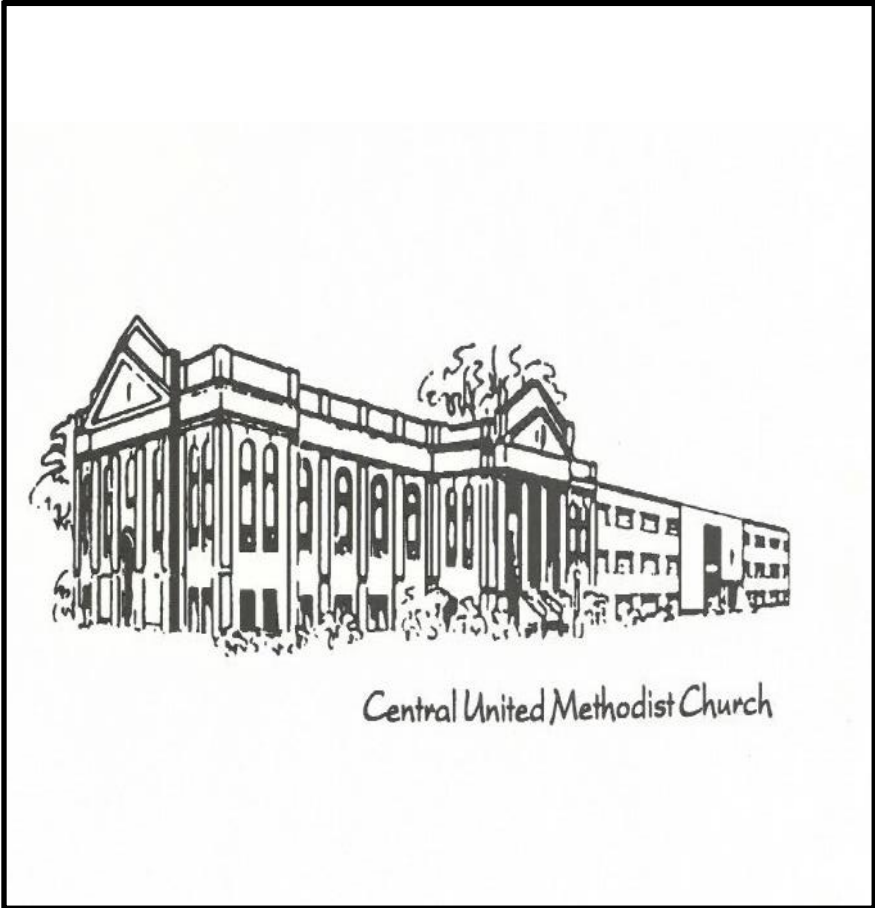
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MISSION STATEMENT
 Making disciples of
 Jesus Christ
 for the transformation
 of the world.

VISION STATEMENT
 We are a Christ-centered,
 scripturally grounded
 community, growing in
 loving relationship with God,
 our local children and
 community, and our world.

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 February 9, 2025



GROWING.
 LOVING.
 RELATING.
WELCOME

Worship Order – 9:15 a.m.

February 9, 2025
"How to Be a Friend"
James 2.14-26

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connection Card to place in the offering plate.

CENTERING MUSIC

*CALL TO WORSHIP

After Joshua 24

L: Fear the Lord and serve him with your whole heart.

P: We will serve the Lord.

L: Put away all your idols, your false gods and your masters.

P: We will serve the Lord.

L: Choose this day whom you will serve.

P: We will serve the Lord.

L: Will you serve the gods of the world?

P: We will serve the Lord.

L: Will you serve the god of convenience?

P: We will serve the Lord.

L: If you leave God, he will reject you.

P: We will serve the Lord.

L: You are witness to your own words and your own choice.

All: We will serve the Lord.

*HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

No. 526

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Dewey Miller

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

ANTHEM

MESSAGE

"How to Be a Friend"
James 2.14-26

Pastor Dewey Miller

*HYMN

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

No. 419

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Stand as you are able

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY

SUNDAY, February 9

8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
9:15 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary/Online
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Classrooms
4:30 p.m.	Youth Super Bowl Party	Youth Room

MONDAY, February 10

5:30 p.m.	Leadership Council	Church Office
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TUESDAY, February 11

5:30 p.m.	Zumba	FLC
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WEDNESDAY, February 12

5:30 p.m.	Choir Practice	Choir Room
5:30 p.m.	Activity	FLC

THURSDAY, February 13

5:30 p.m.	Zumba	FLC
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SATURDAY, February 15

11:00 a.m.	Birthday Event	Tunnels
8:00 p.m.	N/A Meeting	Garden Room/FLC

SUNDAY, February 16

8:45 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
9:15 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary/Online
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Classrooms



Joys & Concerns

Fill in the **Joys** and give your **Concerns** to share. Call or email the Church office.
812-424-3574 cumc@central-church.org

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How to Be a Friend

James 2.14-26

9 February 2025

*“Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.” And he was called the friend of God. You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only. **James 2.23-24***

Moses is a friend of God.

*So the Lord spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. **Exodus 33.11***

Abraham is a friend of God.

*“But you, Israel, are My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, The descendants of Abraham My friend. **Isaiah 41.8***

Humans are made to be in community; to have friends.

But we are currently in a precarious place:

- We have lost many of our friends to death.
- Political polarization makes it harder to maintain friendships.
- COVID lockdowns caused us to lose touch with many friends.

1. Friendship requires _____.

2. Friendship requires _____.

3. Friendship requires _____.

*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 1 **Corinthians 13.4-7***

Take Away Prayer-

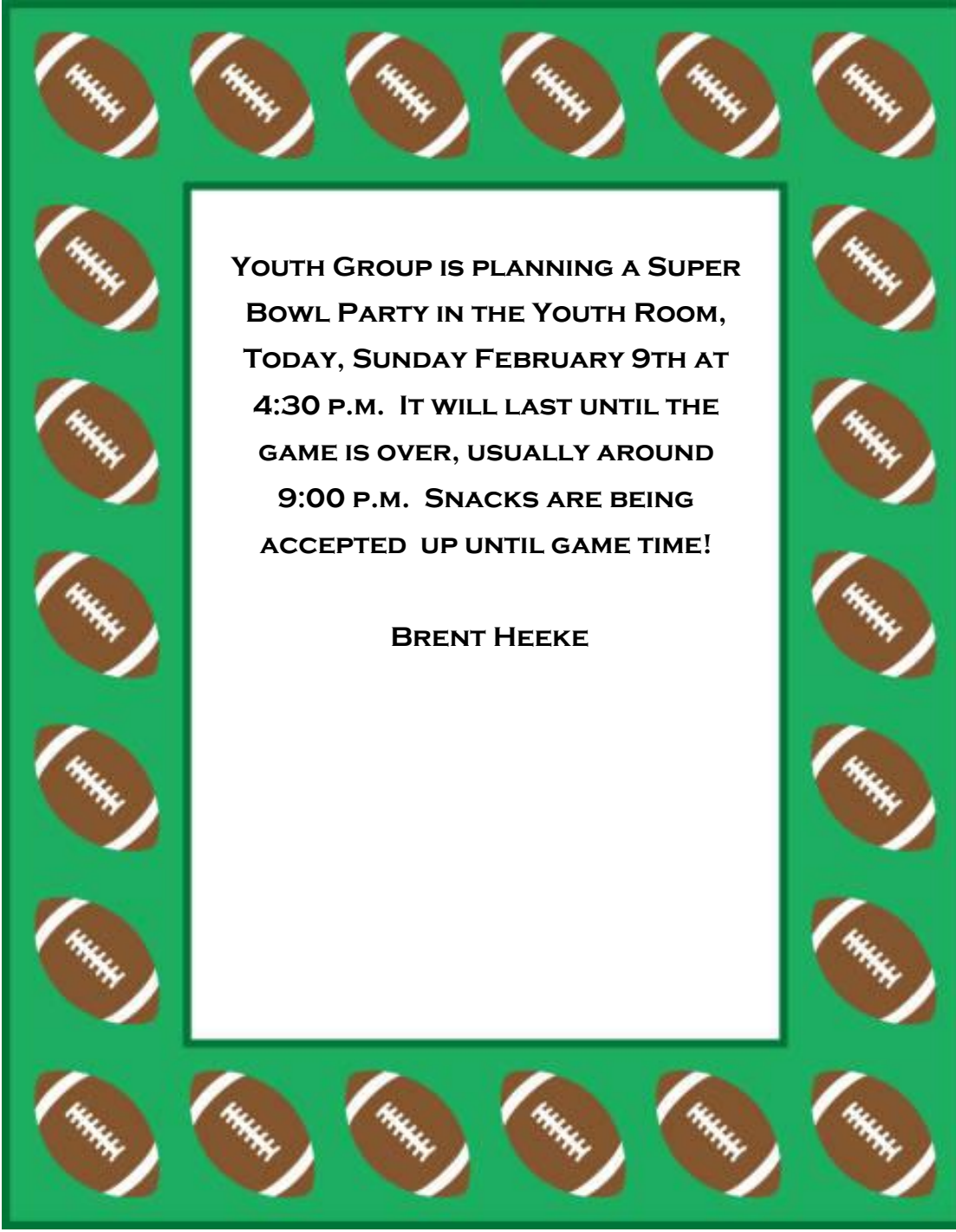
Help me to value my friendships, O God.

Send me loyal, patient, and understanding friends.

Make me a friend that others will cherish;

And make me a friend of yours.

Amen.



**YOUTH GROUP IS PLANNING A SUPER
BOWL PARTY IN THE YOUTH ROOM,
TODAY, SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9TH AT
4:30 P.M. IT WILL LAST UNTIL THE
GAME IS OVER, USUALLY AROUND
9:00 P.M. SNACKS ARE BEING
ACCEPTED UP UNTIL GAME TIME!**

BRENT HEEKE