



## The Weekly News

September 9, 2024

Fall Kick Off begins Sunday  
with worship, lunch & more!

SEPTEMBER 8



Join us as our Fall Adult Sunday Schools begin, as well as children and youth choir rehearsal. We will have a congregational lunch following worship. It's also 'Bring a Friend to Church Sunday' so invite a friend to experience a special time with us!

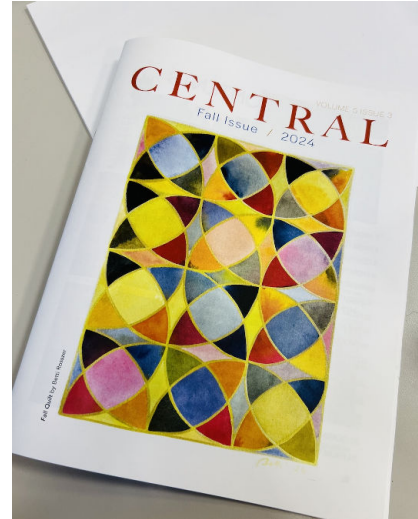
You can sign up for the luncheon below. The lunch will be catered by Kenley's Restaurant and includes, fried chicken tenders, mac-n-cheese, green beans, fresh fruit, cookies, tea, and lemonade. The Gluten-free and Vegetarian options include black beans and tuna salad. The cost is \$10/adult and \$5/child with a \$25/family max cost.

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## Central's fall magazine is available

Central's fall magazine is hot off the presses! You can pick up a copy at church on Sunday. The issue contains updates, previews on fall activities, and columns from our staff. Thanks to Betti Rosszer again for the cover art!



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## Hala Hess White joins Central as Communications Associate

Hala Hess White has joined the Central staff as our Communications Associate! Hala has more than 20 years of experience in faith-based and nonprofit communications in Director and Consulting roles at multiple churches in Georgia, including over 15 as Director of Communications at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. She has served as a consultant for multiple churches throughout north Georgia. She also worked for media outlets, including CNN.



She has a unique connection to Central. Her sister was a Central member many years ago when she lived in Atlanta.

Hala lives in Peachtree City. You may reach her at [hhwhite@cpcatlanta.org](mailto:hhwhite@cpcatlanta.org)

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**DEADLINE REMINDER:** As a reminder, our deadlines for the Wednesday e-weekly is Monday at noon. If you have an announcement, please email Hala Hess White at [hhwhite@cpcatlanta.org](mailto:hhwhite@cpcatlanta.org)

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# Central in The City at Town Hall Meeting



Central in the City on the move! Central members and staff attended the CAP & ADID Town Hall at the Rialto Center for the Arts at Georgia State this morning. Pictured here, members of Central in the City Jerry Miller and Gary Cornell. The area around our church is on the verge of trending upwards. As A.J. Robinson, president of Central Atlanta Progress, said, "South downtown is on the move." With new redevelopment in the area and the World Cup coming in 2026, it will be a dynamic time for this section of the city.

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Brown's film to have virtual screening



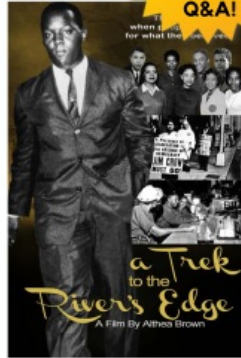


Join our

**VIRTUAL DOCUMENTARY NIGHT 9/8/2024**

COMMUNITY DOCUMENTARY NIGHT!  
WATCH, DISCUSS, GROW TOGETHER

Director Althea Brown will join us for a Q&A!



## A Trek To The River's Edge

This is a documentary film about the Atlanta Student Movement of the 1960's. This film outlines the strategy, planning and actions of the students and the support from the larger community striving to overcome the oppression of segregation in contemporary America.

Click the movie poster to watch the film for free

**YOU MUST RSVP TO GET THE FILM AND ZOOM LINK** [Click to RSVP!](#)

We meet on selected Sundays from 7:00 to 9:00 pm EST. Attendees come from around the country and range in age from 20s to 90s. We'll do multiple rounds of small group discussion, hold a special guest Q&A, then end by brainstorming & voting on what to watch next. Stay as long as you like!



Watch the film for free on your own and join us on Zoom for the discussion!

TO JOIN THE EMAIL LIST, CONTACT [CommunityDocumentaryNight@gmail.com](mailto:CommunityDocumentaryNight@gmail.com)

Central member Althea Brown's film, "A Trek To The River's Edge," will be screened with a discussion to follow virtually this upcoming Sunday. Details above.

## Mason Copeland to have organ recital on Sept. 15



On September 15 at 3:15 p.m. our very own organist extraordinaire, Mason Copeland, will present an organ recital at The Cathedral of St. Philip in Buckhead. Let's see how large a cheering section of Centralites can be there to support him!

# Connect

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## Third Act Georgia Official Launch Act TODAY! 7 to 8 p.m.

Third Act Georgia Official Launch Third Act is a group founded by environmental advocate Bill McKibben to empower “experienced Americans” (over 60) to help change the world for the better. Third Act will launch of the Georgia Working Group via zoom on September 4, 7 to 8 p.m. Let’s use our life experience to tackle our unfinished life’s work and protect our climate and preserve democracy.

Check it out at [thirdact.org](http://thirdact.org).

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## Thirsty Thursdays 7 p.m. Manuel’s Tavern

Central members meet monthly at [Manuel's Tavern](#) for a time of informal fellowship. While this event was initially for Young Professionals, the event is open to all ages. Guests are welcome and no RSVP is required! Manuel’s is located at 602 North Highland Avenue Northeast, Atlanta, GA 30307.

Upcoming dates include:

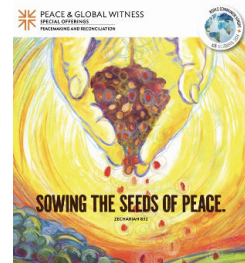
September 26  
October 24

Questions? Contact **M.E. Davis** at [maryelizabeth.pope@gmail.com](mailto:maryelizabeth.pope@gmail.com)

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## Season of Peace is underway

The PC(USA) Peace & Global Witness Offering is underway. The denomination produce a special devotion for this time. You can receive daily devotions by subscribing via this [link](#).



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# Serve

**Central to participate at GFADP  
September 14  
Noon to 2:30 p.m.  
Ebenezer Baptist Church**



The Mission Committee is strengthening our partnership with GFADP and sponsoring a table to participate in the Mary Ruth Weir Celebration and Annual Awards Ceremony held at Ebenezer Baptist Church by Georgians for Alternatives for the Death Penalty (GFADP).

Longtime Central member Peggy Hendrix is slated to be recognized at the event.

It is a family friendly event and lunch is included. Tickets are \$75 per person and \$25 for students.

Questions? Contact **Bobbie Paul**

Here is a link to the site where you can purchase seats AND/OR make a donation.

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## Sunday Sign-Ups for collecting friendship pads

We still need assistance collecting friendship pads each week. Collection of the friendship folders is an excellent family activity! Please note the need to move easily in both the sanctuary and balcony. You may sign up via the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C49ADAD2FABF49-50442701-friendship>

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## Worship

Sunday, September 8, 2024  
**Psalm 100 + Genesis 18:1-18**  
The Rev. Shannon J. Kershner preaching



# Learn



## FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

BY ROBERT CATTERALL

Another fall, and another set of compelling, thought-provoking and enriching adult learning offerings for Centralites.



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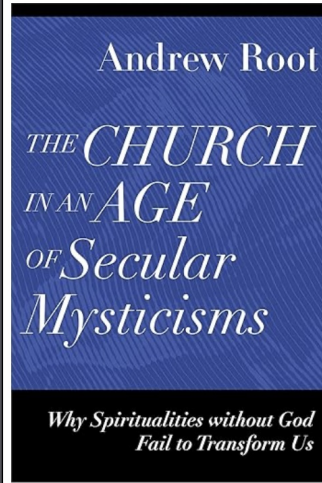
**Issues in Theology**  
**Sundays**  
**Greene Room**  
**9:45 to 10:45 a.m.**

This class will pick back up on its discussion of Andrew Root's "The Church in an Age of Secular Mysticism." Following a few weeks exploring that topic, the class will announce an updated



curriculum.

Click [here](#) for more about the book.



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## Sojourners Class

Brotherhood Room

9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

The Sojourners class will return to the brief but powerful essays on Jesus' life and teachings found in Debie Thomas' book, *Into the Mess and Other Jesus Stories: Reflections on the Life of Christ*. Thomas focuses particularly on teachings of Jesus and events in the life of Jesus that present challenges in understanding and interpretation, and she acknowledges these challenges and provides her own refreshingly candid thoughts and associated questions for consideration. The "Wonders" and "Teachings" sections of the book have provided a basis for rich discussion in past class sessions. This fall, the class will turn its attention to Thomas' essays in the category that she calls "Mysteries," covering Jesus' washing of the Disciples' feet, the crucifixion, the empty tomb, and more. Join us for conversations about Jesus' life and teachings that perhaps will be different from many you've had before. The Sojourners Class meets in the Brotherhood Room, off of Tull Hall. The class convener is Ed Carwile (carwile1230@earthlink.net).

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**Rebekah Circle**  
**September 9**  
**11 a.m.**  
**via Zoom**

The Rebekah Circle will meet Monday, September 9, at 11 a.m. via Zoom. See link below. Kaye Carmichael will lead the *Introduction* and Mary Lillian Walker

will lead Lesson 1 of the *Bible Study Book "Let Justice Roll Down."* Visitors are welcome. Please direct any questions to Frances St John at [fstjohn210@gmail.com](mailto:fstjohn210@gmail.com).

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 818 7419 6773

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## The Morgan Forum

September 19

1 to 7 p.m.

Pitts Theology Library,  
Emory University

The Morgan Forum is an annual conversation about the past, present, and future of the Bible. Started in 2023, in connection with Pitts

Theology Library's establishment of the J. Michael Morgan English Bible & Psalmody Collection, this annual event brings together biblical scholars, translators, collectors, and the general public to consider the impact of the Bible on the church and culture and to learn from one of the world's premier collections of English Bibles.

Morgan was Organist Emeritus at Central for many years and an integral part of the church's fabric before his death.

Information: <https://candler.emory.edu/about-candler/events/the-morgan-forum/>

## Bookworms begins September 24

Bookworms, Central's book club, is open to all readers. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month (note the exception in November / December) at members' homes to discuss the books and their impact. Check out our reading list for the upcoming program year and plan to join us! Questions?

Contact [Linda McCord](#).

Date	Title	Facilitator	Host
Sept 24	<i>Somehow</i> , Lamotte	Julie Boggs	Wade & Julie Boggs
Oct 22	<i>Demon Copperhead</i> , Kingsolver	Linda McCord	Frances St John
Dec. 3	<i>Heaven &amp; Earth Grocery Store</i> , McBride	Vicki Collier	TBD
Jan 28	<i>Braiding Sweetgrass</i> , Kimmerer	Ann Hunter	Debbie & Jerry Miller
Feb 25	<i>An Unfinished Love Story</i> , Goodwin	Ellen Thompson	Ellen Thompson
Mar 25	<i>The Women</i> , Hannah	Vicki Norman	TBD
Apr 22	<i>They Flew</i> , Eires	Rod Hunter	Rod & Ann Hunter
May 27	<i>The Pool Is Closed</i> , Palmer	Hannah Palmer	Martin & Linda Lehfelddt

# Give

## Humanitarian Response in Israel/Palestine

We have witnessed the millions of people caught in the middle of the devastating conflict between the government of Israel and Hamas. This humanitarian crisis is dire, and the loss of human life is unimaginable. Through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), the Presbyterian Church (USA) is providing assistance to those most vulnerable and supporting partners in Palestine and Israel who are responding to the needs of their neighbors. Our biggest concern is the safety and care for those caught in the middle of this conflict and in need of humanitarian aid, no matter their religious beliefs, politics, or nationality.

**[Click this link](#)** to give to Disaster Relief for Israel/Palestine (please note Middle East in the Disaster Supported box).

**[You can also click here to read more.](#)**

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Questions about your giving statement? Please contact **[Kristie Johns](#)** at (404) 601-3128.

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