

The Weekly News April 23, 2025

# Be Central Join us this weekend at the Inman Park Festival



The Inman Park Festival & Tour of Homes takes place in one of Atlanta's oldest and most scenic neighborhoods. Developed in the late 1800s, Inman Park features an abundance of historic homes and several scenic parks. The Festival began in the early 1970s as a means to attract attention for revitalization efforts in the community.

You can find more information about the festival here: *https://festival.inmanpark.org/info/* 

We want to have Centralites staff our booth (including youth and kids) to help spread the word about Central's mission and participate in our activities like face painting, arts and crafts, and/or games.

Volunteers needed:

- Saturday, April 26 between 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Sunday, April 27 between noon and 4 p.m.

Our booth number is #74 in the Community Corner on Edgewood and the site map is attached. It is sure to be a fun event - join us!

Contact Rev. Kate Culver for more questions.

Click here to Sign Up

# Want to Take Action?

This bill that recently passed the U.S. House of Representatives would keep millions of people from being able to vote. It requires in-person citizenship documentation and would end online and mail voter registration; potential voters who don't have passports, access to their birth certificates, or access to documents following a name change would be excluded from voting.

The Save Act isn't about safeguarding elections. It's about silencing voters. Tell your senators to vote no on this dangerous bill and protect our voting rights. Click below for assistance in contacting your senators.

STOP THE SAVE ACT

**AS A REMINDER:** The parking garage closes at 1 p.m. on Sundays following worship. If you need it open later, please contact Melissa Johnson at *mjohnson@cpcatlanta.org* 





### GIVE

You may give to Central online using this QR code or by going to *cpcatlanta.org.* 

**DEADLINE REMINDER:** As a reminder, our deadlines for the Wednesday eweekly is Monday at noon. If you have an announcement, please email Hala

## Connect

#### Congregational Lunch Sunday, May 4 *following worship* Tull Hall

Join us after worship for a special congregational lunch! We're looking forward to sharing this meaningful time of fellowship together. As part of the gathering, we'll also enjoy a brief artist presentation — more details coming soon!

In the meantime, go ahead and register below to let us know you'll be there. We can't wait to see you!

#### On the menu:

Baked chicken (Gluten free) Mac n cheese Collard greens (Gluten free) Black eyed peas (Gluten free) Green peas (Gluten free) Fresh fruit medley Assorted cookie platter Tea

Sign Up for Lunch

#### Thirsty Thursdays Thursday, April 24 7 p.m. Manuel's Tavern

Central members meet monthly (the fourth Thursday of the month) 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.

Serve

Questions? Contact M.E. Davis at maryelizabeth.pope@gmail.com

### 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 by clicking *this link.* 



Sunday, April 27, 2025 Luke 24:13-35 *Following Jesus through the Gospel of Luke* The Rev. Kate Culver preaching

## Learn

Central Bible Study: The Gospel of John Sunday, April 27 The Parlor 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.



Central Bible Study is a traditional Bible study class - what some would describe as "close examination of

Scripture." The verse-by-verse approach will mean that we'll ofen cover, in a given class session, just one chapter of the Scripture book of interest. We'll use the NRSV translation of the Bible. The approach to Scriptural analysis will be critical in nature, and we'll engage in Scriptural interpretation that reflects our Reformed theology. The first book of the Bible that will be explored by the Central Bible Study class will be the Gospel of John.

Class location: The Parlor (off of Tull Hall).

#### Issues in Theology: Shakespeare and Theology Sunday, April 27 Greene Room 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

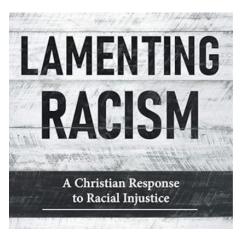
Our final week looking at "Measure for Measure" is this Sunday with Public Health and Social Justice. After a break for Palm Sunday and Easter, the group will study "The Tempest": Revenge vs. Forgiveness for three weeks, and finally on May 18 turn our attention to selected Sonnets.

Questions? Please contact Tina Sizemore (*tinasizemore@bellsouth.net*) or Rod Hunter (*rhunt02@emory.edu*).



Lamenting Racism Sunday, April 27 Brotherhood Room 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

You are invited to join us for a 6-week pop-up Sunday School class starting during Lent called *Lamenting Racism: A Christian Response to Racial Injustice*.



#### Here is how the course is

described: In Lamenting Racism, a team of

leading pastors and theologians invite us into the transformative and motivating practice of biblical lament as a powerful way to confront racism. Through their conversations in six thought-provoking videos, they name that God's people of every race are called to consider how we have been shaped and formed by race, and they guide us into experiencing lament as an anti-racism practice.

Encouraging congregations to reclaim the lost art of biblical lament, these pastors and theologians model a powerful way to pour out the fear, shame, grief, and rage of racism as we cry out to God in prayer. In the process, we will be transformed and motivated to reclaim hope and to act for a world shaped by God's inclusive vision of love and blessing.

We will gather during the Sunday School hour to watch a short video for the first 10-15 minutes and then have plenty of time for discussion and reflection. Our sessions continue April 27, May 4 and May 11, in the Brotherhood Room.

As a Matthew 25 church, Central has committed to dismantling systemic racism in our midst. With this short series, we have an opportunity as a congregation to name and lament racism and its impact as well as take new steps to live out our commitment to antiracism.

Contact M.E. Davis at *maryelizabeth.pope@gmail.com* or 404-630-2678 with any questions.

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.

If you have any difficulty logging in to your profile or making your online gift within Realm, please contact *Melissa Johnson*.

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

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