



CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

June 18, 2023, 9:15 AM
Central Christian Church

About our service:

We want worship to be comfortable for you. Feel free to bring your **coffee** with you into the worship area.

You are welcome to leave an **offering** with us if you are motivated. Simply deposit your offering in the box on the south wall of the worship area or follow prompts to text-to-give or to give online.

MEDITATION TABLE

STONES & VASE

Use the stones as a physical representation of your burden. Put the stones in the vase and leave the burden with God.

CANDLE

Light a candle for any praise or prayer concerns you have.

COMFORT CROSS

Feel free to pick up a cross and take it with you as a reminder that Jesus loves you unconditionally. His comfort, care, and transformative power is at work for you, in you, and through you today and always. Receive it. Praise God and share His never-ending love with others.

PRAYER WALL

Stop by our prayer wall and leave a prayer for others to offer with you or to pray for those already posted.

Elderberries July Event

The next Elderberries program and meal will be July 5th from 11:30am - 1pm in the Great Hall. Registration cut off date for Elderberries will be Friday, JUNE 30, due to the church being closed on Tuesday, July 4! We'll enjoy musical entertainment by Thomas Karunas and then a delicious meal grilled by Chef David!

The July cookout menu is: cheeseburgers on pretzel buns, potato salad, baked beans, watermelon and an ice cream bar!

Let's Change the World!

We can do it! We can change the world by showing compassion and loving kindness. This is our VBS theme for this year.

VBS will be July 10-13, Monday through Thursday mornings from 9-12noon at church. Children entering kindergarten through those entering sixth grade are invited to join us.

It's time to register now. Registration deadline is July 1. Here are three options to register:

- Complete a paper registration form and return it to the church office.
- Register online: <https://cccdisciples.shelbnextchms.com/external/form/724a56d1-5ee7-416b-8f38-fa4d74353298>
- Text to register: "VBS2023" to 217-212-2173

We hope you will join us at VBS for fun and learning more about how to change the world with compassion and loving kindness. Contact Pastor Vicky with questions.

Save the Dates!

July 15 - noon to 3:00 pm

Neighborhood picnic at the church - bounce house, BBQ, our praise band, games and more! A great time to meet other members and friends of the church as well as our neighbors.

July 22 - 6:00 to 7:00 pm

An Evening of Speed-Tasting - a fun way of "getting to know you," brief conversations to meet new friends and share one another's stories. There will be wonderful desserts! And it's just an hour.



Wifi= CCCGuest
No password
needed.

Are you interested in joining Central?

The only thing required to be a member of Central Christian is having faith in Jesus Christ. If you are moved during the service to confess your faith, or transfer your membership to Central, simply come up to the minister at the communion table **during the communion time**. If you wish to talk with a minister more about membership, simply let Pastor Vicky or Pastor Scott know after worship.

Luke 4:16-21; 28-30 NRSVUE

¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

A Prayer for Sabbatical – One God, One Church

God of Oneness,

In this time of sabbatical, may we rest in you, finding quiet that connects us with you in deeper ways.

May we be present to you with open hearts and minds, trusting you to show us the way to peace.

May we be present to one another with gentleness and understanding, seeking to be more loving and authentic.

May we hold Michael in our love and prayers, that he may commune with you, O God, and find what you have already prepared for him to receive.

May our time of distance be one of renewed commitment to our shared ministry.

We pray with thanksgiving and hope, in Your holy name.

Amen.

Responsive Reading

Leader: The Spirit of God is upon us.

People: We are called to be God's people.

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People: We are called to be the body of Christ.

Leader: The Spirit of God is bold in us.

People: To serve others with God’s life-changing love. We are

Grateful to worship God together today!

Serving Today

Elder- Karen Wade

Deacon- Angie & Ron Ingram

Greeter- Andy & Theresa Fulk

Liturgist- Greg Barnes

Snacks- Susie Turner

Serving Next Sunday, 6/25

Elder- Jeannie Backes

Deacon- Rod & Laurie Damery

Greeter- Randy & Deb Trei

Liturgist- Travis Wilcoxon

Snacks- Randy & Deb Trei