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# REBOOT



Central Christian Church

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

September 3, 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.

### SCRIPTURE CARDS

Feel free to read and take one of the Scripture cards with you. You are encouraged to place it where you will see it throughout your week as a reminder of God's message for you.

### PRAYER WALL

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



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No password  
needed.

## Northeast Food Pantry Drive

The next food collection for the Northeast food pantry will be on Sunday, September 3rd.

Cereal, canned fruits & vegetables, canned meat, & soup are always good contributions. The shopping cart to place donated goods is located in the Connection Café. Thank you for your support.

## Children's Sunday School News

We will be moving back upstairs on September 10 for Sunday School. We're excited for you to see the changes that have been made. We have added a NEW Sunday School room for our 3rd-6th graders (Room 340), and redecorated the Rainbow Room (Room 320) for our 4 year olds - 2nd graders. Families, please watch for an email with more details. Thanks to ALL of the volunteers who worked with the children this summer to provide a great experience in Sunday School!

## Elderberries September Event

We want to celebrate ALL seniors with the Elderberries lunch on Wednesday, September 13, starting at 11:30am. We'll enjoy playing bingo games with prizes and then share a home cooked meal together. The menu includes: pulled pork on Texas toast, macaroni & cheese, green beans and apple pie with ice cream!

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by September 7th by calling the office or signing up at the Welcome Center or in the Great Hall.

## "Back to THE BOOK" with Dorcas Disciples!

All Central women are invited to "kick off" the 2023-24 program year on Tuesday, September 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. Enjoy refreshments while playing a group Bible trivia game and learn about Dorcas' upcoming events. Bring suggestions for the annual Christmas donation. RSVP by Friday, September 15th to Nancy Ellen Taylor at 217-872-9174 or xstr@sbcglobal.net to make sure we have enough goodies. Contact Sandy Garver at 217-877-0800/217-454-2111 or revrag@comcast.net for more information about Dorcas Disciples. Hope to see you September 19th!

## 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.

Worship Extras**Genesis 32:22-30 NRSVUE**

<sup>22</sup> The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup> He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup> Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup> Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup> So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup> Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup> Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup> So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved."

"Changed by Faith"

- 1) Are you satisfied with where your relationships are with...
 

God?	Significant other (where applicable)?
Family / friends?	Work / activities?
  
- 2) If not, what kind of relationship do you want to have with...
 

God?	Significant other?
Family / friends?	Work / activities?
  
- 3) What could you change about yourself in order to have that kind of relationship?
 

Change about what you do around them?

Change about what you think about them?

Responsive Reading

Leader: Jacob wrestled with God all night long.

**People: We worship a God who is with us in the midst of life's struggles.**

Leader: Jacob longed to receive a blessing from God.

**People: We believe in a God who can reconcile the divided and overcome our separation from one another.**

Leader: Jacob was changed by God when he stood face to face with God.

**People: We come to be changed by God as well, so that our faith is increased as Jacob's was.**

Serving Today

Elder - David Wagner  
 Deacon - Steve & Marci Baumann  
 Greeter - Steve & Marci Baumann  
 Liturgist - Marci Baumann  
 Snacks - Steve & Marci Baumann

Serving Next Sunday, 9/10

Elder - Brett Swallow  
 Deacon - Angie & Ron Ingram  
 Greeter - Cheryl & Dave Zollinger  
 Liturgist - Travis Wilcoxen  
 Snacks - Angie Horvath