

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

January 19, 2025, 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.



Wifi= CCCGuest (No password)

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Star Word Small Group

We want to invite you to be part of a special Epiphany Small Group led by Pastor Michael. This group will meet three (3) times in January and February and will be based on the Star Words we received in worship on January 12. Each session will be on a Thursday from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. in the Disciples room. Here's what you can expect:

January 23:

Bring the Star Word you selected. We'll enjoy some King Cake and Pastor Michael will explain how to get the most out of your Star Word experience in greater detail.

February 13:

As a small group, we will brainstorm different scripture passages that relate to each one of our Star Words. This exercise is meant to help each of us in dig deeper into scripture using the Star Word we have chosen.

February 27:

For the final session, we will share with one another what we have learned through our reflection on our Star Word. Oh... and we just might have more King Cake too!

January 26: Prayer for the Serving Year

As a new year gets underway, we also begin a new serving year in the congregation. It is the service provided by our many faithful volunteers that makes the ministries of Central what they are. In some cases, church leadership positions are changing, with new people stepping into new roles. While in other instances, church leaders are continuing in the positions they held in 2024. But it is important to recognize the leadership provided by all these volunteers within the context of worship. On **Sunday**, **January 26**, we will be doing just that with a *Prayer for the Serving Year*. We are asking all *outgoing* church leaders (those stepping *down* from their positions of leadership) as well as those who are *beginning* or *continuing* their position to attend the service of of their choice. During all three services, we will recognize and thank those outgoing leaders, and offer prayers for all the new and continuing leaders. Make sure to be in worship on January 26 to support all of our leaders at Central.

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 a pastor know after worship.

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Luke 3:21-22 NRSVUE

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*Responsive Reading

Leader: We gather here to worship you today, loving God.

People: May we be open to your Holy Spirit.

Leader: We come ready to receive the word you have for us.

People: May we be open to your Holy Spirit. Leader: We come ready to be transformed. People: May we be open to your Holy Spirit.

"Prayer is not asking for what you think you want, but asking to be changed in ways you can't imagine." Kathleen Norris

Notes:

Serving Today, 1/19

Elder – Tom Spry Deacon – Hugh & Linda Rowden Greeter – Ellen & Ryan Damery Liturgist – Greg Barnes Snacks – Ellen & Ryan Damery

Serving Next Sunday, 1/26

Elder – Angie Ingram Deacon – Ellen & Ryan Damery Greeter – Andy & Theresa Fulk Liturgist – Theresa Fulk Snacks – Susie Turner