



CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

March 23, 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.



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Generosity 101 – Orientation to Giving at Central

For the duration of Central's long and illustrious history in Decatur, we have been the recipients of tremendous generosity by our members. This has allowed us to undertake capital campaigns every three years, support the yearly special offerings of our denominational church, make possible projects through our memorial funds, and all the while maintain a healthy yearly operating budget to fund our many ministries. What a gift it is to be able to say all that! In recent years, we have gained more and more members who are new to many of these traditions and customs at Central. And whenever anyone gives any kind of offering to the church, we want to make sure it is done in a way that is meaningful to the giver, as well as to the church. If you would like to learn more about:

- *How our 3-year capital campaigns work and what they allow us to do...*
- *How our memorial funds are used to promote the church's ministries...*
- *How we give 10% of all our received offerings to outreach and where that outreach goes...*
- *How all this relates to our annual operating budget...*

We would like to invite you to a seminar called **Generosity 101 – An Orientation to Giving at Central**. On Thursday, April 3, from 5 – 6 p.m., Pastor Michael and representatives from the financial office will provide materials and answer any questions you might have. Everyone is welcome, but we do ask you to RSVP so that we can have enough materials for everyone. Contact the church office to reserve your place (central@cccdisiples.org).



Join Our Families at the Children's Museum of Illinois!

Central families are invited to join us at the Children's Museum for an afternoon of fun on Sunday, March 23, from 1-3pm. Central will pay for your family's admission, but if you already have a membership to the Museum, please let us know. Come have fun with other Central families – and there will be snacks.

Are you interested in joining Central?

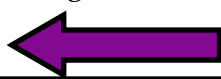
The only thing required to be a member of Central Christian is having faith in Jesus Christ. If you are moved during the service to confess your faith, or transfer your membership to Central, simply come up to the minister at the communion table **during the communion time**. If you wish to talk with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

Matthew 13:24-30 NRSVUE

²⁴ He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸ He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' "

Notes:

Use this QR code to learn more about a spiritual exercise you can do using the image above.



Enjoy The Music



Click on the QR Code to follow the latest C3 Praise Band Set List

Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

Serving Today, 3/23

Elder – Theresa Fulk
Deacon – Laura Kappler
Greeter – Andy & Theresa Fulk
Liturgist – Marci Baumann
Snacks – Laura Kappler

Serving Next Sunday, 3/30

Elder – Linda Rowden
Deacon – Marci & Steve Baumann
Greeter – Cheryl & Dave Zollinger
Liturgist – Cheryl Zollinger
Snacks – Susie Turner