



Epiphany - January 4, 2026
Central Christian Church

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

January 4, 2026, 9:15 AM
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Star Word cards

Make sure you pick up a Star Word card at the back of the Great Hall this morning (if desired) to help with your reflection throughout the year.

Food Donations for Northeast Community Fund

Thank you for your generous support of the Grocery Cart. On December 9, 2025, 252 pounds of nonperishable food items were delivered to the Northeast Food Pantry. Our next collection date is **TODAY!** Let's start the new year by over flowing the cart with nonperishable items to help our neighbors and community members who may have limited or uncertain access to safe and adequate food.

Here are some suggestions: soup, fruit cups, dried fruit, chili, nuts, rice, canned and pouches of chicken and tuna, boxed rice items, ramen noodles, boxed potato items, snack crackers, pancake mix that only requires water, pancake syrup, canned vegetables, individual apple sauce, and cereal. Of course, these are just suggestions. Be sure to check the expiration date. It is also a good idea not to donate items in glass packaging.

Look for the shopping cart in the Connection Café. Thank You!

A Central Winter Tea

Central will be hosting a Winter Tea for all women and girls on Saturday, January 24 at 2pm, in the Great Hall.

Come and bring friends and family for an afternoon of sipping tea/coffee (milk and cider) and enjoying tasty treats. You are welcome to bring a tea or coffee cup/mug and/or a small memento to share a story with us if you would like. Please RSVP by signing up at church by January 19. You may also call the church office to RSVP (217-428-4336).



About our service:

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. Deposit your offering in the box on the north wall behind the worship area or text 217-212-2173 for text-to-give or visit www.cccdisciples.org to give online.

MEDITATION TABLE:

STONES & VASE

Stones represent 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

Take one with you as a reminder that Jesus loves you unconditionally.

SCRIPTURE CARDS

Take one and place it where you will see it throughout your week.

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)

Like & share us on Facebook!

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.

_____ Snack Person _____ Greeter _____ Liturgist _____ Announcement Reader

Yes, I would like to volunteer in the checked area(s) above.

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

- Snack Person- sets up & cleans up snacks for the service.
- Greeter- stands at the top of the stairs and greets people coming into the service.
- Liturgist- reads the Call to Worship and writes & reads the opening prayer.
- Announcement Reader- reads any important announcements that the pastors would like to have read.

----- Please tear this portion off and put in the provided basket -----

Matthew 2:1-12 NRSVUE

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi from the east came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star in the east and have come to pay him homage." ³**When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him, ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.** ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah,
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.' "

⁷**Then Herod secretly called for the magi and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."** ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out, and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen in the east, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹**On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.** ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.



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Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

Serving Today, 1/4

Elder - Tom Spry
Deacon - Hugh & Linda Rowden
Greeter - Andy & Theresa Fulk
Liturgist - Travis Wilcoxon
Snacks - Laura Kappler

Serving Next Sunday, 1/11

Elder - Linda Rowden
Deacon - Laura & Matt Moma
Greeter - Laura & Matt Moma
Liturgist - Greg Barnes
Snacks - Laura & Matt Moma