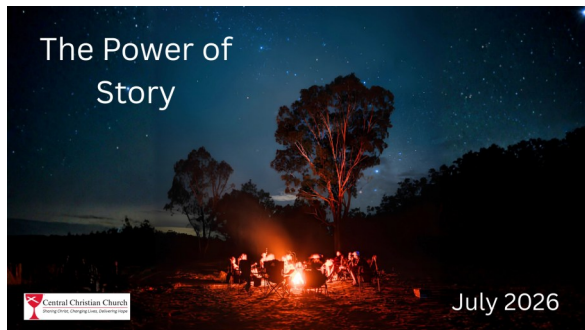




CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

July 19, 2026, 9:15 AM
Central Christian Church

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.

Join us for sweet treats and fellowship!

Ice Cream Social & Preschool Love Offering

When

- Sunday, July 26 after each worship service

Where

- The Connection Café (Near the church entrance)

What to Expect

- Several flavor choices
- Great conversation with your church family.
- Fun for all ages.

Bring your family, invite a friend, and stay after service to cool down and connect. We cannot wait to see you there!

A free will offering would be very much appreciated. The money collected will be given to our Preschool teachers in recognition of their years of dedication and service to the children that have attended preschool at Central Christian Church.



A New CCC Directory is Coming!

It's time! We've heard your feedback... It's been 7 years since the last directory, and we have had so many new members and regular attenders join us since 2019. You wanted a new directory, and Central is going to have one!

You can now sign up online –

- Go to the Universal Church Directories website (www.ucdir.com)
- Click on the red box on the right side of the homepage entitled "Photography Session Sign-Up"
- Enter the CCC church code (il487) & the CCC password (kdccc2026)
- Click "Enter"
- Click on the desired photography date
- Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time
- Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name
- If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:12 and 6:24)
- Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family's photography appointment
- Contact Kathleen in the office to change or cancel your photography appointment

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.



Wifi= CCCGuest
(No password)

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Matthew 2: 1-6, 8-9, 11-12, NRSVUE

¹ In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, magi from the east came to Jerusalem, ² asking, **"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, ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ **They 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.'** " [Micah 5:2, 4]

⁸ **Then 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."** ⁹ When 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.

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.** ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Questions for Reflection:

What does this story tell us about God/Jesus?

Tell a story about your search for meaning as a Christ-follower. How did you change?



Enjoy The Music



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

Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

Serving Today, 7/19

Elder - David York
Deacon - Angie & Ron Ingram
Greeter - Hugh & Linda Rowden
Liturgist - Greg Barnes
Snack Table - Laura Kappler

Serving Next Sunday, 7/26

Elder - Lea West
Deacon - Erik Barnes
Greeter - Cheryl & Dave Zollinger
Liturgist - Rev. Melinda
Snack Table - Cheryl & Dave Zollinger