

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

October 26, 2025, 9:15 AM

Central Christian Church

What to Expect at Central... November 2025

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.

All Saints Day - November 2

Send in pictures of any family member you've lost at any time in the past. We will include them in the slide show we will display throughout our building that day.

- Send a digital picture to <u>central@cccdisciples.org</u> (or bring a physical copy of the photograph by the church during office hours).
- Tell us the name of the person, their connection to you and their years of earthly life (e.g. 1935-1998)
- Deadline to submit a picture is Monday, October 27.

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Colorful Ways to Pray - October 28 and November 4

There are as many ways as there are stars in the sky and Rev. Melinda is pleased to offer two of those ways - on Tuesday, October 28th and November 4th. Sessions will meet in 411-412 and last from 1:00 – 2:15 p.m. October 28th will be focused on visio divina which is a way to pray by gazing at an illustration/or art. November 4th will be focused on praying in color – using colored pencils or markers. To hold your place at either session contact melinda.mcdonald@cccdisciples.org.

To help us prepare for Advent 2025, check out the following:

Incarnation - Small Group during November

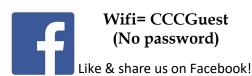
Every Sunday during November (2, 9, 16, 23, 30), Scott Woolridge will lead a small group called "Incarnation." It is based on Adam Hamilton's book of the same title. The group will meet in room 401 from 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Come for as many of the sessions as you can.

Email <u>central@cccdisciples.org</u> to sign up (RSVPs preferred) or with any questions you have. Purchasing Hamilton's book is suggested, but not necessary.

Advent Pre-Event - November 15

Rev. Melinda will facilitate a Pre-Advent Quiet Morning on Saturday, November 15th in the sanctuary from 9 am until 12:30 pm. This is great way to center your heart on the meaning of Christmas before the madness of holiday preparations begin.

Please contact <u>melinda.mcdonald@cccdisciples.org</u> to let us know if you are planning to attend.



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Luke 1:8-13 NRSVUE

⁸Once when he was serving as priest before God during his section's turn of duty, ⁹he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord to offer incense. ¹⁰Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. ¹¹Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. ¹²When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified, and fear overwhelmed him. ¹³But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John.

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."

Luke 10:38-42 NRSVUE

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Notes:



Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

Serving Today, 10/26

Elder – Gretchen Kirby Deacon – Hugh & Linda Rowden Greeter – Andy & Theresa Fulk Liturgist – Theresa Fulk Snacks – Susie Turner

Serving Next Sunday, 11/2

Elder – Jeannie Backes
Deacon – Ellen & Ryan Damery
Greeter – Ellen & Ryan Damery
Liturgist – Travis Wilcoxen
Snacks – Ellen & Ryan Damery