Letting Go Holding On

Nov. 9 - 23
Central Christian Church



CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

November 23, 2025, 9:15 AM

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A Central Christmas Tea

Central will be hosting a Christmas Tea for all women and girls on Saturday, Dec. 13 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 a Christmas memento to share a story



with us if you would like. Please RSVP by calling the church office (217-428-4336) or emailing: central@cccdisciples.org by Monday, Dec. 8.

About our service: Feel free to bring your coffee with 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. 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

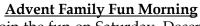
Take one with you as a reminder that Jesus loves you unconditionally.

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.



Come and join the fun on Saturday, December 6, from 9:30-11am. We will be hearing the Nativity story, creating our own Nativity scenes, and enjoying treats. It will be a time for your family to gather with other Central families, share stories and make new memories. It will be a time to reflect on God's gift of Jesus, that we celebrate at Christmas. This is an event for families of all ages.

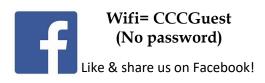


With the current government shutdown cutting – or at least reducing - the SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits provided to families and households, Central wants to do what we can to help those in our faith community who may be affected. If you, or someone you know connected with our church, has been compromised by the loss of SNAP benefits, we would like to know. Call the church office (217-428-4336) and we will put you in touch with one of our pastors. All information you share will be held in confidence.

Help get the word out! This website helps people find food: https://eat-move-save.extension.illinois.edu/#food-finder

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 21:5-19 NRSVUE

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 6 "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." 7 They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" 8 And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. 9"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." 10 Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; 11 there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. 12 "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, 15 for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Notes:



Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

Serving Today, 11/23

Elder - Brett Swallow Deacon - Marci & Steve Baumann Greeter - Marci & Steve Baumann Liturgist - Marci Baumann Snacks - Marci & Steve Baumann

Serving Next Sunday, 11/30

Elder - Theresa Fulk Deacon - Deb & Randy Trei Greeter - Deb & Randy Trei Liturgist - Greg Barnes Snacks - Deb & Randy Trei