

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

November 30, 2025, 9:15 AM

Central Christian Church

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.

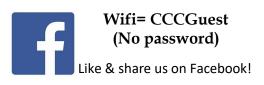


With the current government shutdown cutting – or at least reducing - the SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits provided to families and households, Central wants to do what we can to help those in our faith community who may be affected. If you, or someone you know connected with 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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Isaiah 7:10-14 NRSVUE

¹⁰ Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, ¹¹ "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." ¹² But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test." ¹³ Then Isaiah said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals that you weary my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son and shall name him Immanuel.

First Sunday of Advent, 11/30

Leader: Awake! Awake!

People: Light breaks into our darkness.

Leader: The night is nearly over. **People: The day is almost here.**

Leader: Awake! Awake!

People: Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Leader: We light this first candle of Advent – the candle of HOPE - to remind us that God is our source of hope, allowing us to see clearly and navigate the world more safely.

(lighting of the first candle)

Leader: Let us pray, O God of dawn and awakening, we come to you from the shadows of uncertainty and the long night waiting; from moments when joy feels distant and from places where peace feels like a memory.

People: Shine into our doubt. Scatter our shadows. Kindle the hope that flickers within, and with your spirit, bring it to life.

Leader: In your name we pray,

All: Amen.



Jesus Loves, Jesus Saves

Serving Today, 11/30

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

Serving Next Sunday, 12/7

Elder – Gail Prince
Deacon – Laura & Matt Moma
Greeter – Laura & Matt Moma
Liturgist – Cheryl Zollinger
Snacks – Laura & Matt Moma