EDUCATION MINISTRY – Acts 2:42a
Elder: Bob Young
Servant: Merrill Howard

YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Patrick Lankford

April 28th-Brief Bible Bowl parents meeting after morning services.
April 28th-VBS Committee meeting at 5 PM in the library.
May 1st- Deadline for parents of high school seniors to submit the answers to their questionnaire & pictures for senior night. http://bit.ly/seniorform
May 5th- High School Senior ice-cream social. Sign up sheet for ice cream & toppings is in foyer.

Bible Bowl-Practice begins on May 5th, studying Acts (NKJV).

Cards for College students- Deadline to turn in cards-May 1st. We will be sending cards to our college students before finals. Current college students are: Madison Qualls, Tyler Qualls, Alex Lewis, Makenna Cravens, Hannah Howard, Caelyn Officer, Andrew Webb. Box is in lobby.

WEDNESDAY PM CLASSES

GATHERING TIMES

SUNDAY
Life Care 8:00 a.m.
Classes 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Primetime 10:30 a.m.
Devotional & Classes 6:30 p.m.

WORSHIP MINISTRY – Acts 2:42c
Elder: Les Tubb
Servant: Will England
April 21st, 2019

Gathering Coordinator: Craig Lynn
Song Leader: Patrick Lankford
Usher: John Smith & Ronald Allison
Welcome, Announcements and Prayer of Praise: Russ Hale
Song: 390 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Song: 560 Living By Faith
Song: 781 Thank You, Lord
Song: All The Way My Savior Leads Me

Scripture Reading: John 6:35-39 - Will England
Lesson: “Lord’s Prayer: Bread of the Best Kind” by Topher Wiles
Song: All Things are Ready
Song: The Lord’s Supper
Lord’s Supper Meditation: Les Tubb
Serving: (North) Jeff Haston, Tommy Crosslin, Mike O’Neal (South) Rodney Baker, Ben Gardner, Jimmy Wallace

Giving of our Gifts and Offering: Les Tubb
Song: 779 I Love You Lord
Shepherd’s Thoughts & Prayer: Bob Young
Nursery: Carol Allison & Patti Ross
Greeters for April: Debbie Foster, Judy McDonald & Gail Webb
Sunday Evening Service: 6pm

Sermon: “SOTP: Keep Your Enemies Close?” – Topher
Song Leader: Patrick Lankford

Scripture Reading: Luke 6:27-31 - Gabriel Wiles
Prayers: Merrill Howard & Ty Webb
Communion: Will England

Wednesday Night Prayer (24th) – Russ Hale

SERMON NOTES

Have you got suggestions for a sermon series? We have room in our message calendar for your input! Email Topher at topherwiles@spartacoc.com

SERMON WORD SEARCH: The Best Bread!

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Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall never hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. But to you that have seen me and yet do not believe, *All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. *For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. – John 6:35-38

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What do cereal boxes, bank accounts, and toilet paper rolls all have in common? They are all disappointing when you find them empty! We’ll never forget that moment we reached into the pantry to have our hunger thwarted, when we realized we overspent an empty bank account resulting in extra fees, or that fateful moment in the bathroom stall. That same emotional disappointment is what my 5 year old Micah felt at a recent Easter Egg Hunt because of emptiness.

As a dutiful dad attending to my tiny tot at Central Church of Christ’s egg hunt, I worked diligently at pointing out all the stray eggs in the grass that older kids missed, or so I thought. After ensuring the little kids area was cleared, we strayed toward the big kids side and were surprised to find so many eggs left in the tall grasses in the middle of the yard. I understand that sometimes our older kids’ hunting practices are all disappointing. Many of Micah’s eggs were empty! Some older kid was immediately eating the chocolate and then snapping the eggs closed and dropping them for an unsuspecting hunter! The thought gave me a giggle but gave my 5 year old a frown.

Emptiness hurts. Many of us have experienced that truth the hard way in life. God knows that empty people will disappoint us as well when he warns of the following empty things.

- “Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.” – Ephesians 5:6
- “Three times a year all your males shall appear before the Lord your God in the place He chooses … they shall not appear before the Lord empty-handed, every man shall give as he is able.” – Deuteronomy 16:16-17
- “For an emptiness-headed man will be wise… when a donkey’s colt is born a man. – Job 11:12

Yet there is one empty item in which we can rejoice, and because of it we don’t have to be disappointed by emptiness any more. The empty tomb of Jesus Christ changes our perspective. We rejoice with Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James as they reached the tomb with spices and anointing oils only to find no body inside (Luke 23:55). We praise God for the angel who rolled back the stone and said, “He is not here, for he has risen, as he said.” (Matthew 28:6) We marvel along with Peter as he “rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, saw the linen cloths by themselves.” (Luke 24:12) Paul praised the emptiness of the tomb when he said “If Christ’s tomb is not empty, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty!” (1 Corinthians 15:14) We exult in the Lord Most High that finally, we can find peace and joy in something that was empty: the empty tomb of Jesus!

April 22nd – Men’s Ministry – Guys N Gloves Day – Daniel Zahr Birthday with WCHS Warriors Baseball at 6pm. Men’s Ministry from Central gets in for free. Just bring your bulletin and show it at the gate!

April 25th – Primetime trip to Wynnewood Historic Site in Castalian Springs. Leaving at 8:30 a.m.


April 28th – First Steps Graduation in the Central Church auditorium. Please check the sign up sheet in the foyer for food for the graduation.

May 19th – Church Trip to the Chattanooga Farmers Market. Will leave immediately after morning services. See Jimmy Wallace for more details. This is for anyone who wants to go. Sign up sheet in foyer.

*We congratulate Lindsey Yoder, daughter of Mike & Vanessa O’Neal who will receive her Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry-Molecular Biology on May 9th, 2019 at the Thompson Boiling Arena at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. (Invitation is in news case in the hallway.) We wish both of them much success as they will start their new life in Seattle Washington next week.