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Worship and Service Opportunities

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Classic Service
6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

CBC Staff

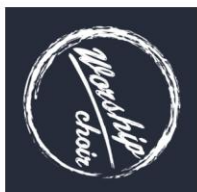
Ryan Thurman	Pastor
Randy Carruth	Minister of Music
Jake Smith	Minister of Students
Teresa Britt	Secretary
Cindy Callender	Custodian

WEDNESDAY

NIGHT ACTIVITIES RESUME

Classic Service

August 5
at 6:00 p.m.





Sunday,
August 9

High
Attendance
Sunday



Blessing
of the
Backpacks

Sunday,
August 9



Sunday School Picture Day

Sunday, August 9



SCHOOL NOTES

Information is in the foyer.

Deadline is
August 9th!







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The Message

A monthly publication of Central Baptist Church

Communicating the Vision

“Did I not say to you, if you believe, you will see the glory of God?” John 11:40

Ryan Thurman
Pastor

Welcome to a new church year! I hope that each of you had a great summer and are looking forward to a wonderful fall season! I know I am ready for some cooler weather!!! As the summer break is coming to a close and schools resume classes, we are gearing up for a busy and, prayerfully, God-blessed season at Central!

One of the things we are all anticipating is the conclusion of the construction on the FLC! Even though this project has taken a bit longer than we thought, the wait will all be worth it! God is going to use this new building as a wonderful tool of ministry for years to come! Continue to pray for all the work and that this building will be filled with the glory of God!

With the start of the new church year, we look forward to several exciting events taking place! On August 9, we will have High Attendance Day in Sunday school, Class Picture Day, and the Blessing of the Backpacks for our children, youth and teacher in the

morning worship. This will be a wonderful day in the house of the Lord! Make plans to be in God's house that day as we worship the Lord.

Our Operation Christmas Child shoebox mission continues this month. Currently we have 198 boxes sponsored! Keep filling those shoeboxes and let's see God bless children all over the world this Christmas! Another mission opportunity that we will begin is the promotion of the annual Margaret Lackey State Mission offering. This offering supports state mission efforts right here in Mississippi such as disaster relief, Central Hills RA camp and Camp Garaywa. Pray about your participation in this offering.

This month, I will begin a new preaching series entitled, The Armor of God. I pray this series revives our hearts in the Lord and challenges each of us to live each and every day equipped to win the spiritual battles of life. Pray that God leads me in this sermon preparation!

As our new church year begins, we have seen ministry areas growing all throughout the church. Bro. Jake is leading to the growth among our students. Our children's committee continues to minister to the increase in all areas of our children's ministry with wonderful plans for the fall. Our senior adult ministry has already completed next year's monthly meetings. Bro. Randy has already prepared plans for the fall with new music and even preparations for Christmas! And our Brotherhood and WMU/SALT groups are actively planning mission opportunities to engage in.

As you can see, GOD IS BLESSING CENTRAL! Now is the time to tell someone about what God is doing! We are seeing new faces visit and join. Keep praying for this spiritual and numerical growth and be engaged, encouraged, and excited about the Lord at work and let's continue to advance the Kingdom of God!

A Word From Our Deacons

“For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.” 1 Timothy 3:13

Joe Price
Deacon

“Let us not grow weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.”
Galatians 6:9

Church growth is and should always be in the forefront of our thought process, but at the same time, our true purpose on earth is to lead as many as possible to salvation. How do we accomplish this?

- 1) Consistent Prayer
- 2) Steadfast Service
- 3) Hopeful Perseverance
- 4) Welcoming Hearts

God is working within Central

Kingdom Investment...

“But just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you excel in this grace of giving.” 2 Corinthians 8:7

Budget

Required Monthly
\$24,441.08
Required to Date
\$183,308.10
Received to Date
\$185,182.28
July Receipts
\$27,831.00

Bible Study Summary...

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as in the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

Hebrews 10:24-25		
7/5	SS Attendance	64
	Worship	85
7/12	SS Attendance	78
	Worship	99
7/19	SS Attendance	70
	Worship	99
7/26	SS Attendance	72
	Worship	103

Upcoming Events

- High Attendance Sunday, Class Picture Day, Backpack Blessing, Faith in Action (August 9)
- Young at Heart (August 27)
- Margaret Lackey (August 30)
- OCC Deadline (August 30)

Scripture
Memory Plan

"And just as
you want
men to do
to you, you
also do to
them
likewise"
Luke 6:31

Central's
Bible
Reading



Read the Bible through
in one year:

August 1-31

Ezra - Esther
Proverbs 1 - 17:28
Luke 13 - 20:26





Kids
Korner

Rachel Ard, Children's Committee

The Central Baptist Church Children's Program enjoyed a busy and exciting month of July filled with fellowship, creativity, and fun. Sixteen children traveled to Urban Air for a day at the trampoline park. The children had a wonderful time enjoying the many activities and spending the day together. Special thanks are extended to the owner of Urban Air for generously inviting the church children's group. Don Huber, Melanie Huber, Haley Mitchell, and Debbie Callender provided transportation for the children, who were also treated to Little Caesars pizza for lunch. The children also participated in a scrapbooking

activity led by Margaret Glass and Debbie Callender. Nine children attended and created their own individual scrapbook pages using tools and supplies provided by the church. They learned how to write notes and captions in their albums, arrange photographs and other items, and add decorative embellishments to personalize their work. Thank you to Mrs. Berenda Berry for providing us with lunch. Another highlight of the month was a swimming party hosted at the home of Shanna Gage. Approximately 12 children attended, and the pool party was a great success. During the gathering, Jessie

Claire White and Charlee Ard received special gifts recognizing their promotion from the children's program into the youth group. The children's next special event will be the Back-to-School Party on August 5. We look forward to another enjoyable opportunity for the children to gather, have fun, and celebrate together. We are grateful to everyone who volunteered, transported children, provided supplies, hosted activities, and helped make July such a memorable month for the children of Central Baptist Church.

Student
News



"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!" Psalm 127:3-5a

Jake Smith, Minister of Students

Hey church family! I hope you have had an amazing summer and although it is now coming to an end, that doesn't mean the fun has to. We still have lots of exciting things coming up this month. To start out, we have The Gathering at the Civic Center on August 5th for all the students coming back to school! It is always an amazing time for worship and putting the focus on Jesus during the school year. We also have Backpack Blessing day, High Attendance Sunday, and Sunday School picture day on August 9th. We

will be giving out school notes to students that day as an encouragement for them to have throughout the school year. We are also starting a new book study this month! We will be reading the book of Ecclesiastes starting August 12th and reading it chapter by chapter to understand the wisdom of Solomon and how that can be applied in our lives and how it all relates to Jesus! I am so excited to see what the Lord is going to do this year in our schools and although school may seem like an end to

the summer fun, it is also a beginning to a new school year that is full of new memories, experiences, and friendships. I want to challenge every student to view their school as a mission field for telling others about Christ. We are called to make disciples everywhere we go, but it starts where we are standing. "but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and Samaria, and as far as the remotest part of the earth" Acts 1:8

Music Notes



"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." Colossians 3:16

Randy Carruth, Minister of Music

We enter a new church with great anticipation of what the Lord is going to do through the Music/Audio/Video ministry. New equipment has been installed in the worship center that has greatly improved our system. Soon we will be streaming our services live and, I believe, that this will be a tremendous ministry tool for reaching out to our community. Preparations for Christmas music will begin soon. Find your place of service in this ministry and let's continue to make His praise glorious.

CBC Mission
Opportunities

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20



Operation Christmas
Child Shoeboxes

Return Deadline
Sunday, August 30

Shoebox Dedication
Sunday, November 8

We have 198
Boxes Sponsored

August 30 - September 27



Calendar of Activities and Events

Sundays in August
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship

Monday, August 10
10:00 a.m. - Faith in Action meeting

Wednesday, August 5
6:30 The Gathering at the Lincoln Civic Center

Sunday, August 30
8:00 a.m. - Deacon's Meeting
9:30 a.m. - High Attendance Sunday
Sunday School Class Picture Day
Backpack Blessing

Wednesday, August 5
6:30 The Gathering at the Lincoln Civic Center

Sunday, August 30
Operation Christmas Child Deadline
Margaret Lackey Missions begins



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Announcements

Christian Sympathy is extended to:
The family of Harold Smith
The family of Ann Goshen (sister of Roma Cliburn)
The family of Pat Courtney (mother of Regina Hebert)
The family of Marlene Hebert (mother of Mac Hebert)



Thank you so much for the meal you provided after our loved one's funeral. Thank you especially for the prayers during such a difficult journey. Your kindness means more than you know. We appreciate your continued prayers as we adjust to our new normal. With Love, The family of Harold Smith

Thank you, Central Baptist Church, for your prayers and phone calls. The meal you furnished the day of Harold's Funeral was so nice. Please continue praying for our family. Harold Smith Family

Dear Church Family, Mac and I would like to express our sincere gratitude for all the love and thoughtfulness shown to us during the recent loss of Mac's mom, Marlene Hebert and my mom, Pat Courtney. Thank you for the texts, calls, cards, and prayers. We feel so blessed to belong to a church that is so thoughtful and caring. Your kindness helped so much during the loss of both our moms. We love all of you. Mac and Regina

Minister On Call

Ryan Thurman 601-248-5857

Deacons On Call

August 2
Larry Callender 601-757-9187
Jim Chambers 910-603-5118

August 9
Mike Grim 601-695-3280
Joe Price 601-320-2680

August 16
George Higdon 601-757-1823
William Kimble 601-754-5004

August 23
Larry Callender 601-757-9187
Jim Chambers 910-603-5118

August 30
Mike Grim 601-695-3280
Joe Price 601-320-2680

Nursery Workers

August 2
Shanna Gage & Rachel Ard

August 9
Debbie Callender & Gloria Sweatman

August 16
Haley Mitchell & Ashlyn Thurman

August 23
Olivia Gladden & Mitzie Stewart

August 30
Brenda Smith & Christi O'Neal

Ushers

August 2
David Gibson & John Daniel

August 9
Joe Price & Jason Falvey

August 16
George Higdon & Mike Goza

August 23
Danny Blake & Mitchell Bessonette

August 30
David Gibson & John Daniel

Security

August 2
Gary Myers

August 9
Larry Callender

August 16
Mac Hebert

August 23
Jason Falvey

August 30
Jim Jones