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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
6:00 p.m.	Children in Action
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

Central Baptist Church

Passionately advancing the kingdom of God

The Message

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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 for January
Required Monthly
\$24,441.08
Required to Date
\$24,441.08
Received to Date
\$18,539.15
January Receipts
\$18,539.15

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

1/4	SS Attendance	62
	Worship	84
1/8	SS Attendance	81
	Worship	90
1/15	SS Attendance	69
	Worship	74
1/22	SS Attendance	n/a
	Worship	n/a

Upcoming Events

- FLC Open House (February 1)
- Nursing Home Ministry (February 8, 15)
- Faith in Action (February 9)
- Cecil Hubard Scholarship Offering (February 22)
- Wild Game Supper (February 22)
- Young at Heart (February 26)

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

What a blessing it is to see the progress being made on the Family Life Center. This new facility will enable us more ministry opportunities and improve several of our current ministries, as well. Continue to pray for the progression of this vision and for God to get all the glory! And, thank you for your continued faithfulness to the Fellowship of Faith Capital Campaign that is funding this project! Your sacrificial giving, over and beyond the tithe, has enabled us to continue to pay cash for all the work that has been completed thus far!

With the month of February here, we look forward to hosting our annual Wild Game Supper on Feb. 22 at 6 p.m.! The hosts of

MS Outdoors Television, Amanda Jones and Kevin Meachum, will be our guest speakers. Our Men's Brotherhood will provide meat and bread. And, the church family will need to bring side dishes, additional meats, and desserts for your family and our guests. We expect a good attendance for this event!

Our raffle for the children's playground is going very well! Thank you for selling tickets and raising funds to provide our children with a new area of ministry! Continue to promote the raffle (separate from the Wild Game Supper) and sell as many tickets as we can!

During this month, we will receive the Cecil Hubbard Scholarship Offering on February 22. I have witnessed firsthand the lives that this scholarship

touches. This annual offering, unique to the Lincoln Baptists, is used to support those men and women who are furthering their training in SBC Colleges and Seminaries. I was a recipient of this scholarship and remember how it blessed me. Let's commit to supporting this offering and encouraging those who are following God's calling in their lives.

As February is the month where we celebrate Valentine's Day, let us remember that God has shown the greatest display of love the world has ever known. God spoke His love for you and then proved His love for you through Jesus. As we express our love for those in our lives this month, may we tell Jesus, "I love you!" and commit to following Him in faithfulness each and every day.

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

the builders labor in vain” (Psalm 127:1). Our progress is a testimony that God is truly at work among us.

One of the most exciting signs of this growth is watching young hearts of little children eagerly learning to serve God and our youth eager to learn, worship, and discover God's purpose for their lives. Investing in them is investing in the future of the church. We are blessed as we encourage them and rejoice in their growth.

As we move forward in this new year, let us do so with grateful hearts and a shared vision.

Together, we are a church that not only grows upward in faith but outward in love. May God bless every hand that gives, every child who learns, every Senior who shares wisdom and every step we take as a united family in Christ.

There is a unique strength that rises when God's people walk together in unity. It is more than agreement or shared goals, it is a

spiritual bond formed by love, humility, and a shared devotion to Christ. Unity is not accidental; it is cultivated through grace, patience, and a willingness to put others before ourselves.

Within our church family, this spirit of unity is becoming a powerful testimony. We see it in the way we pray for one another, serve side by side, and celebrate each other's victories. We see it in the way we rally around our ministries, support our children, our senior members and extend compassion to those in need.

As we continue to grow, may we guard this unity with intentional love and Christlike humility. When we stand together, we reflect the heart of Jesus to our community and to the world. When we walk in unity, we become a living example of God's kingdom; strong, vibrant, and full of hope. May God continue to richly bless Central Baptist Church!

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MS OUTDOORS

Wild Game Supper

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 6 P.M.

SPEAKERS

Amanda Mills Jones & Kevin Meacham

Hosts of the MS Outdoors TV show

A special outdoors raffle, with all proceeds to benefit the children's playground fund at Central Baptist Church, will conclude the event.

Raffle tickets are available for purchase, 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20.

Meat will be provided by the CBC Men's Brotherhood. Guests are asked to bring a covered dish or dessert.

Open to men and women, boys and girls.

Scripture Memory Plan

BECAUSE YOUR LOVE IS BETTER THAN LIFE, MY LIPS WILL GLORIFY YOU. I WILL PRAISE YOU AS LONG AS I LIVE, AND IN YOUR NAME I WILL LIFT UP MY HANDS. PSALM 63:3-4

Central's Bible Reading



Read the Bible through in one year:

February

Exodus - Leviticus
Psalms 24-47
Matthew 10:21 - 21:22
Acts 15:22 - 28:31

Happy Valentine's Day

NURSING HOME
MINISTRY

Sundays at 2:00 p.m.
Diversicare
Nursing Home

February 8 - WMU
February 15 - Children



Kids Korner

Rachel Ard
Children's Committee

January was a joyful and activity-filled month for the children of Central Baptist Church! Our group enjoyed a fun outing to Urban Air Trampoline Park in Jackson, Mississippi, where everyone had a great time jumping, laughing, and making memories together. Around ten children attended, and we are especially grateful to

"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

Lindsey Davis, Cindie Chambers, and Melanie Huber for serving as chaperones. We were also blessed by the generosity of the park's owner, who invited the children back for a future visit free of charge, with snacks and drinks to be purchased on site. The group wrapped up their time there with pizza before heading to Baskin-Robbins for a sweet ice cream treat.

In addition to our regular Wednesday lessons, the

children have been busy preparing special Valentine's cards for our nursing home friends at Diversicare. This heartfelt project has given them an opportunity to show kindness, creativity, and Christ's love to others in our community. We are so proud of their enthusiasm and servant hearts as they continue to grow in fellowship and faith.

Student News



Jake Smith
Minister of Students

Hey church family! I hope you all are doing well and surviving during these cold days. We have a lot of exciting plans scheduled as we approach this summer! With that being said, we have some deadlines you and your student need to remember.

Fuge camp deposit of \$75 is due February 1st. The second payment will be due April 5th. We are attending Fuge camp at Ridgecrest Conference Center in Ridgecrest, NC, from July 12th-July 17th. Ridgecrest is the largest Fuge Camp and you don't want to miss it! We have three more spots available on the bus, so if any of your students want to bring a friend, they are more than

welcome to join us! Make any checks payable to Central Baptist Church and turn in to either me or Mrs. Teresa.

Later in February, we have the Wild Game Supper. I want to encourage you to come out and be a part of that, as well! We will have special guests from Mississippi Wildlife and Outdoors joining us to speak that night and it will be a fun night of fellowship.

Lastly, I want to encourage all of you to be involved in the discipleship of our youth in the church. Giving an encouraging word to them as you pass them in the hall or even just telling them that you are praying for them can make a huge impact on their lives. The number one reason why youth that have grown up in

church decide to stay involved once they graduate is because they had at least five adults who invested in them while they were younger and showed care and compassion for them. I want to encourage you to be one of those five people for the youth here and Central because it is proven to make a difference, and this is a task that I cannot do on my own.

Matthew 9:37-38 "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into the harvest field."

"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

Music Notes



Randy Carruth
Minister of Music

The music ministry is off to a great start in the new year. We are excited about the new songs of worship that we are

preparing for Sunday's worship services. Preparations have begun for Easter when we celebrate the life, death, and glorious resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. I am thankful for all the

volunteers that help with the audio/video ministry. There's a place for you to get involved. If you would like to be a part of this ministry let me know and I'll help you find your place of service.

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



Cecil Hubbard Scholarship Offering

**Sunday,
February 22**



Calendar of Activities and Events

Sundays in February

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

Wednesdays in February

6:00 p.m. - Classic Service
6:00 p.m. - Children in Action
6:00 p.m. - Youth Bible Study
7:00 p.m. - Adult Worship Choir

Thursday, February 1

2:00 p.m. - FLC Open House

Sunday, February 8

2:00 p.m. - Nursing Home Ministry (WMU)
8:00 a.m. - Deacon's Meeting

Monday, February 9

11:00 a.m. - Faith in Action will meet at Poppa's Buffet.

Wednesday, February 11

Business Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Children's Valentine Party

Sunday, February 15

12:00p.m. - Children's Committee Meeting
2:00 p.m. - Nursing Home Ministry (Children)
6:00 p.m. - Worship Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 22

Cecil Hubbard Scholarship Offering
6:00 p.m. - Wild Game Supper

Thursday, February 26

Young at Heart will have Valentine's Bingo with Debbie Callender. Please bring a covered

YOUNG at HEART
SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

February 26, 2026

10:30 a.m.

Valentine's Bingo with Debbie Callender
(Central Baptist Church)

Pot Luck Lunch
Please bring a covered dish
for the meal.



Minister On Call

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Deacons On Call

February 1

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

February 8

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

February 15

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

February 22

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

Nursery Workers

February 1

Halley Mitchell & Ashlyn Thurman

February 8

Melea Coon & Mitzie Stewart

February 15

Brenda Smith & Christi O'Neal

February 22

Nan Clark & Leigh Ann Martin

Ushers

February 1

George Higdon & Mike Goza

February 8

Danny Blake & Mitchell Bessonette

February 15

Joe Price & Jason Falvey

February 22

David Gibson & John Daniel

Security

February 1

Bruce Smith

February 8

Joe Price

February 15

David Gibson

February 22

George Higdon