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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
\$48,882.16
Received to Date
\$49,135.08
February Receipts
\$30,531.97

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

2/1	SS Attendance	71
	Worship	84
2/8	SS Attendance	83
	Worship	93
2/15	SS Attendance	72
	Worship	79
2/22	SS Attendance	75
	Worship	93

Upcoming Events

- Daylight Savings Begins (March 8)
- Faith in Action (March 9)
- No Wednesday Activities (March 11)
- Brotherhood Breakfast (March 22)
- Young at Heart (March 26)
- Easter Egg Hunt (March 28)
- Easter Musical (March 29)

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 great night we recently had at our annual Wild Game Supper. Several of you have shared your enjoyment of the night and the turnout of over 150 folks was a blessing! Thank you to all who helped sell raffle tickets for the recent fundraiser to construct a new children's playground! Because of your hard work and the support of local businesses and individuals, we raised over \$16,000 to add with what we already have set aside for this project. I believe we will be able to pay for the playground in full with all that has been given and raised! Praise God for this blessing!

The FLC project continues to make progress! We have passed our initial inspection of “in wall” work and are now able to continue with insulation,

drywall, etc. Your continued financial support, through the Fellowship of Faith Capital Campaign, is enabling us to see this vision take place! Thank you for your sacrificial giving over and beyond the tithe! Let's keep it up and see how God will bless!

This month, we look forward to our Adult Choir Easter presentation, “Forever Free,” on Sunday, March 29th. This will be a wonderful day of celebrating the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus and looking forward to Easter Sunday the next week. Make plans to invite someone with you and come expecting a blessing!

I am enjoying preaching through our new series entitled, “Growing the Future,” as we focus on what it will take to see God continue to grow us as the body of Christ. It all begins in praying for growth! Have you made your spiritual prayer list

yet? Are you specifically praying for God to grow you and grow us? Are you making plans in how you will see this growth of God's church take place? God has great blessings in store for us. But, He expects us to labor in the harvest field to receive them! I am praying that this year and the years to come will be a season of exponential growth for the faith family of Central Baptist Church! And, I believe that it can and will happen when you and I give ourselves to working for the Lord Jesus according to His direction and will. So, don't sit on the sidelines and just come to church! Be the Church! Be the Church outside the four walls of our buildings and allow God to use each of us to expand our ministry and mission to passionately 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

Mike Grim
Deacon

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

This was just one of the verses I wrote on the stud wall in the Family Life Center. As I think back over the years that Camille and I have been at Central, so many faces go through my mind. Every face, every family, every child (who are now grown) has had such an impact on the life of this church! One day when we are worshiping before our Lord and Savior, we will realize He indeed had a plan for us!

Thinking back maybe 10 years ago in the conference

room, the deacons came together realizing we need a Family Life Center. Over the next several years there were many drawings and many changes in those drawings. I had no idea of the complexity of what it took to build a building the size to fit our needs and our ministry as a church. But by God's leadership and much prayer, He has brought us to where we are now. Starting with our pastor, there are many men in our church whom the Lord has blessed with the gift and knowledge of construction and legal formalities that go with it. Thank you, men, for your love for the Lord Jesus and His Church.

The response toward the raffle is unbelievable! Several thousand tickets were sold because people truly love

children. I wish everyone could have one, but I believe those who participated will be blessed. Thank you all so much!

The 2026 Wild Game Supper will be one for the record book! What a wonderful time we had together. Amanda Mills Jones and Kevin Meacham from Mississippi Outdoors did a fantastic program. We are indeed blessed to live in this great state!

I want to thank you again for the love and support you showed for our children with the money raised during our raffle. The amount of money that was given is overwhelming!

“May the Lord bless you and keep you.” Numbers 6:24

Read: Luke 6:38



Scripture Memory Plan

Hosea 6:3

Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

Central's Bible Reading



Read the Bible through in one year:

March

Numbers - Deuteronomy
Psalms 48-71
Matthew 21:23-28:20
Romans



Kids Korner

Haley Mitchell
Children's Committee

We are so excited about all the wonderful things happening in our children's ministry! God is moving, and it is such a blessing to watch our little ones grow in faith, friendship, and fun.

We had an amazing time spending time with the residents at Diversicare. The children and Children's Committee shared God's word, made jewelry and shared cupcakes and juice. Smiles and stories were shared. ♥

"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

Our fundraiser for the new church playground was an amazing turnout! Thank you to everyone who has already supported this vision. Every donation and every prayer brings us one step closer to making it a reality! This playground will create a safe and joyful space where our children can build friendships, play, and make sweet memories together.

Mark your calendars!
Easter Egg Hunt – March 28
from 2:00–4:00 PM

We are planning an afternoon full of fun, laughter, and lots of eggs! Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for this exciting celebration. There will be treats, games, and plenty of smiles to go around.

We are so thankful for each family that makes our church community so special. Stay tuned for more updates and as always, thank you for supporting our Children's Ministry!

Student News



"You are the salt of the earth and the light of the world and a little bit of salt goes a long way and a little bit of light goes a long way and a little bit of righteousness goes a long way."
Matthew 5:13-16

Jake Smith
Minister of Students

Hey church family! It's March now and spring is right around the corner. I don't know about you, but I am ready for some warmer weather finally. We have so many awesome things happening this month that I want to share with you.

One of the things we are starting this month is, Who's Your One. This is a 30-Day prayer guide for each of the youth. The point of it is to pick one person you want to see come to faith or grow in their relationship with Jesus

and pray every day for that person for 30 days straight. As we focus on church growth, we need to start with prayer, and praying for the lost is a very effective way to grow the church.

We do have one event this month, The Gathering. This is a county-wide event that all the church Youth Groups in Lincoln County attend every semester. It will take place on March 18th at the Lincoln County Civic Center at 6:30 p.m. We will plan to leave the church at 6 p.m. on that Wednesday.

Thank you for your support for the youth in this

church, it is a great encouragement to see so many people willing to help and serve with these students. One thing I do ask, please be in prayer for all the youth and children in the church because they are the future of the church. This persistent prayer will not only grow the youth in the church numerically, but spiritually as well.



Music Notes



Randy Carruth
Minister of Music

The music ministry is working hard to be prepared to lead us in worship on Palm Sunday, March 29th, with a presentation of "Forever Free," a musical celebrating

the life, death, and glorious resurrection of Jesus and the freedom we can have because of His victory over death, hell, and the grave. We ask that you join us in praying for this special day of worship. Make plans to

be present and invite your friends and neighbors to come and worship with us.



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



Calendar of Activities and Events

Sundays in March

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

Wednesdays in March

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

Sunday, March 1

6:00 p.m. - Worship Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 8

Daylight Saving Begins

Tuesday, March 9

10:00 a.m. - Faith in Action meeting at the church.

Wednesday, March 11

No Wednesday Activities

Sunday, March 15

8:00 a.m. - Deacon's Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Worship Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 18

Business Meeting

Sunday, March 22

7:45 a.m. - Brotherhood Breakfast

Thursday, March 26

Young at Heart will go to Natchez on a sightseeing tour. The bus leaves the church at 9:30 a.m. We will have lunch at Red Top Seafood Restaurant.

Friday, March 27

6:30 p.m. - Worship Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, March 28

2:00 p.m.. - Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 29

Easter Presentation "Forever Free"

Announcements

Christian Sympathy is extended to:

The family of Paula Ruth Reid (friend of Mike Grim)
The family of Penny Dilmore (sister of Pat Dunn)

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Cindy Callender on her fourteenth anniversary as Custodian. (March 1)

Notes:

There will be no activities on Wednesday, March 11, due to Spring Break.



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Deacons On Call

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

March 8
Larry Callender 601-757-9187
Jim Chambers 910-603-5118

March 15
Mike Grim 601-695-3280
Joe Price 601-320-2680

March 22
George Higdon 601-757-1823
William Kimble 601-754-5004

March 29
Larry Callender 601-757-9187
Jim Chambers 910-603-5118

Nursery Workers

March 1
Cheryl Myers & Amanda Thurman

March 8
Shanna Gage & Rachel Ard

March 15
Debbie Callender & Gloria Sweatman

March 22
Halley Mitchell & Ashlyn Thurman

March 29
Melea Coon & Mitzie Stewart

Ushers

March 1
George Higdon & Mike Goza

March 8
Danny Blake & Mitchell Bessonette

March 15
David Gibson & John Daniel

March 22
George Higdon & Mike Goza

March 29
Joe Price & Jason Falvey

Security

March 1
Chuck Price Gary Myers

March 15
Mac Hebert Jason Falvey

March 29
Jim Jones