



The Challenge

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Central Baptist Church, 14 West Broad, Newnan, GA 30263

SECOND SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
DECEMBER 9, 2018

Rev. Matt Sapp

SERMON

“The Gift of Peace”

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:68-79

Philippians 1:3-11

8:45 AM

Worship Service
Special Music
The Handbell Choir

9:45 AM

Sunday School

10:55 AM

Worship Service
Special Music
Angels We Have Heard on High
Were You There
The Youth Girls' Ensemble
The Handbell Choir

USHERS

8:45 AM

Raymond Walls, Captain

10:55 AM

Bud Freeburg, Captain

NURSERY

Available for children ages
birth– 3 years old

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Available Pre-K through K

WORSHIP CLASS

Becca Springfield

REST, Christmas Communion Service
Wednesday, December 5, 6:15 pm



Hanging of the Greens
Handbell Choirs and Girls' Ensemble
Sunday, December 9, 10:55 am service
(Handbell Choir will be playing in the 8:45 am and 10:55 am services)



OFFERING FOR
GLOBAL MISSIONS

Sunday, December 16

We will receive this annual offering
in the 8:45 am and 10:55 am services.

PASTOR'S PEN

Sharing the Gift of Hope

Last Sunday in worship we talked about Christmas as God's gift of hope to the world. For hundreds of years before Christ's arrival people waited expectantly on a messiah with the hope that God was coming to make things right in the world. People all around us still wait today for God to break into their lives in a way that makes a difference, but the only way they'll receive God's gift of hope this Christmas is if they hear it from us.

Here are two ways you can share the gift of hope at Central this year. First, you can invite your friends and neighbors to join you at Central this Christmas season. The easiest way to share God's message of hope is to bring people into God's presence so that they can experience the hope of Christmas themselves. We have three more Sundays before Christmas and two great worship opportunities on Christmas Eve (6 and 11 PM), and I know you have friends who would enjoy being with us at Central this season.

And second, you can include Central in your year-end giving plans. Your gifts at Central this December, both to our regular budget offering and to our Global Missions Offering on December 16th, have the chance to make an outsized impact on those who need God's gift of hope this year—both in our community and around the world. So as you consider how you'll direct your year-end contributions this year, I hope you'll remember our church.

Start praying now about how you can share God's hope this Christmas. And remember, I'll be praying for you as you do.

See you Sunday.

Matt

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Sunday, December 2, 2018

Weekly Budget Needs	\$	19,907.60
Budget Offering	\$	20,234.00
YTD Budget Needs	\$	955,564.60
YTD Budget Offering	\$	1,002,877.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE



Through December 2, 136 families have pledged \$7,775,390. Of those pledges, \$5,331,738 has been received.

MUSIC MINISTRY

YOUTH GIRLS' ENSEMBLE IN WORSHIP

Sunday, December 9, 10:55 am worship

*Rehearsal at 10:20 am in the Music Room

HANDBELLS IN WORSHIP

Sunday, December 9, 8:45 am and 10:55 am

CHILDREN'S CHOIR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Wednesday, December 12, 6:30 pm in Sanctuary

Rehearsal: 4:30 pm for Grades 1-5

6:00 pm for Pre-K and K and Grades 1-5
robe and rehearse

CHANCEL CHOIR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 16, 10:55 am

The Music Ministry Team is continuing to sponsor events in support of the Organ Replacement Fund.



Central Baptist Church to be featured on Newnan Christmas Tour of Homes

Friday, December 7th, 2018

4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Historic College-Temple Neighborhood

www.newnantourofhomes.com

Anne

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's activity/service schedule through 2018

December 5: Last choir rehearsal before Children's Program

December 9: Christmas in Coweta party (Connections Class)

December 12: Choir Practice— 4:30 pm (Grades 1-5)
Christmas dinner— 5:15 pm

Choir Practice— 6:00 pm Pre-K—K and Grades 1-5
robe and rehearse

Children's Christmas Program- 6:30 pm

December 24: Family Christmas Eve Service 6:00 pm

December 31: 10:00 am Worship Service only

January 9: Dinner and Regular Wednesday Activities resume

Blessings,

Katie

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Christmas Party
Sunday, December 9
6:00 pm—8:30 pm

Join us this Sunday night from 6-8:30 pm in the new Youth Room for our annual Youth Christmas Party and gift exchange.

We'll enjoy a Moe's taco bar with all the sides, and we will also do our annual "white elephant" gift exchange. Each student should bring a wrapped gift (\$10-\$15 max). Gag gifts are great but should also include a desirable gift along with any gag gift.

Steve

LOCAL MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Feeding Our Friends at Christmas

In past years our Feeding our Friends ministry has taken the two weeks around Christmas off from serving meals as many of our volunteers are out of town or with family. We understand that those who we are serving are still in need of a meal during this time so we would like to try something new this year. Although we will continue to take a break from deliveries we would like to give our families a basket of food that may help provide lunch for a few days during the break. Click [here](#) to access the sign up for the items we would like to provide in each basket. If you sign up to donate please be sure the items are delivered to the church no later than **Sunday, December 16th**. Also, if you like to help prepare/deliver the lunches and baskets on December 18th we would appreciate any extra help. We begin devotion/prayer time at 10:00 am, serving at 10:30 am and are usually done with our routes by 12:00 noon. If you have any questions you may call the church office at 770-683-0610.

Christmas Can Drive



FOOD DRIVE

As a way to further focus on the gifts of Christmas, there is no better way of giving the gift of hope, peace, joy and love than by feeding those in our community who are hungry. Each time we worship together during Advent, we invite you to bring canned goods and place them in the gift boxes under the tree. After Christmas, we will distribute the cans collected to the local food banks.

CENTRAL SENIORS



Bi-Monthly Breakfast
December 12, 2018, 9:00 am
Cracker Barrel
Second and Fourth

No need to make reservations; just show up at Cracker Barrel and enjoy the fellowship of your peers!

IN SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to Gil and Randa Reese in the death of Gil's father, Gilbert Reese, who passed away Tuesday, November 20, 2018.

Sympathy is extended to Katie Anderson in the death of her grandmother, Kit Dunaway, who passed away Monday, November 26, 2018.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2018

Please bring a side or dessert to enjoy with ham.

Dinner will begin at 5:15 pm

Children's Choirs final rehearsal

Grades 1—5 at 4:30 PM

Pre-K—K rehearsal and Grades 1—5

robe and rehearse at 6:00 pm

Children's Program at 6:30 pm

Mission Opportunity

Where: Dominican Republic

When: January 14-16

What: Visit school

Cost: \$650

Please call or email the church office 770-683-0610 or chaynes@centralbaptistnewnan.org if interested.

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, December 9

- 8:45 AM Worship Service
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:55 AM Worship Service
- 5:30 PM Angel Tree Distribution Party
- 6:00 PM Youth Christmas Party

Monday, December 10

- 7:15 AM Youth Prayer Breakfast
- 10:00 AM Needlepoint Guild

Tuesday, December 11

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Feeding Our Friends

Wednesday, December 12

- 9:00 AM Central Seniors Breakfast at Cracker Barrel
- 4:30 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal, Grades 1-5
- 5:15 PM Family Fellowship Supper:
Christmas Bring-A-Dish
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal, Pre-K—K and Grades 1-5 Robe and Rehearse
- 6:30 PM Children's Christmas Program
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Dec. 13— Tuesday, Dec. 18
Central Seniors Trip to Washington, D.C.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

December 2, 2018 Sunday School

Preschool	17
Children	32
Youth	17
Adults	<u>130</u>
Total	196

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Rev. Matt Sapp, Pastor
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