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# The Challenge

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

## THIS SUNDAY

View our 10:55 am worship service each Sunday live on our website or directly from YouTube.

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY November 5, 2023

#### SERMON

Rev. Matt Sapp  
"The Shepherd and the Lamb"

#### SCRIPTURE

Revelation 7:9-17  
1 John 3:1-3

#### 8:45 am

Worship Service  
Special Music  
Coleman Ryan

#### 9:45 am

Sunday School

#### 10:55 am

Worship Service  
Special Music  
*At the Name of Jesus*  
The Chancel Choir

#### Nursery

Available for children  
birth - three years



### Reminder:

Daylight Saving Time expires this Sunday, November 5, 2023. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour!

**Wednesday,  
November 1,  
6:00 pm**

*A midweek prayer and  
communion service*  
Scarborough Scholars,  
guest musicians



Please join us in remembrance of those saints in our congregation who have gone to be with the Lord this past year.

## REST

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November 5**

**8:45 am & 10:55 am  
Worship**

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**CBF**  
**GEORGIA**  
**State Gathering**  
**Central Baptist, Newnan**

**2023 CBFGA State Gathering:**  
**Central Baptist Church, Newnan**  
Sunday, November 12-Monday, November 13

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** November 6, 2023

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR THE SCHEDULE AND MORE DETAILS.

**To sign up for dinner only on Sunday, November 12,**  
**please call or [email](#) the church office.**  
**Cost of dinner is \$18/person.**

## Pastor's Pen

### De-Centering Ourselves

We often imagine ourselves at the center of things. On Sunday in worship we noticed how that was true in our explorations of the universe. For centuries we thought that the earth was at the center of the solar system. And we noticed how that was true in how we think about the world map. The maps we're most familiar with place our home in North America in a central location. And we noticed how that was true in our pursuit of holiness. Surely our own self-improvement ought to be the chief aim of that endeavor.

But we aren't at the center of the solar system, and plenty of perfectly good maps push the United States way off to the side, and our own self-improvement isn't at the center of what it means to be holy.

Scripture reminds us that holiness is a God-centered, "other"-directed enterprise. De-centering ourselves can be a bit disorienting, but it's worth it. Holiness is a reflection of God's character in our lives, and we best reflect God's character when love of neighbor is our primary aim. In this way, self-improvement is a by-product of that process rather than its primary goal.

That means we don't have to be the heroes of our own stories. We can let the God revealed in Jesus Christ have the role. And the story God will write for us when we approach holiness that way is far better than any story we would write for ourselves.

See you Sunday,

Matt

## Music Ministry

### CARNEGIE *Cabaret*

*Send our Choir  
to Carnegie Hall*

*A great time of songs & surprises!*

Central Baptist Church  
Fellowship Hall

November 15 • Dinner @ 5:15pm; Show @ 6:00pm



Thanksgiving  
Bring-A-Dish  
Wednesday,  
November 15  
5:15 pm

Please bring a side or dessert. The church will provide the meat. Thanks!

## The Angel Tree

The Angel Tree will be set up in the Fellowship Hall **Wednesday, November 15**. Please be sure to fill out your contact information on the sheet provided. Angel gifts (\$75-\$100 per child) need to be UNWRAPPED and LABELED with the information provided on the angel. Please return gifts to the church office no later than **Sunday, December 3**.





## Children's Ministry



### Fall Hayride

Sunday, November 5  
4:00 pm-6:00 pm

Join us for a fun family night at Pat and Julie Yancey's barn! We will have dinner, bonfire, fun activities, and of course a hayride! Just let us know who is coming below so we can have enough food and fun! Sign up [HERE!](#)

## Senior Adult Ministry

### Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country

Wednesday, Nov. 8,  
9:00 am



### Friday, Dec. 8

**\*Please note date change\***

Join us for dinner and a festive show at the Legacy Theatre. Tick-

ets are \$35 per person and should be paid to the church anytime before December 8. Space is still available if you'd like to join us. Call or [email](#) the church office if you are interested. Show will begin at 7:00 pm and our departure time from the church will be announced once dinner reservations are made.

## Women's Ministry

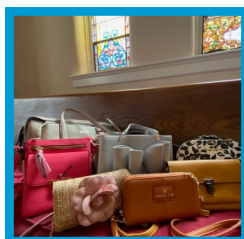
### Purses in the Pew

Monday, November 27,  
11:00 am

Javier Perez, CBF Director of Global Missions Programs and Impact

Reservations are appreciated for name tags; reservations are required for lunch (\$8).

Please click the link [here](#) to sign up!



## Youth Ministry

Be in prayer for our youth and chaperones this weekend as they attend the CBFGA Fall Youth Retreat at Camp Glisson. Pray for the Light of Christ to illuminate their lives!



Youth Fall Retreat  
**Illuminate**  
— your world  
Camp Glisson November 3-5

## In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Nancy Cothran in the death of her uncle, The Rt. Rev. Charlie F. McNutt, Jr., who passed away on Wednesday, October 25, 2023.



Thank you to everyone who donated items and helped pack toiletry bags for the Coweta Samaritan Clinic this past Sunday. We were able to pack 254 bags. It was a huge success because of all of your generosity and support!

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**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 NEWNAN, GEORGIA

## CHURCH STAFF

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## LOOKING AHEAD

### Sunday, November 5

8:45 am Worship Service  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 10:55 am Worship Service  
 5:00 pm NCYC Rehearsal

### Monday, November 6

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast  
 7:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

### Tuesday, November 7

7:00 am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00 am Feeding Our Friends  
 1:15 pm Ruth Drake Ladies Bible Study

### Wednesday, November 8

9:00 am Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country  
 5:15 pm WNS (Hamburger Steak)  
 5:45 pm K-5th Choir Rehearsals  
 6:00 pm PK4 Choir Rehearsal & Activity  
 6:00 pm Middle School Youth Group  
 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study  
 6:45 pm High School Youth Group  
 6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Stewardship Update

### Sunday, October 29, 2023

Weekly Budget Needs	\$26,950.33
Budget Offering	\$37,490.50
YTD Budget Needs	\$1,158,864.19
YTD Budget Offering	\$1,087,467.97