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THIS SUNDAY

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

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL PREACHING SERIES January 21, 2024

SERMON

Rev. Chuck Poole
"The Path to Depth is
Never Done "

SCRIPTURE

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Mark 1:14-20

8:30 am

Worship Service
St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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

Pictorial Directory Photos This Spring!



Mark your calendars! *The Portrait Café* will be here on Thursday, April 18-Tuesday, April 23 taking photos for our new pictorial directory. More information will be made available soon on how to sign up for a convenient time.

The Challenge

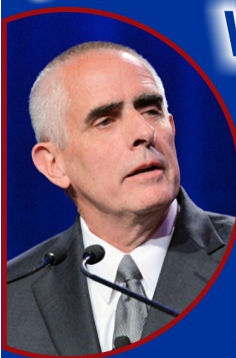
CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

You're invited to the...

2024

Winter Preaching Series Chuck Poole

featuring



During his 40-year career, Rev. Poole has served at the First Baptist Church of Christ in Macon, GA; First Baptist Church in Washington, DC; and Northminster Baptist Church in Jackson, MS. A 1977 graduate of Mercer University, Poole received a Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Seminary and an honorary doctorate from Mercer. He has been a visiting preacher and teacher at colleges and universities across the Southeast. In addition to publishing numerous articles, he is the author of eight books, including *Is Life Fair? Good Words for Hard Times* and *Don't Cry Past Tuesday: Hopeful Words for Difficult Days*.

SAT, JAN 20, 4:30 pm

Welcome Reception
Appetizers and Introductory Remarks



SUN, JAN 21, 8:30 am

Worship Service
and Communion



SUN, JAN 21, 10:55 am

Worship Service followed by
Lunch in the Fellowship Hall*



*For lunch reservations (\$10) and more information, please contact Courtney Haynes in the Central Baptist office (770-683-0610). Offerings and proceeds from the weekend will benefit Bridging the Gap.



Rise Against Hunger

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped us reach our goal of 40,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger. It wouldn't be possible without you!

Pastor's Pen

The Different Names for God

We'll be looking at the different names for God in the Old Testament this semester in Wednesday Night Bible Study. Theologian Walter Brueggemann reminds us that if we want to get our hands around any particular scripture text, one of the best places to start is by looking at the names/words used to describe God in the text.

Another way is to find the verbs. What is God doing in the text? For example, Genesis 1:1 begins, "In the beginning, God CREATED..." God's first identity in scripture is as creator. By one count there are as many as 967 names and titles for God in the Bible. We won't look at all of them! We'll just explore the most prominent ones in the Old Testament as we explore the scripture passages in which those names and titles appear.

As we explore the names together, I hope we'll discover just how multi-faceted the identity of God is as we remember that the totality of God's identity and presence is far beyond what we can comprehend. I hope it can also be an opportunity for us to see the Bible as a record of our evolving understanding of who God is as divine disclosure and human knowledge increased across the centuries and millennia. We might even discover that we still have more to learn—and that God continues to be revealed through our growing understanding even now.

I hope you'll join us on Wednesdays this semester. We meet this Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.

See you then.

Matt

New Members

Please welcome Bill and Kathleen Burchill, who joined Central Baptist Church on Sunday, January 14, by statement of faith.

Music Ministry

The Music Ministry is excited about this new year with wonderful opportunities to share God's love in a variety of ways...

Here are a few to put on your calendars:

Wednesday, Jan 17 – Children's Choirs rehearsals resume—5:45 pm-6:30 pm

Monday, Jan 22 – Handbell rehearsals resume—7:00 pm-8:00 pm—*email me saying you'll join!*

Friday, Feb 9-Sunday, Feb 11 – COMPOSER WEEKEND with Rosephanye Powell (Professor of Music at Auburn University)

Sunday, February 18 – Vestibule Series #6—STELLARUM (8-voice vocal group) 4:30 pm (Childcare will be provided during the concert only, no parents night out due to holiday week)

March 10 – ILLUMINARE Concert with Masterworks Chorale—2:30 pm at the Nixon Centre—(our Chancel Choir will join Masterworks Chorale with Ronnie conducting) Get your ticket at <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/thenixoncentre/5497/event/1337656>

April 12-16 – Chancel Choir to NYC/CARNEGIE HALL!

Gratefully,

Ronnie

Children's Ministry

PJ & Lock In Party



We are so excited to offer a pj and lock in party at Central Baptist Church! Get ready for an evening of fun and fellowship AND WEAR YOUR PJs! If your child is in 3rd-5th grade they are invited to SPEND THE NIGHT at the church! We will have Chick-fil-A for our PJ party, and snacks and breakfast for anyone staying for the lock in!

WHEN: Monday, February 19
PJ Party—5:30 pm-7:30 pm (Pre-K4—2nd grade)
Lock In—5:30 pm-8:00 am (3rd-5th grade)

COST: FREE!

To sign up, please click the link [HERE!](#)

Senior Adult Ministry



Friday, February 16

Join us for dinner and a festive show at the Legacy Theatre. Tickets are \$35 or less, depending on how many people attend. Call or email

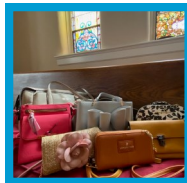
the church office if you are interested. Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 17, so we know how many spots to reserve. Please also let us know if you would like to ride the bus. We will leave the church at 4:30 pm. Dinner will be at 5:00 pm and the show will begin at 7:00 pm.

Women's Ministry

Purses in the Pew

Monday, January 22, 11:00 am

Dianne McNary, CBF Field Personnel, Poprad, Slovakia



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

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



Run for Angels and Chicken Q Saturday, February 3

The RUN FOR ANGELS has been our annual fundraiser

since its inception in 2003. All proceeds go to the operation of our shelter for teenage girls. Our course is certified as PEACHTREE ROAD RACE QUALIFIER, so the RUN FOR ANGELS is a highly respected and well-attended event attracting hundreds of participants from all over the southeast! We will also be having our annual Chicken Q beginning at 9:30 am that morning. Please join us for a plate containing chicken quarter, veggies, bread, drink and homemade dessert. Tickets are available on the run registration website [HERE](#).

If you would like to donate a dessert, please drop off at the First United Methodist Church from 12:00 pm-4:00 pm on Friday, February 2.

Youth Ministry

Youth Parent Ministry Team
Sunday, January 21, 5:00 pm

It's way past time to restart our Youth Parent Ministry Team! This group will look at our Youth Ministry calendar and plan ways to increase engagement of youth and parents in the coming year.

If you're interested, please feel free to contact Steve, or simply join us this Sunday at 5:00 pm in the Youth Room!



Winter Ski Retreat

Join us for fun and fellowship at Beech Mountain Ski Resort during Winter Break,

February 19-22, 2024. This is a great time to get away and grow as a youth group, so make plans now to join us! Sign up [HERE](#)!

Youth Fernraiser
Coming in February



The Fernraiser returns this year to help youth raise money for youth summer missions to Romania and Kentucky. Ferns are \$25 and are almost as HUGE as the HUGE impact you will make this summer! Youth earn \$10/fern towards their mission trip account.

Child Protection Training
Sunday, February 4



For ANYONE that volunteers with our children and youth. Our annual training will be held on Sunday, February 4 in the Fellowship Hall directly after worship. Please click the link [HERE](#) if you're able to attend. Lunch and childcare will be provided.

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, January 21

8:30 am Worship Service at St. Paul's
9:45 am Sunday School
10:55 am Worship Service
12:00 pm Luncheon Following Worship
5:00 pm NCYC Rehearsal

Monday, January 22

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast
11:00 am Purses in the Pew

Tuesday, January 23

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Feeding Our Friends
7:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 24

9:00 am Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country
5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper (Country Fried Steak)
5:45 pm K-5th Choir Rehearsals
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study
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

Friday, January 26-Sunday, January 28

Children's Retreat