

TUE 1-23-24

THIS SUNDAY

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

**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER THE EPIPHANY
COMMUNION
January 28, 2024**

SERMON

Rev. Matt Sapp
"Optimizing for the Right Things"

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Psalm 111

8:45 am

Worship Service
Special Music
Mr. Ethan Weaver

9:45 am

Sunday School

10:55 am

Worship Service
Special Music
This Day
The Chancel Choir

Nursery

Available for children
birth - three years

**Scout
Sunday,
February 4,
10:55 am
Worship**



Please join us for worship as we recognize our scouts, leaders, and Gold Award Girl Scouts and Eagle Scouts of all time.

Girl Scouts will wear normal Sunday dress and their vest or sash. Boy Scouts will wear their full uniform.

The Challenge

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Run for Angels and Chicken Q Saturday, February 3

Tickets are available on the run registration website [HERE](#). If you would like to donate a dessert, please drop it off at Newnan First United Methodist Church from 12:00 pm-4:00 pm on Friday, February 2.



GET READY FOR OUR CHURCH

★PICTORIAL DIRECTORY★

SIGN UP
TODAY!



Thursday, April 18-Saturday, April 20

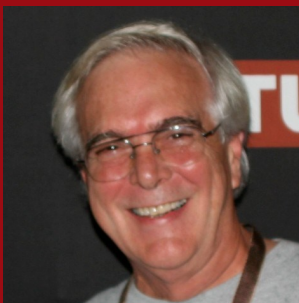
Sunday through Tuesday will be open IF the other dates fill up

Sign up for your family portrait today! Everyone who participates will receive a complimentary 8x10 professional portrait, one printed directory, smart phone app, and online directory access. All appointments are on a first-come, first-serve basis, so make your appointment today. We need everyone to participate to help make this directory complete. Additional quality family portraits will be offered at competitive prices. Thank you for your participation!

Please click [HERE](#) to make an appointment. If you would like to set an appointment by phone, please call: 1-877-896-9667 ext. 360.

If you need any other assistance, please call or [email](#) Courtney in the church office.

Thank You, Banks Glover



At the end of 2023 Banks Glover "retired" from more than 20 years of service with our A/V ministry team. A fixture on our sound board in the sanctuary, his presence will be sorely missed.

CBC member Gene Liverman interviewed Banks about his service. To hear the interview on Gene's podcast click the link [HERE](#). The Podcast is called "Volunteer Technologist" and the episode is called "Banks Glover on 20+ Years of Advancing Faith Through Technology" and can be listened to directly via the link above, or in any podcast app.

When you see Banks, take the opportunity to say thank you.

Pastor's Pen

Old Testament Names For God

What do we mean when we say the word "God"? And where do our ideas about who God is come from? These are the questions we began exploring last Wednesday and that we'll continue exploring into the spring during Wednesday Night Bible Study. As the Old Testament understanding of God was forming, the Hebrew people were surrounded by several ancient Near Eastern cultures. Egyptian ideas about God, Mesopotamian ideas about God, and Canaanite ideas about God provided the backdrop to divine revelation as God became increasingly manifest to the children of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

But even as the Hebrew people coalesced around the God revealed to Abraham, they continued to have their heads turned by competing gods of the Canaanite culture. And would you believe that the most successful and enticing cultural gods were the same gods that turn our heads today?

This Wednesday we'll talk about the Canaanite gods Baal and Asherah who show up over and over again in our Old Testament, and we'll talk about all that they represented and why they remained so prevalent. Here's a hint—we still worship at the altars of health, wealth, prosperity, and beauty today.

We'll also introduce the four primary names for God in the Old Testament—*Elohim*, *Jehovah*, *Yahweh*, and *Adonai*—and begin to look at the *Elohim* Creator God revealed in the first chapters of Genesis.

I'm excited about our Wednesday night study this semester. Join us if you can.

I'll see you then,

Matt

Salvation Army Food Drive

Help us Pack the Pantry for the Salvation Army! If you would like to donate any of the items listed below, please drop them off in the barrels provided at our main entrances.

Items Needed: Pasta sauce & noodles, mac & cheese, ramen, canned tuna, chicken, and salmon, soup, complete pancake mix & syrup, jelly, cornbread/muffin mix. ***The pantry is running low on peanut butter & boxed cereal.**



Music Ministry

WOW! Thank you to the Choir, Anne, and David for bringing us such meaningful music for our worship services! Our worship at Central is heightened and deepened because of you!

Our Children's Choirs, Chancel Choir, Newnan Community Youth Choir, and Handbell Choir are all off to a great start! We have plenty of room for anyone who wants to join the Music Ministry here at Central. Call or email me and tell me where you'd like to be!

Put reminders in your calendars about the following exciting opportunities to share God's love through music with our community:

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)

March 10 – ILLUMINARE Concert with Masterworks Chorale—2:30 pm (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

Women's Ministry



The Ruth Drake Ladies' Bible Study will resume Tuesday, February 6 and will meet each Tuesday for eight weeks. Rev. Jess Wilbanks is leading

our group again this year and we will be studying the books 1 and 2 of Thessalonians. For our first session on February 6, please read Chapter 1 of 1 Thessalonians.

Ladies Retreat 2024

Retreat Leader: Kendall Vanderslice

Theme: Edible Theology

Where: Serenbe

When: Thurs., August 22-Sat., August 24

Register [HERE!](#)

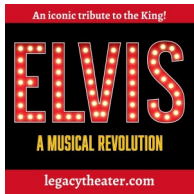


Senior Adult Ministry

Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country Resumes Wednesday, January 24.



Join us every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Town and Country. No need to make reservations; just show up and enjoy the fellowship of your peers!



Friday, February 16

Join us for dinner at Palmers and a show at the Legacy Theatre. Cost is \$35. Please RSVP by Thursday, January 25, by calling or [emailing](#) the church office.

Children's Ministry

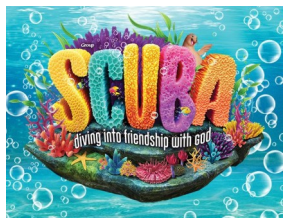
PJ & Lock In Party



WHEN: Mon., February 19
PJ Party—5:30 pm-7:30 pm (PK4-2nd grade)
Lock In—5:30 pm-8:00 am (3rd-5th grade)

COST: FREE!

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



VBS Scuba *New Date* June 3-6, 2024

Volunteers needed! We encourage you to take some time to pray about volunteering. This is one of the most influential weeks of the year for our children. It is very rewarding to spend a week with these children and be a big part of their Christian education. If you are interested, please contact [Katie](#).

Save the Date! Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, March 24, 4:00 pm

EASTER EGG HUNT



Youth Ministry

Join us for March Mission Madness on March 15-17, in Athens! This fun weekend retreat with other CBF churches involves worship, mission work, and lots of fun as we serve and play together. Cost is \$140 and includes meals, lodging, recreation, supplies, and a t-shirt!



Sign up today to reserve your spot! Click [HERE](#) to register.



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. Ordering information coming next week.

Child Protection Training Sunday, February 4



It's that time again! If you serve—or would like to serve—with our children or youth in:

- nursery
- Sunday School
- choir
- VBS
- trips, retreats, camps or ANYTHING

please join us for our mandatory child protection training on Sunday, Feb. 4, immediately following 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 28

8:45 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:55 am Worship Service
5:00 pm NCYC Rehearsal
6:15 pm Finance Meeting
7:00 pm Deacon's Meeting

Monday, January 29

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast
6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 30

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

Wednesday, January 31

5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper (BBQ)
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

Stewardship Update

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Weekly Budget Needs	\$28,766.02
Budget Offering	\$31,820.00
YTD Budget Needs	\$86,298.06
YTD Budget Offering	\$84,356.01