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The Challenge

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

THIS SUNDAY

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

The Baptism of Our Lord
January 11, 2026

SERMON

Rev. Ruth Perkins Lee
"Unknown Welcome"

SCRIPTURE

Acts 27:39-28:2

8:45 am

Worship Service
Special Music
Ronnie Oliver

9:45 am

Sunday School

10:55 am

Worship Service
Special Music
God So Loved
The Chancel Choir

Nursery

Available for children
birth-three years

Church Project Vote

January 18

We will hold a church conference at the conclusion of worship on Sunday, January 11, to discuss the proposed refurbishment of the pews and sanctuary. A congregational vote will take place the following Sunday, January 18.

In addition, there will be an opportunity to ask questions and receive further clarification at the beginning of Adult Bible Study on Wednesday, January 14.

Rise

AGAINST HUNGER

food • community • sustainability

Wednesday, January 7

All volunteers register [Here!](#)

Additionally, please fill out [THIS](#) form if you are volunteering during either of our dinner shifts and would like a Chick-fil-A meal.

Salvation Army Pack the Pantry Food Drive

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

Needed Items: Peanut butter (16 oz jar) and jelly, ravioli/spaghetti/beefaroni (pull top can or microwave container), pasta sauce (jar) and noodles (box), mac & cheese, cereal (regular size), canned fruit (pull top can or plastic cups), tuna, chicken, salmon (pull top can or pouch), soup (pull top can or microwave bowl), complete pancake mix and syrup, ramen noodles, snacks, such as crackers and granola bars, vegetables (pull top can or plastic cups), pudding (plastic cup), cornbread/muffin mix.



Sanctuary Flowers Needed This Sunday

Sunday, January 11

If you are interested in placing flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday, January 11 please contact the church office.

Missions



Feeding Our Friends is in need of assistance. Please click [here](#) for the sign-up to bring in items.

Thank you!

In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Stephen and Anne Smith and family in the death of Stephen's mother, Brenda Smith, who passed away on Friday, January 2, 2026.

Sympathy is extended to Banks Glover and family and friends in the death of Banks' aunt, Winifred (Winnie) Glover Boone Klein, who passed away on Friday, January 2, 2026 at the age of 108.

2026 Flower Calendar

The 2026 sanctuary flower calendar is now available. Dates are available to place flowers for worship services in memory or in honor of loved ones, or to celebrate a special occasion. If you are interested, please [email](#) or call Courtney in the church office. We greatly appreciate your help!

January 11, 18, 25	July 5, 12, 19, 26
March 22, 29	August 16, 23, 30
April 5, 12	September 6, 13
May 10, 31	October 11
June 7, 14, 21	November 8

Music Ministry

We're off to a great start in the Central Baptist New Year! Thank you to Carol, Cathy, Lamar, Banks, David, Rick, and Julie for your music on Sunday!

We have wonderful opportunities coming up to share the talents God has gifted us with. Please pray for our choir (and perhaps your participation, as well).

Thursday, January 15: 7:00 pm-9:00 pm—choir rehearsal for the Community-wide MLK, Jr. Service. You can join us, even if you are not a regular member of the choir! This will be a community-wide choir. Location: Summer Hill Baptist Church (95 Turkey Creek Rd, Newnan, GA 30263).

Monday, January 19: 10:00 am MLK, Jr. service at Summer Hill Baptist Church

Thursday, January 22: 7:30 pm concert with UWG Choir & FUMC Choir and Shawn Kirchner at FUMC Newnan

Sunday, February 8: Composer Sunday with Mary McDonald in both services!

Gratefully,

Ronnie

Central Baptist Church MUSIC MINISTRY

Annual Composer's Weekend

February 6-8

featuring the music of
Mary McDonald
Internationally known
Composer



Mrs. McDonald will work with our Chancel Choir on Friday and Saturday.

Her music will be included in both of our Worship Services on Sunday, February 8.

Women's Ministry

Lavinia Barron Book Group

On Monday, January 12 at 7:00 pm, the Lavinia Barron Book Group will meet in the Central Baptist Church Youth Room. The book for discussion will be "Shelterwood" by Lisa Wingate.

Ruth Drake Ladies Bible Study

Resumes

Tuesday, January 13, 5:30 pm



This semester we will study "Dare to Hope: Living Intentionally in an Unstable World," by Melissa Spoelstra. We have studied this author's books before, but this one is a little different. It will be more like a book club set up. We will read and then discuss what we read.

Our first session will be next Tuesday, January 13. Please read all of chapter 1 before our first session. After that the book will have 5 more chapters and we will read half of the chapter for each session.

Click [here](#) for the link to purchase the book on Amazon.



Ladies Coffee Hour

Thursday, January 15, 9:00 am

Join us every first and third Thursday of the month at Leaf and Bean. No need to make a reservation; just show up and enjoy the fellowship of your peers.

Purses in the Pew

Monday, January 26, 11:00 am

Kelli Hines and Christy Van Drew, Coweta Samaritan Clinic



Reservations are appreciated for name tags; reservations are required for lunch (\$8). Please click the link [here](#) to sign up.

Youth Ministry



Youth Ski Trip

Join us for fun and fellowship at Beech Mountain Ski Resort during Winter Break, February 16-19, 2026. This is a great time to get away and grow as a youth group, so make plans now to join us.

Cost for the trip is \$325 for non-skiers and \$375 for skiers/snowboarders. Cost includes transportation, meals, overnight lodging, and all activities.

Only five more days to sign up. Register [here](#).

Registration closes THIS FRIDAY, January 9.



Prayer Breakfast

Prayer breakfast is every Monday at 7:15 am!

The Prayer Breakfast is a great opportunity to start the school week with fellowship and focus on God together. Every week, we have Chick-fil-A breakfast provided for students and participate in a devotional and prayer time together. See you there!

Senior Adult Ministry

Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country

Wednesday, January 14, 9:00 am



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!

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, January 11

8:45 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:55 am Worship Service

Monday, January 12

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast
7:00 pm Lavinia Barron Book Group

Tuesday, January 13

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Feeding Our Friends
5:30 pm Ruth Drake Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, January 14

9:00 am Senior Adult Breakfast at
Town & Country
5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper-
Mexican Fiesta-Tacos & More
5:45 pm Grades 1-5 Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:00 pm PK-K Choir Rehearsal/Activity
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study
6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

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