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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.

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Communion  
May 3, 2026**

**SERMON**

Rev. Matt Sapp  
"Handling the Truth"

**SCRIPTURE**

Acts 7:55-60  
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

**8:45 am**

Worship Service  
Special Music  
*Walk in Peace*  
Alyssa Ryan and  
Coleman Ryan

**9:45 am**

Sunday School

**10:55 am**

Worship Service  
Special Music  
*If Ye Love Me*  
The Chancel Choir

**Nursery**

Available for children  
birth-three years

### WNS Dessert Sign-Up



We are still in need of a few volunteers to help with desserts for the next two Wednesday Night Suppers. If you are interested in signing up, please click [here](#) and review the available slots. Thank you!



*Sunday, May 10*

*Georgia Baptist Children's Home Offering*

*Parent/Child Dedication*

*10:55 am Worship*

If you would like to have your child dedicated in worship on Mother's Day, please give the church office the following information: Child's full name, date of birth, and parents' names, along with the names of living grandparents and great-grandparents.

Please [email](#) your information or call the church office. The deadline to submit this information is Friday, May 1.

## Church Picnic at Newnan Utilities Carl Miller Park Wednesday, May 13 5:00 pm



Come celebrate another successful school year with us as we get ready for the fun of summer to begin!

The church will provide hotdogs and hamburgers, buns, chips, cheese, ketchup, mustard, relish, paper products, charcoal, and drinks. Please sign up [here](#) for a side dish or dessert and comment what you will bring so we don't all bring the same thing! We will have a donation basket to help cover the cost of what the church is providing.

If you are interested in volunteering to cook or help organize, there is also a place to sign up for that!

Here's to another successful family picnic in the making!

\*In case of rain, picnic will be moved to the Fellowship Hall.\*

## Pastor's Pen

### Celebrating the Lord' Supper

We'll celebrate the Lord's Supper in both worship services this Sunday. That's something we do in Sunday morning worship six times each year and as part of our Wednesday evening REST services about seven times each year. On Sunday mornings we pass plates down the aisles with the individual communion elements in them. On Wednesday evenings we all approach the communion table at the front of the sanctuary together and take the elements by intinction.

Each method of celebrating the Lord's Supper has important symbolism.

When we pass the plates through the aisles, each member is served by the member sitting next to them. In that way, each of us acts as a priest, offering the communion elements to another in a physical acting out of the important doctrine of the Priesthood of All Believers.

When we celebrate the Lord's Supper by intinction on Wednesday nights, we all approach the front of the sanctuary together. The Lord's Supper becomes a communal meal as we each make the choice to come forward to share the same physical space around God's table.

Whichever way we celebrate the Lord's Supper, our shared act of obedience to Christ's invitation and God's presence in our observance of the supper both form us over time into a unified body of believers. When we eat the bread and drink the cup, we do it TOGETHER so that we might be transformed together into the kind of people God calls us to be.

We'll celebrate the Lord's Supper this Sunday, and in celebrating together, our shared character and identity will shift ever so slightly toward the fullness of God's intent for us.

See you Sunday,

Matt



Rise Against Hunger will be here during VBS week, June 1-4, and we are looking for volunteers. Please sign up [here](#) (18 and older).

## Music Ministry

What a gift it is when God's leading is so clearly present in our worship. From the prelude to the postlude—through the hymns, offertories, anthem, messages, and litanies—everything was woven together with a beautiful sense of unity, all pointing to Jesus as our Shepherd and Guide.

We are especially grateful for the excellent leadership of our graduating seniors, who helped us see more clearly how God is at work in each of our lives. Thank you to all who led us so faithfully.

Please continue to pray for our music ministry—for our Children's Choirs as they prepare to sing in the May 10 services, for the Newnan Community Youth Choir's concert on May 17, and for our folks who will be traveling to France in June. We are deeply grateful for your prayers.

Ronnie

## Senior Adult Ministry



### Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country

Wednesday, May 13,  
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!



## Women's Ministry



### Purses in the Pew Monday, May 18, 11:00 am

Lori Burnette, Backpack Buddies

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

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

### Ladies Coffee Hour

Thursday, May 7, 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.



## Children's Ministry



### VBS, June 1-4

8:45 am-12:00 pm daily  
PreK-4 through 7th grade

Vacation Bible School registration is now open! Register [here](#).

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Amanda Willoughby [here](#).

## In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Mary Ann Roe in the death of Bill Roe, who passed away on Friday, April 24, 2026.

Sympathy is extended to John and Katie Faison and family in the death of John's grandmother, Grace Faison, who passed away on Sunday, April 26, 2026.

## Birth

**Miriam James Westbrook**  
April 24, 2026  
Daughter of **Annie and Brian Westbrook**



## Youth Ministry



### Thank You!

Thanks so much to everyone who helped us celebrate our seniors during our graduate breakfast this past Sunday!

Our youth families were treated to a lavish breakfast that would not be possible without a **wonderful** group of adult hosts. This 1-hour event only happened because of multiple days of preparation by Dawn Connally, and David Van Drew, Lynn Winkles, Elizabeth Williams, Jennifer Leigh Murphy, Beth Headley, and Becca Springfield. Thank you for your ministry of hospitality.

## Missions

### Romania Mission Trip June 10-20

Please pray for our mission team as they prepare to facilitate a five night kids camp for the children from the Ruth School in Bucharest, Romania.

Our team will need to take a lot of supplies to make this camp a success. Please check out our Amazon wish list [HERE](#).

We are in need of some old suitcases (large checked bag size) you are willing to donate that can be left behind if needed.

We are also in need of a few things you can find around the house. Please save your paper towel rolls and brown packing paper from Amazon shipments. If you can, drop them by as you collect them so we can let you know when we've reached our goal.

Katie

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### LOOKING AHEAD

**Sunday, May 3**

8:45 am Worship Service  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 10:55 am Worship Service  
 4:00 pm NCYC Rehearsal

**Monday, May 4**

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast

**Tuesday, May 5**

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

**Wednesday, May 6**

5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper-  
Chicken Tetrazzini

5:45 pm Grades 1-5 Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00 pm Youth Group  
 6:00 pm PK-K Choir Rehearsal/Activity  
 6:00 pm REST, Communion Service  
 6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, May 7**

9:00 am Ladies Coffee Hour at Leaf & Bean

**Stewardship Update**  
**Sunday, April 26, 2026**

Weekly Budget Needs	\$32,685.35
Budget Offering	\$15,144.63
YTD Budget Needs	\$555,650.95
YTD Budget Offering	\$600,197.67