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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.

**Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
August 9, 2026**

SERMON

Rev. Matt Sapp
"Stepping Out in Faith"

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:22-23
Psalm 85:8-13

8:45 am

Worship Service
Special Music
Safe Within Your Arms
Alyssa Ryan

9:45 am

Sunday School

10:55 am

Worship Service
Special Music
Let All the People Praise!
The Chancel Choir

Nursery

Available for children
birth-three years

**PROMOTION
SUNDAY**

*Sunday, August 9
10:55 am Worship*

Rising 1st and 5th graders will be recognized during the 10:55 am worship service.

Back to School Schedule

Regular Worship Schedule Resumes August 9!

Promotion Sunday

Sunday, August 9
8:45 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
10:55 am Worship

Varsity Food Truck Fellowship

Wednesday, August 12, 5:00 pm

Ministry Fair Night

Wednesday, August 19
5:00 pm-Ministry Fair Supper-Tacos
6:00 pm-Ministry Fair

Regular Wednesday Night Activities Resume

Wednesday, August 26
5:15 pm-Wednesday Night Supper-Fried Chicken
6:00 pm-All Children's Choirs (Pre-K through Grade 5)
6:00 pm-Youth Group
6:00 pm-Adult Bible Study
6:45 pm-Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Food Truck Fellowship

*Wednesday, August 12,
5:00 pm*



Join us for a fun family time around the table Wednesday, August 12 at 5:00 pm. Please choose all that works for your family so we know how much to tell the food truck. Use the form linked below to choose between "one entree, one side" (\$13) or "two entrees, one side" (\$16).

The night of the event you will need to hand the food truck a ticket to show what you ordered. You can pay for your meals the night of the event or you can pay now using Realm or with cash/check in the church office. You can pick up your tickets (red for two entrees and blue for one entree) the night of or in the church office ahead of time. To pay online: text CBCGIVES to 73256 and choose "Varsity" or pay through your app/[website](#).

Please click [HERE](#) to fill out the google form with your family's food choices as soon as possible.

Pastor's Pen

The Next Leap of Faith

Kids get started back to school this week. That means this Sunday is Promotion Sunday at Central. As part of our 10:55 am worship service we'll present Bibles to 1st graders and 6th graders as they are promoted into our children's and youth ministries, respectively. All our students, from Pre-K to college and beyond, will be taking first steps into new classrooms in the next few weeks—with new teachers, new classmates, new surroundings, and new expectations—and their parents will be taking those first steps with them.

Taking first steps is hard. Sometimes it's scary. It's always uncertain. We can feel unsteady and disoriented when we take first steps into new things. On Sunday in worship, we'll look at a story from scripture about a disciple who takes a brave first step in faith. In Peter's first steps we'll be reminded that God is with us, not only to keep our heads above water as we step into new adventures, but also to help us do what seemed impossible just minutes before.

All of us can accomplish more with God this year than we have yet imagined, but we must be willing to take some first steps in faith. We'll talk about that idea more on Sunday. You might start thinking now about what God might be calling you forward to, or if there's something familiar and comfortable God is calling you out of.

Life with God and with one another is a great adventure. It'd be a shame if we let fear or doubt or uncertainty keep us from taking the next leap of faith.

See you Sunday,

Matt

Children's Ministry

ATTENTION
CURRENT 3RD-
5TH GRADERS

We are going to
camp!

This is open to any child who will be in 3rd-5th grade for the 2026-2027 school year! Register [here](#)!



Music Ministry

Yay! What a joy it was to have the Choir back in the loft this past Sunday! Thank you to our Chancel Choir, Henry, Yen Yu, and the PassportKids singers for leading us so beautifully in worship. One of the things I love most about our church is that people of every generation worship together—and every generation has the opportunity to use their gifts in service to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

As we begin a new ministry season, there's a place for everyone in our Music Ministry!

Chancel Choir: Wednesdays,
6:45 pm-8:00 pm—begins August 5
Newnan Community Youth Choir: Sundays,
4:00 pm-5:15 pm—begins August 16
Handbell Choir: Mondays,
6:30 pm-7:30 pm—begins August 17
Children's Choirs: Wednesdays,
6:00 pm-6:40 pm—begins August 26

We'd love to have you join us. Please contact me and let me know where you'd like to participate.

There is a place for you!

Gratefully,

Ronnie

newnan community youth choir

A community-based group of singers,
open to all 6th-grade through 12th-grade students,
designed to provide an opportunity for the youth of
Coweta County to join together in excellent music-making.

Rehearsals on Sundays at 4pm -
beginning August 16
14 West Broad Street • Music Suite

Interested?
Contact Ronnie Oliver at 770-683-6589
or roliver@centralbaptistnewnan.org

New Members

Please welcome William and Jenna Lawler, along with their sons, Luke and Bennett, who joined Central Baptist Church on Sunday, July 26 by statement of faith.

Please welcome Greg and Becky Price who joined Central Baptist Church on Sunday, July 26, by transfer of letter.

Women's Ministry

Ladies Coffee Hour

Thursday, August 6, 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.



Senior Adult Ministry



Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country

Wednesday, August 12, 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!

TN & KY Senior Adult Trip

September 2-6

Join our Senior Adults on a "choose your own adventure" trip in Tennessee and Kentucky. We will stop one night to explore Chattanooga, TN then make our way to Bardstown, KY for a few nights. Click [here](#) to sign up and for more detailed information!



Missions



Adult/Family Mission Trip

February 16-20, 2027

We are taking a group to learn and experience firsthand Rick and Ellen Burnette's mission, Cultivate Abundance, in Immokalee, FL.

Estimated cost:

Per person-\$900

Per family of four-\$3200

See more details on this breakdown and other information when you click to register. Please register [here](#) if you are interested in joining us.

Youth Ministry

Dear Church,

I am officially back from maternity leave and grateful to come back to a job and church that I love! Thank you all for the prayers and support these last few months. I want to say a special "Thank You!" to everyone who brought meals, treats, cards, and gifts after Miriam's birth. You kept us afloat in these first few months and kept us connected to this community even when we couldn't be physically present in worship. Brian, Talmadge, Miriam, and I feel so loved by you all! We are happy to be part of the Central Baptist family!

With Love and Gratitude,

Annie Westbrook

Prayer Breakfast starts back Monday, August 10!

Free breakfast, devotional, and prayer time!



All middle schoolers are invited to our annual Middle School Retreat at Banning Mills! This is an awesome one-night event that helps kick off the school year with adventure and community. You don't want to miss out! Sign up [here](#)!

In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Cindy Yeager and family in the death of Bill Yeager, who passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2026.

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 9

8:45 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

10:55 am Worship Service

Monday, August 10

7:15 am Youth Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, August 11

10:00 am Feeding Our Friends

Wednesday, August 12

9:00 am Senior Adult Breakfast at Town & Country

5:00 pm Varsity Food Truck Night

6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Stewardship Update
Sunday, August 2, 2026

Weekly Budget Needs	\$32,685.35
Budget Offering	\$31,806.31
YTD Budget Needs	\$1,013,245.85
YTD Budget Offering	\$961,212.00