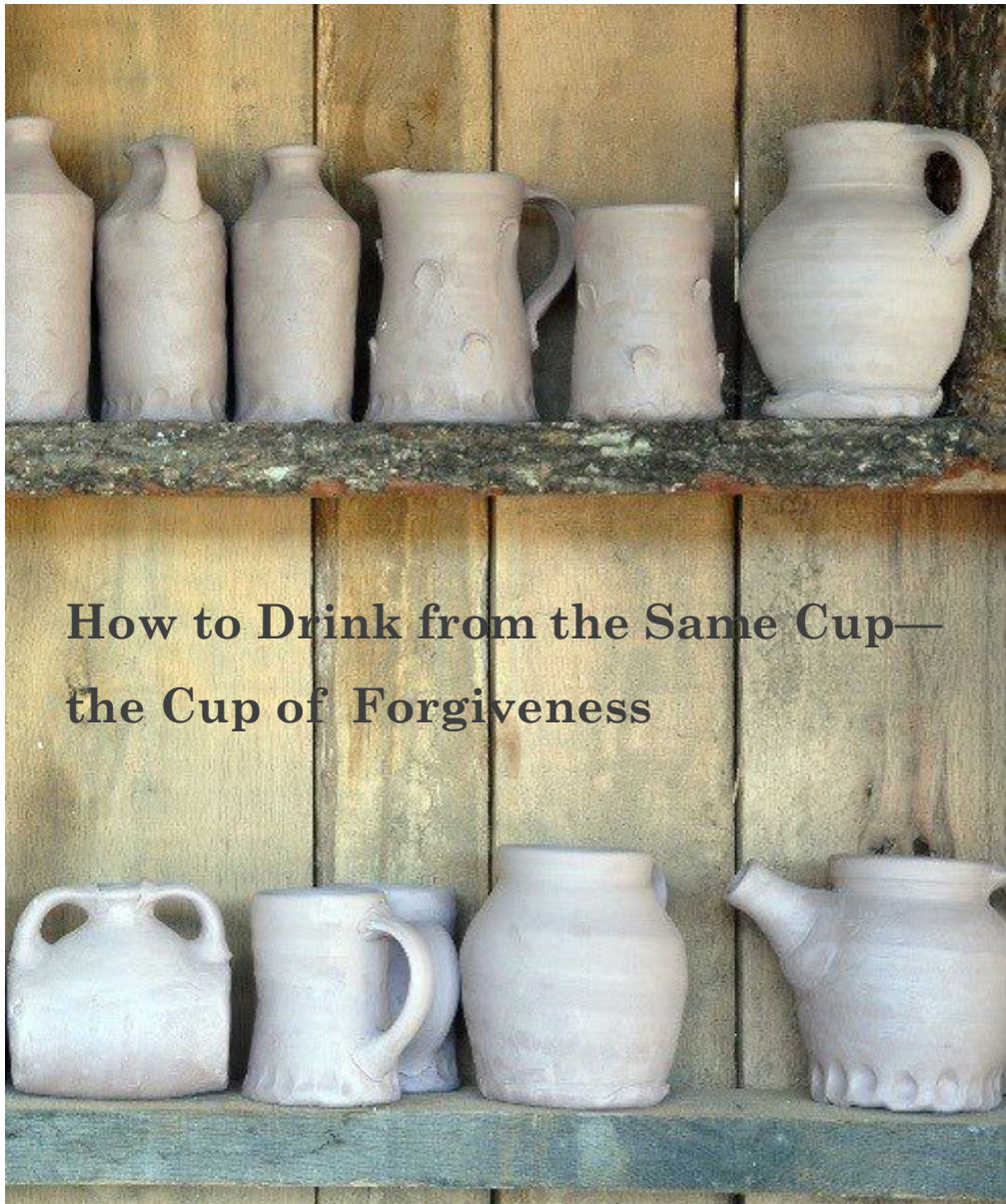


Central Christian Church

Growing Our Faith, Living Our Faith, Sharing Our Faith —
Together



March 20, 2016

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Welcome—Michelle Fritz
The Light of Christ is brought in as the service begins.

Call to Worship

All Glory, Laud, and Honor Red 192 (8:30)
Come, Now Is the Time to Worship Purple 2 (8:30)

Celebration of Palms—Choir (11:00)

Children are invited to Worship & Wonder
Today's story is: Jesus' Last Passover

Palm Sunday Reading—Shannon Moore

Time of Prayer—Danny Couch

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying Red 305

Prayer—Danny Couch

Scripture—Luke 23:32-43

How Deep the Father's Love for Us—Choir (8:30)
Were You There Red 198, v. 1, 2 (11:00)

Sermon—Danny Couch

Extinguishing the Lenten Candle of Forgiveness—Sarah Boyette
*Each Sunday during Lent, we have extinguished a candle.
The Christ candle will be extinguished on Good Friday,
as darkness falls with the crucifixion of our Lord.*

Just as I Am, Without One Plea Red 339, v. 1, 2, 3

Invitation to Communion—Dan Simmons (8:30); Seth Rash (11:00)

The Circle of Faith (8:30)
Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates Red 129, v. 1, 2, 3 (11:00)

Changing of the Light of Christ

Closing Prayer—Danny Couch

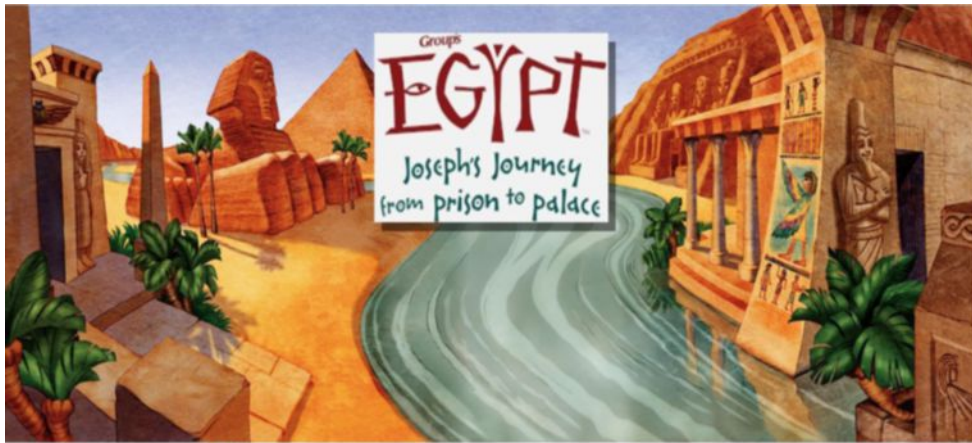
Mission of the Church

*Growing Our Faith,
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7 Elements of Our Faith

- Worship
- Studying Scripture
- Praying and Meditating
- Building Relationships
- Sharing Our Spiritual Gifts
- Sharing Our Resources
- Sharing Our Faith

What's happening at CCC—



Vacation Bible School
June 6-9, 6 to 8 p.m.



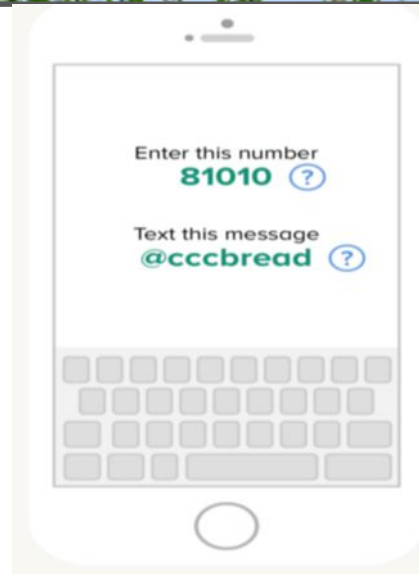
Registration for children & adult leaders begins April 1.

Contact Michelle for more info! michelle@cccweatherford.org



**Join Daily bread and receive a
daily scripture via text!**

**Follow the simple instructions
and you will receive a scripture
to enrich your daily routine!**





March 20

**Join us for Worship at 8:30 or
11:00**

Pot Luck Lunch at Noon

Cuppett (Fellowship) Hall

Please bring covered dish!

(Meat & Drinks provided.)

A Time for great fellowship

as we begin Holy Week!

Palm Sunday



**Egg Hunt for children on the
church lawn following Lunch.**

**Please bring 1 dozen candy
filled eggs to hide.**

Holy Week Schedule

- Wednesday, March 23, 3:00—6:00 pm—
Prayer & Meditation Time, Church Parlor
5:45 pm—Meal in Cuppett (Fellowship) Hall
6:30 pm—Worship in the Sanctuary
- Thursday, March 24, 6:30 pm—
Worship in the Sanctuary
- Thursday—Friday, March 24—25,
8:00 pm—Noon, Prayer Vigil
(Sign up sheet in the Sanctuary Narthex)
- Friday, March 25, 6:30 pm—
Worship in the Sanctuary

Nursery provided each evening for children 0—3 years of age.

Easter, March 27

Take Up Your Cross

7:00 am Sunrise Worship
in Prayer Garden
7:30 am Breakfast
8:30 am Worship
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship
Nursery provided from 8:15—Noon
for ages 0—3



Calendar

Sunday, March 20

Palm Sunday

7:45 am—Early Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am—Worship
9:30 – 9:40 am—Coffee Fellowship
10:00 – 10:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship
Noon—Pot Luck Lunch followed by Egg Hunt
4:00 pm—Prayer Shawl Group
6:00 pm—Sunday Discipleship Group

Monday, March 21

9:30 am—ChristCare Group
6:30 pm—Grace Movers Discipleship Group

Tuesday, March 22

9:00 am—Prayer Group
10:00 am—Tuesday Discipleship Group

Wednesday, March 23

9:30 am—Wednesday Discipleship Group
3:00—6:00 pm—Worship & Meditation Time in Church Parlor
5:45 pm—Meal followed by Worship in the Sanctuary
7:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 24

5:30 pm—Infinity Discipleship Group
6:30 pm—Maundy Thursday Worship

Thursday—Friday, March 24 – 25

8:00 pm—12 noon—Prayer Vigil in Sanctuary

Friday, March 25

1:30—6:30 pm—Youth visit Capernaum
6:30 pm—Good Friday Worship

Sunday, March 27

Easter

7:00 am—Sunrise Worship
7:30 am—Breakfast
7:45 am—Early Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am—Worship
9:30 – 9:40 am—Coffee Fellowship
10:00 – 10:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship

The Church Office has a
new email.

Please update your records.
office@cccweatherford.org

There will be no Men's
Breakfast this month,
but all men are needed to
help with Easter Breakfast on
March 27 at 7:30 am
following Sunrise Worship.

**If you plan to have a meeting or schedule an event at the church,
or use of any equipment, tables or chairs, contact the office at
office@cccweatherford.org or 817-594-3053, to check
availability on church calendar to avoid any conflicts.**

Thank you.

Prayer Updates

Hospitalized

Wayne Davee

In Need of Prayer

Judy Cassels, Jo Alexander

Remembrance & Celebration of Life

Family of Doris Pauley

Homebound

Randy Culpepper, Ken Davis, Dorothy Henderson, Ann Sampler

Sympathy and Empathy by *John Paul Carter*

Almost a month ago we had an “overflow event” that flooded half of our house and forced us to move without actually moving. I was telling my son Rush who lives in Alpine about it and mentioned that I now better understood the plight of friends who had suffered similar aquatic catastrophes. To which, being a therapist’s son, he replied, “Now you know the difference between sympathy and empathy.” He hit the nail on the head...my head!

When we are sympathetic with some one, it usually means that we feel pity or compassion for their situation or troubles. We commiserate, saying something like, “I feel your pain” or “my heart goes out to you.” We all can attest to the comfort and help that such heartfelt expressions of sympathy convey to us in difficult times.

Empathy, on the other hand, is the ability to understand and to share the feeling of another on the basis of a common life experience, like the marriage of a child, the death of a loved one, or a specific health problem. Because we have had a similar experience ourselves, we have some realistic idea of what the other person is going through and the feelings they may be having. The help and comfort that we may be able to offer is based on having walked that path ourselves. And our previous experience helps us to take their situation more seriously.

We’ve all felt the incredible impact of those times when we were the recipients of such empathetic care - how understood we felt and how comforting it was to know that someone else had lived through an experience like ours.

However, two things should be noted about empathy. First it must be practiced with humility and a strong awareness of our ignorance. None of us can say to another, “I know exactly how you feel.” We don’t! It’s much better to say something like, “I’ve had a similar experience. Is there something I can do to help?”

Secondly, empathy is a costly gift because our feelings grow out of our own previous struggle and pain. To offer those feelings to another risks the possibility that our old wounds might be reopened. Paradoxically however, when we’re empathetic, we are sometimes the ones most helped and healed.

As we journey with Jesus through Holy Week, we’re struck by the truth of John’s conclusion that “the Word became flesh and dwelt among us” – God was on the ground from birth to death as a human being in Jesus of Nazareth. As a result of his being tested, tempted, and having suffered like us, the writer of Hebrews says, we can confidently draw near to God and “receive mercy and find grace to help us just when we need it.” Empathy is at the heart of our faith – Jesus’ empathy for us and ours for each other!

Church Staff

Senior Minister—Danny Couch
Associate Minister—Shannon Moore
Youth Minister—Seth Rash
Children’s Minister—Michelle Fritz
Faith Development Minister—Dan Simmons
Pianist/Assistant Choir Director—James Buckner
Organist—Nancy DeWees
Guitarist—Tony Brancato
Communications Coordinator—Sarah Boyette
Media Technician—Ryan Grant
Child Care Workers—Christy Butler, Tessa Moore, Bethani Kirby
Administrative Assistant—Joy Ellis

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Serving Schedule

Sunday, March 20

Elders: 8:30 Service: Mike Barham & Rubette Fowler

11:00 Service: Earl Gauntt & Linda Salmon

Communion Prep: 8:30 Service: Wanda & Mike Barham

11:00 Service: Deacon Team Three

Greeters: 8:30 Service: Mike Barham

11:00 Service: Mack & Gloria Young

Acolytes: 8:30 Service: Paul Boyette

11:00 Service: Aliya Decker

Coffee Fellowship: Sonrise/Seekers Class

Sunday, March 27

Elders: 8:30 Service: Mike Barham & Rubette Fowler

11:00 Service: Rusty Pickard & Joe Tison

Communion Prep: 8:30 Service: Dian Calzacorta

11:00 Service: Deacon Team Three

Greeters: 8:30 Service: Janiece Oliver

11:00 Service: Craig & Judy Atherton

Acolytes: 8:30 Service: Claire Boyette

11:00 Service: Aydin Griffin

Coffee Fellowship: Friendship Class

Memorial...

Given in memory of Bobby Dalton

Attendance and Giving

March 13, 2016

8:30 Worship: 61

11:00 Worship: 88

Sunday School: 83

Weekly Budget	11,550.25
General Offering	9,029.15
Plate Offering	7,655.00
Electronic Giving (Vanco)	1,374.15
Memorial for Agapge Outreach/Discretionary	100.00
Bridging Cultures (Includes Vanco)	10.00
Crossroads (Includes Vanco)	20.00
Agape Outreach/Discretionary	20.00
Youth Missions	10.00
Building Fund (Includes Vanco)	40.00

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