

Central Christian Church

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

Strategies for Grace

...responding like Jesus during hard times.



April 17, 2016

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Prelude— Nancy DeWees (11:00)

Welcome—Shannon Moore
The Light of Christ is brought in as the service begins.

Shout to the Lord Purple 35

Call to Worship (11:00)

We Gather Together Red 276

Children are invited to Worship & Wonder
Today's story is: The Good Shepherd & the Lord's Supper

Time of Prayer—Shannon Moore

Love the Lord Your God Purple 123

Prayer— Seth Rash

Scripture—Luke 10:25-29

Special Music—Choir

Sermon—Danny Couch

In This Very Room Red 295

Invitation to Communion—Dan Simmons

The Circle of Faith (8:30)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Red 517, v. 1, 3 (11:00)

Changing the Light of Christ

Closing Prayer—Danny Couch

Postlude—Nancy DeWees

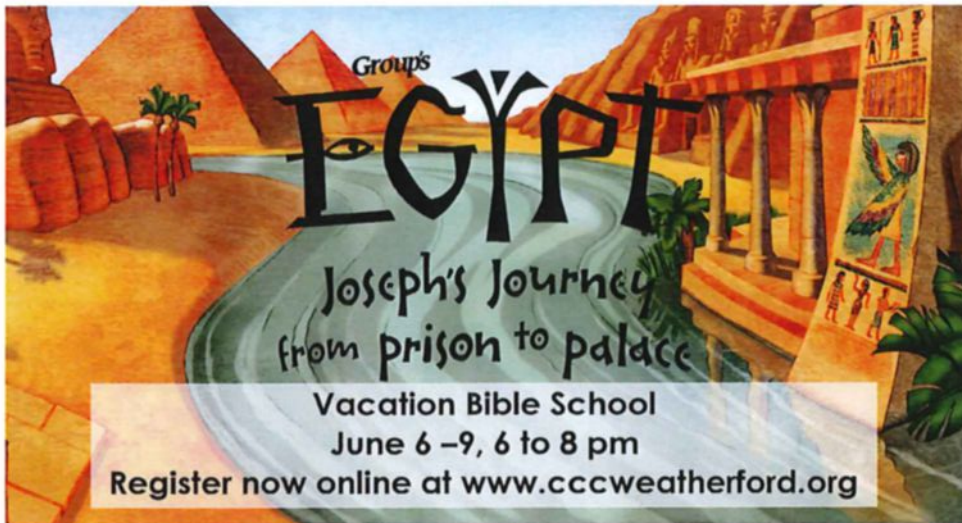
Mission of the Church

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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—



Meet at 5:00 pm Thursday, April 21
to travel to Fort Worth to serve at the
Agape Meal. Everyone is welcome !

Children under 16 need to be
accompanied by adult.

Contact Jack Pickard or the church
office if you would like to participate
in this ministry!



10 seats remain open for our summer mission trip to Ecuador. We will work four days in Pusir tending to the animals, repairing homes, visiting people in the village, working with the children and youth, and possibly starting on a "Trades" building for the school. After our work days are complete, we will take a brief trip to south Ecuador to a historic town of Cuenca.

The trip cost is \$1,600. For more questions call Danny, 817-613-6228. To reserve a seat make your \$500 deposit to Bridging Cultures.

To give a donation for a missionary or supplies for our projects, make your check to Bridging Cultures.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A
WEDDING SHOWER

honoring

Brandi Dye & Seth Rash

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

2—4 PM

CUPPETT (FELLOWSHIP) HALL
REGISTERED AT: BED BATH & BEYOND,
DILLARDS, & AMAZON

Love, Attention, and Listening

John Paul Carter

Fifty years ago on the steps of Wichita Falls' First Methodist Church I encountered the maverick Baptist preacher Carlyle Marney for the first time. The hour for his lecture was drawing near and Marney's impatient host was trying to hurry him through the crowd. I put out my hand and introduced myself. To my astonishment, for the next five minutes we talked as if there was no one else around. He never broke eye contact. I had his complete attention – a transforming encounter that I've never forgotten. He really listened to me!

In *The Road Less Traveled*, Scott Peck says that love is always an act of effort and courage. "The principal form that the work of love takes," he writes, "is attention....[and] by far the most common and important way in which we can exercise our attention is by listening." As a son, husband, father, friend, and retired counselor, I can testify that listening is the hardest work I've ever done.

Listening to another human being requires prolonged attention - focusing on another with all our senses: ears, eyes, imagination, and especially the heart. It means resisting assumptions and taking time to clarify with the other what you think you're hearing. The primary goal of listening is for the other person to feel heard and understood. Any subsequent help we might attempt to give another is robbed of its full effectiveness without that essential connection. What a difference it makes when we feel that someone has really listened to us. We all need to be heard!

Not only must we listen to each other, we also have to pay close attention to ourselves - our bodies, our feelings, our thoughts, and our words. "The more faithfully you listen to the voice within you," writes Dag Hammarskjöld, "the better you will hear what is sounding outside. And only he who listens can speak."

We will not become good listeners over night. It requires a conscious act of the will to focus our attention on the person before us – not an easy task in a culture drowning in distractions. The ability to listen is a skill that must be developed over time and requires repeated practice. Don't be surprised if the journey toward listening begins in short spurts, often losing concentration, and having to call ourselves back to the work at hand.

If we're able to listen at all, it's because our Creator, from the very first, has initiated a dialogue with us. In the fullness of time, the Word became flesh and lived among us in Jesus of Nazareth. The Gospels portray Jesus as focusing his attention on each person he encountered. And he continues to listen to us.

Dear Lord, teach us to listen to You, ourselves, and each other as carefully as You listen to us. Amen.

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
Media Technician—Ryan Grant
Child Care Workers—Christy Butler, Tessa Moore, Bethani Kirby
Administrative Assistant—Joy Ellis

Calendar

Sunday, April 17

7:30 am—Men's 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
10:00 – 10:45 am—Baptism Class
11:00 am—Worship
4:00 pm—Prayer Shawl Group

Monday, April 18

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

Tuesday, April 19

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

Wednesday, April 20

9:30 am—Wed Discipleship Group
Wednesday Night Live!
5:30 pm—Family Style Meal—
Meatloaf/Pizza
6:00 pm—Nursery (Ages 0 – 3)
6:15 pm—Children Activities
6:15 pm—Youth Activities
6:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal
6:15 pm—Adult Bible Study

Thursday, April 21

5:00 pm—Agape Meal
5:30 pm—Infinity Discipleship Group


Sunday, April 24

7:45 am—Early Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am—Worship
9:30 – 9:40 am—Coffee Fellowship
10:00 – 10:45 am—Sunday School
10:00 – 10:45 am—Baptism Class
11:00 am—Worship
2:00 pm—Wedding Shower
4:00 pm—Prayer Shawl Group

**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.

Dear Church Family,

 Thank you for your concern, inspiring words and of course your prayers during the time of my recent surgery and recovery. It was greatly appreciated.

Love to all,

Sharon Baggett

Prayer Updates

Hospitalized

John Bozzell

Recovering from Surgery

Lucas Slawson, Jill Mitchell, Sharon Baggett

In Need of Prayer

Charice Shannon, Chare A. Le, Connie Jerrigan & family, Debbie Kinard

Homebound

Jo Alexander, Judy Cassels, Randy Culpepper, Dorothy Henderson, Ann Sampler

Remembrance & Celebration of Life

Family of Ken Davis

Joy

Congratulations go to Prissy Neely upon being named Weatherford College Alumnus of the Year 2016!

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Serving Schedule



Sunday, April 17

Elders: 8:30 Service: Linda Salmon & Joe Tison

11:00 Service: Jill Mitchell & Bill Mitchell

Communion Prep: 8:30 Service: Lynn Pool

11:00 Service: Deacon Team One

Greeters: 8:30 Service: Sherry Wilson

11:00 Service: Darlene Mayberry

Acolytes: 8:30 Service:

11:00 Service: Caleb Decker

Coffee Fellowship: Seekers/Sonrise Class

Sunday, April 24

Elders: 8:30 Service: Linda Salmon & Joe Tison

11:00 Service: Sheri Stewart & John Paul Carter

Communion Prep: 8:30 Service: Martha & Warner Killough

11:00 Service: Deacon Team One

Greeters: 8:30 Service: Cathy Simonds

11:00 Service: Pat Simon

Acolytes: 8:30 Service:

11:00 Service: Aliya Decker

Coffee Fellowship: Friendship Class

Memorial for Building Fund...

Given in memory of Sam St. Clair by Joe & Patsy Tison

Attendance and Giving

April 10, 2016

8:30 Worship: 92

11:00 Worship: 85

Sunday School: 118

Weekly Budget	11,550.25
General Offering	10,563.11
Plate Offering	9,311.00
Electronic Giving (Vanco)	1,252.11
Memorial for Building Fund	25.00
Agape Outreach (Includes Vanco)	20.00
Bridging Cultures (Includes Vanco)	85.00
Feed the Kids	20.00
Crossroads (Includes Vanco)	39.23
Music Ministry (Includes Vanco)	50.00
Youth Missions (Includes Vanco)	60.00
Building Fund (Includes Vanco)	1,075.00

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easy. fast. effective.

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Call the church office to get started today or you can visit our electronic giving site on your smart phone directly with the QR Code.

