How can I become a Christian?

Admit that you are a sinner who needs God's forgiveness and cannot save yourself.

Believe that Jesus is God's Son, Who died to pay for all your sins and rose again.

Cry out to God and ask for His forgiveness.

How can I grow as a Christian?

Central wants to help you grow in your faith, and we offer several opportunities to do so, including:

1. Worship. You're invited to join us as we gather to worship the Lord each Sunday at 11 am and 6 pm.

2. Study. In addition to the teaching that takes place during our Sunday and Wednesday services, we'd love to help you find a Sunday school or Bible study group where you can study God's Word and learn how to apply it to your life.

3. Fellowship. God calls us to practice our faith within a community of believers, but it can be challenging to build those relationships in a large worship gathering alone. We would love to help you connect with one of our small groups to encourage your spiritual journey.

4. Service. God has a purpose for every believer. There are numerous opportunities to serve Him both within the church and out in the community. Let us help you discover and fulfill His calling on your life.

5. Outreach. The Bible calls us to share our hope with the world. One way to do this is to invite others to church; an even better way is to tell them about the salvation Jesus has provided. If you need help getting started, we would be glad to assist you.



A Church in the Heart of the City, With a Heart for the City

Sunday, December 13, 2020



Welcome!

We're glad to have you with us today, and we hope that you feel at home. We're here to worship God and glorify Jesus Christ, and we welcome you to join in with us.

If you're a guest here—especially if this is your first visit we'd love a chance to meet you and welcome you in person. After the service, our pastor will be in the Welcome Center (just through the double doors at the auditorium's far right). Please stop by and say hello!

Upcoming Events

- **December 13:** Christmas Caroling and Fellowship, 6 pm
- December 16: No Wednesday services
- **December 17:** Live Nativity Dress Rehearsal, 6 pm at Elmer Thomas Park
- **December 18-20:** Live Nativity, 6-8 pm nightly at Elmer Thomas Park
- December 20: No evening services
- December 23: No evening services
- December 24: Christmas Eve Service, 6 pm
- January 2: Volunteer Work Day, 9 am-noon

Today's Message

The Most Important Visit — part of a series of messages on the announcements of Jesus' coming, from Matthew 1:18-25

No evening service

Roof Repairs

Work is underway to replace the roof. An interest-free loan of approximately \$15,000 was generously provided so that we could begin before there is any further water damage. If you would like to contribute to help pay for these repairs, please write "Roof" on your envelope or your check's memo line.

Contact Us

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Live Nativity

Our Live Nativity is a ministry that gives us the opportunity to share with the community about how Jesus was born to be our Savior. We need your help to make it happen. Spots are available, even if you don't want to perform in the actual program. <u>Contact Kristie Weber if you can help for any or all of the nights.</u>

Weekly Schedule

Sunday School — Sundays at 9:30 am Worship Services — Sundays at 11 am & 6 pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting — Wednesdays at 6 pm Men's Bible Study — Mondays at 7 am

How to Join CBC

You can join Central Baptist Church **by baptism**, if you've trusted Jesus as your Savior and need to follow Him in Scriptural baptism; **by letter**, if you're transferring your membership from another church whose beliefs closely align with ours; or **by statement**, if a letter cannot be obtained. If you're interested in membership, please contact the church office or visit with the pastor after today's service.