



**Fri, December 6th  
6:30pm – 8pm**

Central is excited to be part of this great Rogers tradition. Bring the whole family to be part of the parade on December 6th and wear your "You Matter to God" Shirts! The parade begins in downtown Rogers at 6:30pm.




CENTRAL WOMEN'S  
**TOUR OF HOMES  
DECEMBER 12TH & BRUNCH  
9:30A, ATRIUM**

TICKETS ON SALE - SUNDAYS IN THE ATRIUM NOVEMBER 17 - 8



**CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Rogers**

*How Great  
Our Joy!*

A FESTIVAL  
OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS  
DECEMBER 12 & 13, 6:30P - CHAPEL

NOTES:

Encountering Christ the anticipation and revelation of Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. The joy of the baby leaping in the womb, which confirmed the work God is already doing, we prepare our hearts for the Holy Spirit to do a mighty work in us.



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CENTRAL ROGERS

**Read With Us**

December 1, 2024

# WORSHIP

## 8:15AM - COMMUNION

Prelude: Noel Allemande (Couperin)  
 Welcome  
 \*Processional Hymn: Ye Who Claim the Faith of Jesus (UMH 197)  
 \*The Collect  
 Advent Wreath Lighting  
 \*Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)  
 \*Gloria Patri (UMH 70)  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 Offertory: O Harken Ye (Alfred Burt)  
 \*Doxology (UMH 95)  
 Message - Rev. Rob Holifield  
 Holy, Holy, Holy (UMH 17)  
 The Lord's Prayer  
 Holy Communion  
 \*Hymn of Thanksgiving: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (UMH 211)  
 \*Benediction  
 Postlude: Vieux Noel (Franck)

## 10:20AM - TRADITIONAL

Prelude: Noel Allemande (Couperin)  
 Welcome  
 \*Hymn of Praise: Ye Who Claim the Faith of Jesus (UMH 197)  
 \*The Collect  
 Advent Wreath Lighting  
 \*Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)  
 \*Gloria Patri (UMH 70)  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 Choral Anthem: O Harken Ye (Alfred Burt)  
 Offertory: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (Travis)  
 \*Doxology (UMH 95)  
 Children's Moment  
 Today's Lesson: I Thessalonians 1:2-6 (NRSV)  
 Message - Rev. Rob Holifield  
 Holy, Holy, Holy (UMH 17)  
 The Lord's Prayer  
 Holy Communion  
 \*Hymn of Thanksgiving: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (UMH 211)  
 \*Benediction  
 Postlude: Vieux Noel (Franck)

## 10:30AM - CONTEMPORARY

Welcome  
 Joy To The World / Joy Of The Lord  
 Angels (Glory To God)  
 O Come All Ye Faithful / Worthy  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 The Lord's Prayer  
 Children's Moment  
 Offering Moment  
 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus  
 Message - Rev. Rob Holifield  
 Holy Communion  
 Hope Has Come (Behold Him)  
 Benediction

# SCRIPTURE

1 THESS. 1:2-6

We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, 3 remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 4 For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5 because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. 6 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit,

# PRAY

Mourning with:  
 Larry and Janna Gartman and Family in the passing of their son, Lucas Gartman on Nov. 20th.

Praying for:

- George Rhoads, in hospice care.
- Barbara Jones' mother in hospice care.
- Jeane Kennedy, who was hospitalized following an automobile accident.
- Michael, John and Frances Rankin's son, as he continues cancer treatment.
- Sally Deakins, Laurelin Van Hoose's mother, continued prayers for encouragement and healing.
- Chelsea Thompson, healing of health & faith as she goes through cancer treatment.
- Jane Whitlow, Sally Nichols' friend, prayers for healing.
- Leslie Reindeau, as she battles cancer.
- Ross Puryear, Doyle Rice's friend was recently diagnosed with stage four prostate cancer.
- Isaac Linville, Brandie Cockrell's cousin, is a two-year-old battling cancer.
- Liz Lusk as she deals with kidney rejection and facing heart issues.
- Erika Eichler as she recovers from foot surgery.
- Mary Stapleton, Dawn Spraggs' mother, is recovering in rehab.
- Mike Rudolph is having abdominal complications due to an accident.
- Brenda Beach, Lois Yount's sister, is recovering from neck surgery.
- Denny Higgins, Paul Allard's mother, is recovering from surgery to remove cancer from her kidney.
- A co-worker of J.R. Shaw has had a recurrence of cancer and will require surgery.
- Ronnie Whittis, Sally Nichols' grandson, needs prayer as he recovers from a motorcycle accident.



We have had one sermon series for the whole year, and we will continue reading through the whole Bible together using a specific reading plan. We hope you will read with us!

## DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1-Dec</b> Advent Begins 1 Corinthians 9-11 Day 336	<b>2-Dec</b> 1 Corinthians 12-14 Day 337	<b>3-Dec</b> 1 Corinthians 15-16 Day 338	<b>4-Dec</b> 2 Corinthians 1-4 Day 339	<b>5-Dec</b> 2 Corinthians 5-9 Day 340	<b>6-Dec</b> 2 Corinthians 10-13 Day 341	<b>7-Dec</b> Romans 1-3 Day 342
<b>8-Dec</b> Romans 4-7 Day 343	<b>9-Dec</b> Romans 8-10 Day 344	<b>10-Dec</b> Romans 11-13 Day 345	<b>11-Dec</b> Romans 14-16 Day 346	<b>12-Dec</b> Acts 20-23 Day 347	<b>13-Dec</b> Acts 24-26 Day 348	<b>14-Dec</b> Acts 27-28 Day 349
<b>15-Dec</b> Colossians 1-4 Philemon 1 Day 350	<b>16-Dec</b> Ephesians 1-6 Day 351	<b>17-Dec</b> Philippians 1-4 Day 352	<b>18-Dec</b> 1 Timothy 1-6 Day 353	<b>19-Dec</b> Titus 1-3 Day 354	<b>20-Dec</b> 1 Peter 1-5 Day 355	<b>21-Dec</b> Hebrews 1-6 Day 356
<b>22-Dec</b> Hebrews 7-10 Day 357	<b>23-Dec</b> Hebrews 11-13 Day 358	<b>24-Dec</b> 2 Timothy 1-4 Day 359	<b>25-Dec</b> Christmas Day 2 Peter 1-3 Jude 1 Day 360	<b>26-Dec</b> 1 John 1-5 Day 361	<b>27-Dec</b> 2 John 1 3 John 1 Day 362	<b>28-Dec</b> Revelation 1-5 Day 363
<b>29-Dec</b> Revelation 6-11 Day 364	<b>30-Dec</b> Revelation 12-18 Day 365	<b>31-Dec</b> Revelation 19-22 Day 366				



For more information on how to participate scan the QR code or check our website!





## WAYS TO CONNECT

### ANGEL TREE

Nov. 17 - Dec. 1

Starting today in the Atrium you are able to sponsor a child from the Sharing & Caring Kids Christmas Tree program or from TASC.

### "WHAT NOW?" LAY SERVANT MINISTRY - BASICS COURSE

Sun, Dec. 1st, 4pm – 8pm

Wed, Dec. 4th, 6pm - 8pm

Wed, Dec. 11th, 6pm - 8pm

Have you been asked to serve at Central, volunteered at church and would like to know more, or would like to volunteer but not sure where to start? In this fun and interactive class, participants will discover and employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended and to consider the importance of exercising servant leadership! (This class will count toward the Introduction to Lay Ministry – Basics Course requirements) This class will be held over three sessions on Dec 1st, 4th, and 11th. Please contact Carole Baker for more information.

### GRAVITY STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM MONTHLY MEETING

Sun, Dec. 1st, 11:30am

Gravity Student Leadership Team Monthly Meeting

### GRAVITY MISSION INFO NIGHT

Sun, Dec. 1st, 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Gravity students and families, join us in the Youth Room to learn more about our Gravity mission opportunities - from Senior High Guatemala trip over Spring Break to our NEW! exciting Summer Trip!

### GRAVITY YOUTH'S "TRACY TROT"

Sun, Dec. 1st, 7pm

It's Gravity's 2nd Annual Tracy Trot, where we take a night and spread God's love, just as Tracy would've done. Each Life Group designs a mission, and then goes out and continues the legacy of Tracy by spreading love through NWA.

### ROGERS CHRISTMAS PARADE

Fri, Dec. 6th, 6:30pm

Central is excited to be part of this great Rogers tradition. Bring the whole family to be part of the parade on December 6th. The parade begins in downtown Rogers at 6:30pm. It will be BIG FUN!

### GRAVITY WORSHIP AND THRIFTMAS PARTY

Sun, Dec. 8th, 6pm

Gravity students and families, join us for our annual Christmas party - Gravity THRIFTMAS. Bring a thrifted WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT, and dress in your BEST THRIFTED CHRISTMAS CHEER and enjoy an AMAZING SCAVENGER HUNT!

### CENTRAL WOMEN TOUR OF HOMES AND BRUNCH

Thu, Dec. 12th, 8:30am – 2:30pm

Annual Christmas Tour of Homes and Brunch. Tickets go on sale Nov. 17th - Dec. 8th in November and childcare is available.

### LESSONS & CAROLS PRESENTED BY THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Thurs, Dec. 12th, 6:30pm

Fri, Dec. 13th, 6:30pm

Join us in the chapel for a festive music celebration of Jesus birth, led by our Chancel Choir. You'll enjoy experiencing the story again through scripture, choral music, string quartet and more. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite family and friends to celebrate Christmas at Central. Childcare will be available in room 127.

### GRACE COMMUNITY DINNER

Sun, Dec. 15th, 3pm

A dinner is prepared and served at Grace UMC for approximately 200+ people by drive-thru. Teams will prepare food, pack for distribution, and deliver to vehicles. If interested in joining a group, please call the church office.

### GRAVITY LEADER CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sun, Dec. 15th, 6pm

Gravity Leaders are heading out on their ANNUAL Christmas Party and all it's SHENANIGANS!

### CONTEMPORARY CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE

Tue, Dec. 24th, 2pm - Sanctuary

Join us for an inspiring Christmas Eve Service where we celebrate the birth of Christ! We will conclude with the traditional singing of "Silent Night" to candlelight.

### TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE

Tue, Dec. 24th, 5pm - Sanctuary

Join us for an inspiring Christmas Eve Service where we celebrate the birth of Christ! We will conclude with the traditional singing of "Silent Night" to candlelight.

### CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Tue, Dec. 24th, 11pm - Chapel

Join us for our powerful and contemplative traditional candlelight service.

### CHRISTMAS - Office Closed

The Church Office will be closed December 25th & 26th.

### CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNITY DINNER

Wed, Dec. 25th, 11am

Join us in person for our annual Christmas Day Dinner with all the trimmings! Volunteer options are available now, sign up online or in the Advent Mailer. To reserve your seat for the meal, sign up after Thanksgiving weekend by calling the church office at 479.636.1630.

### ONE COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

Sun, Dec. 29th, 10:30am

Contemporary Worship with Praise Band. Nursery available.