

Christmas and the Trinity

Luke 1

December 13, 2020 ~ Rev. Roland Smith ~ Central Baptist Church, Crossville, TN

(Luke 1:35)

- When you read our text, it begs the question:
"Who was this baby?"
- There is only one right answer though there are many wrong ones. E.G.

1. A _____

2. A _____

3. A _____

4. A _____

The answer? Jesus Christ is God!

The doctrine of the Trinity is the Christian distinctive.

1. _____ is _____ (Exodus 3:14, 15)

2. _____ is _____ (John 8:56, 57, 58)

3. The _____ is _____ (Acts 5:3, 4)

I. _____ of the _____ (Isaiah 40:18)

(Isaiah 55: 8, 9)

- How is God reflected in the Old Testament?

A. In _____ (Genesis 1:1)

- "God" is Elohim, a majestic plural

B. In _____ (Deuteronomy 6:4, 5)

- "LORD" = "YHWH" singular

"God" = "Elohim" plural

"one" = "echad" = "one as a unit"

- Well, if we have one God but He is reflected as a triune God, is Jesus found in the Old Testament? Yes

Daniel 3:25 *"one like the Son of God"*

Proverbs 30:4 *"What is His name, or His Son's name?"*

Isaiah 9:6 *"a child is born, a son is given and He shall be called Mighty God"*

II. _____ of the _____

- In the Bible you find the Trinity working in history

A. In _____ (Genesis 1:1) and (John 1:3)

(Job 26:13) "breath" is "ruach" translated 31 time as "breath" but 206 times as "Spirit"

B. In _____ of the _____ (II Timothy 3:16)
(I Peter 1:10, 11)
(II Peter 1:21)

C. In _____ the _____ (Matthew 28:19)

III. _____ of the _____

Ephesians 1:3 & 4 - the _____ us

Ephesians 1: 6 & 7 - the _____ us
(this is the "why" of Christmas)

Ephesians 1: 13 & 14 - the _____ us



December 13, 2020
Welcome, We Are Glad You
Joined Us Today

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission Prayer Focus

Pray for *IMB* Missionaries to Ukraine **Paul & Lori Babb**. He helps missionaries with logistics while she helps their children with schooling. They are also involved in a church plant in Kiev.

Christmas Card "Post Office"

The Christmas Card Cabinet located by the Library is open, you can "mail" your Christmas cards for \$.25 per card to families in our church, just place them in the appropriate last name slot. All donations go to our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Memorial Christmas Poinsettias

Memorial Christmas Poinsettias have been placed in the Worship Center in honor and memory of Centralites who have gone home to be with The LORD since December 21, 2019.

Zedenka Austin, Bob Boettcher, Ralph Blackwood, Dorothy Bugbee, Ron Cartwright, Art Christensen, Betty Curtis, Dale Falter, Linda Gabbert, Georgia Hammons, Mamie Henry, Beverly Hickmott, Ken Hobbs, Ted Hubble, Judy Mayabb, Donna Moran, Matthew Musser, Paul Ondako, Charlie Pauley, Helen Peek, Cynthia Purcell, Mark Pugh, Marilyn Rice, Melba Talbot, Bob Tindle, Joseph Warlick, Joyce Webb, John Weyant, Vancienetta Wisdom, Elizabeth Wood.

The Poinsettias will be displayed until December 20. Families or friends of these Centralites may take the flowers home after the morning Worship Service on December 20.

Upward Basketball and Cheerleading

Practice Week #2 - Pray for the coaches as they teach skills and share God's Word through the devotional materials.

2021 Offering Envelopes


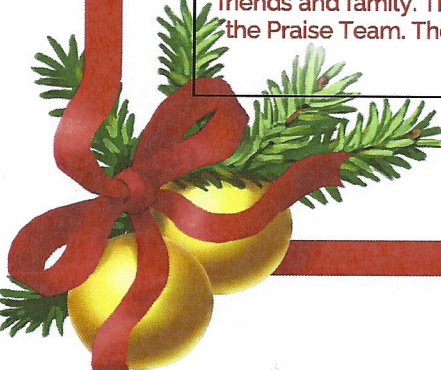
2021 Offering Envelopes are available to be picked up in the Atrium. If you need envelopes, please put your name on the signup sheet provided in the Atrium.

Christmas Toy Store Ministry

Thank you to everyone who prayed, gave and served in the Christmas Toy Store. As of December 9, we have served 168 families and provided for 373 children. Each child received three toys, one plush item, a container of candy, a Christ centered book; each family received one roll of wrapping paper, tape, bows, handmade gift tags, a tin of cookies, box of candy canes, several stocking stuffers, *The Christmas Promise Devotional Book*, a letter from CBC and CBC brochure, PEACE with God tract, PEACE handmade Scripture card, and a \$40.00 Food Voucher to Save a lot. We will continue bagging items for families still seeking assistance.

Christmas Program, December 19

This year's Christmas program will be held at two program times. On Saturday, December 19th at 2pm and at 6pm. In the past we have had tickets and posters, but this year with the necessity to maintain social distancing, we will only be promoting the program on Realm, in the bulletin, and on our sign. invite your friends and family. The program will be presented by the Praise Band, Plateau Bronze Handbell Choir, and the Praise Team. The program entitled "The Light of the World" will run about an hour. Bring your friends and family and come join us on December 19th



Christmas Eve Service, December 23, 6:00 p.m.

We will be having our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight program on December 23rd at 6p.m. Traditionally we have had it on Christmas Eve, but this year we will be having it on the eve of Christmas Eve. This will be an intimate celebration of the "Light of the World" with candlelight and traditional Christmas hymns we all love and cherish.

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHOIR, Scott needs 20 volunteers to greet and seat people on December 19th. Please register on the Realm by December 12, or you can call Karen Hancock at the church to register.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY MINISTRY

Sun. NIGHT Parenting League

Dec. 13 (6:00-7:00p) - Multipurpose Room
Jennifer and I want to help you discover biblical support for your journey to raise Christ-centered children. This will be an encouraging time as we learn to manage parenting expectations and grow in our own walk with God.

Here's a taste of topics discussed:

- Parenting Together
- Model Self-Confidence for Your Kids

*Nursery and Childcare provided (PreK - 4th Grade in Gym)

(Why did I call it a, "League." Simple. One, it sounded FUN! And B, a league is defined as a group of individuals having a common goal. I like the sound of that! See you Sunday night!)

(RSVP if you require Nursery to Terry May (931-337-9235))

Wed. NIGHT WORSHIP

Dec. 16 (6:00-7:00p) - Multipurpose Room
Food, Fellowship, Worship, Study
EVERYBODY WELCOME!

Generation Bowl

Postponed, please watch for updates on Realm

Wed. NIGHT Christmas Party

Dec. 16 (6:00-7:00p) Multipurpose Room
FOOD, Devo, Contests and the Grinch Game!
Mark your digital calendars NOW!

Marriage Retreat - 2021

Feb 19-21 (6:00-7:00p)
The Cove / Asheville NC
Cost: \$250.00 per person
Deposit: \$50.00 due by **Jan 27** (Wed)

Marriage MENTORING

Two on Two Marriage Mentoring is available at Central. Trained Mentors are ready for Mentees. Give it a shot. Who knows, it may be exactly what your marriage needs right now. Email terrymaycbc@gmail.com and we'll get things started.

Family LIFE Journey

We believe that God designed the family as the primary place for discipleship. The Family LIFE Journey exists to partner with you as you guide your child's faith path one step at a time. Start the journey in your family by following the link below.
cbccrossville.faithpathweb.com

LEGACY MINISTRY

(50+ Adults)

SAVE THE DATES:

Grandparenting Summit Simulcast
March 18-19, 2021

Legacy Ministry Beach Week

May 3-10, 2021

Panama City Beach, FL

Each day we will offer an optional activity or two. Make your own transportation and housing arrangements. You choose your length of stay within the week. Additional information available soon i.e. Lodging and activity suggestions.

Branson, MO Charter Bus Trip

September 13-18, 2021

Information is available at the Legacy bulletin board. Registration and Deposits will be taken beginning in January 2021.

CENTRAL STUDENTS MINISTRY

Student Worship on Wednesdays

New Series: Canceled

Cancel culture is huge in our society right now. By taking a look at the examples of Jesus and other people in Scripture, we can know how to address this social phenomenon in a Christ-like way.

5:30 - Food
6:00 - Worship
7:00 - Groups
7:30 - Open Gym

Generation Bowl

Postponed, please watch for updates on Realm

Central Students Christmas Party

Wed., Dec. 16

Dinner, Games Tacky Christmas Sweater Contest and Dirty Santa! Dress up, bring a friend and a < \$5 gift, and get ready for a memorable night!

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Saturday, December 19, 7:30-9:00 am
Multipurpose Room

Kevin Hembree will be sharing his testimony, along with a virtual message from Robert Lewis, former Pastor of Fellowship Bible Church in Little Rock, AR. Breakfast will be served in individual packages. To help with seating and food prep, please respond to the Realm post or contact Chris Van Brocklin, kcvb@aol.com or 970-988-0440. You can also sign up at the men's table in the Atrium.

We need all signups by Wednesday, December 16

SAVE THE DATE

2021 NO REGRETS VIRTUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE
Saturday, February 6, 2021 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Central Baptist Church, Crossville
For more info, go to noregretsconference.org

VOLUNTEERS

DEACON OF THE WEEK: Keith Carroll
(931) 335-6625

PARKING LOT WATCH: (9:30-10:30) Carl Taylor
(11:00-12:30) Brian Wyatt
(Sat. Dec. 19, 2:00-3:30p) Homer Haines
(Sat. Dec. 19, 6:00-7:30p) Richard Wright

SANCTUARY CARE: (Dec. 14) Ellen Winters

HEART TO HOME VISITS (week of Dec. 14):

IN HOME VISITS: Betty Rich, Carol Beasore,
Mike & Christy Thompson

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED: Tom & Linda Barr
Mike & Christy Thompson

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Kids4Truth, Wednesday, December 16, 2020

Snacks Provided

NOTE: We WILL have Kids4Truth regardless of whether the Cumberland Co. School System is doing in person or remote learning. December 16th is the last Kids4Truth of 2020. We will resume on January 6th and will have our next Family Night on January 13th.

Q: What does God know?

A. God knows all things, even the secrets of our hearts.

V: Psalm 147:5 (ESV) - Great is our Lord and abundant in power. His understanding is beyond measure!

MEMORIZATION KEY:

PreK & Kindergarten - Words in Bold
1st & 2nd Grade - Underlined Words
3rd-6th Grade - Everything

PLEASE HELP EACH OTHER STAY HEALTHY!

- If you have COVID-19 symptoms or have had direct contact with someone who has COVID-19, please stay home and get well!
- We will be doing temperature checks as you arrive.
- Masks are encouraged, but optional.
- Wash/sanitize your hands frequently and avoid touching your face.
- Maintain physical distancing with those outside of your small group.

RECREATION MINISTRY

Pickleball

Hours: 12:45 to 3:45 p.m.

Mondays-Advanced, contact Dave Southall to sign up,
931-200-8521

Tuesdays-Beginners, contact Muffin Liskovec to sign up,
931-788-2198

Thursdays-Intermediates, contact Jeanne Foster to sign up,
931-335-0433

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder, and His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Might God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

