



CENTRAL CHURCH SEEKS TO HELP YOU LOVE GOD,
LOVE OTHERS AND SHARE THE TRUTH OF SALVATION
THROUGH JESUS.

Today @ Central Church

December 24, 2017

9:45—10:45 am	<p>Life Enrichment Studies Classes for all ages</p>	
11:00 am—12:15 pm	<p>Community Worship Service</p> <p><i>Offering of Praise</i> Hark the Herald Angels Sing #137</p> <p><i>Welcoming</i></p> <p><i>Worship in Prayer</i> I Love You, Lord #408</p> <p><i>Worship in Song</i> Angels From The Realms of Glory #135 His Name Is Wonderful #104</p> <p><i>Worship in Giving</i> Love Divine, All Love Excelling #34</p> <p><i>Worship in the Word</i> God's Love Deuteronomy 10:17-19</p> <p><i>Worship in Commitment</i> The Bond of Love #345</p> <p><i>Closing Prayer</i></p>	

Coming Events

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24th 6:00-7:00 pm

Join us for a time of Scripture reading, prayer, celebration and reflection as we share in the Lord's Supper.

Special Business Meeting

January 7th 12:30-1:30 pm

This meeting is being called to address our security protocols. Pizza lunch will be provided for all who will be staying after service for this meeting.

Advisory Board Meeting

January 25th 6:30-8:30 pm

Election of board officers and reception of ministry reports.

Thank You!

Thanks to all who came out for our Christmas caroling last week. We had a wonderful time sharing a little Christmas with the residents at Redwood of Raymore.



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Prayer Requests

Spiritual Needs

Unspoken
Davis Toe & family—moving to Texas

Material Needs

Those traveling
Sharon, job situation

Our Armed Forces

Brandon Koonce
Landon Koonce

Health Needs

Gwen Smith
Laura Griffie's dad, Tom
Kathy Yokely
Edwin Bowden
Caryn Tucker—ongoing health issues

Health Needs

Greg Griffie's dad, William
Mark McMinn's nephew, Chase
Anne Rule's brother, Bill
Alan's brother, Elmer
Mike & Wynona Dodd
Tim Smith's brother, Chris
Brian Machal, Tom's son
Shirley Bowden's sister, Barbara

Prayer Families of the Week

Brett & Beth Daire, Mason, Adam
Alex & Abby Schmedding

Advisory Board

Amy Smith ~ Chairman
Gary Breshears ~ Treasurer
Bill Weeks ~ Secretary
Brett Daire
Luis Guzman

Deacon Ministry Team

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Lyndell Harrington ~ 366-0077
Max Breshears ~ (913) 948-0010
Tim Smith ~ 806-1992
Gary Breshears ~ 518-8691
Brett Daire ~ 778-1786

Facility Board

Tim Smith
Max Breshears
Mathew Williams
Lyndell Harrington
Nancy Branham

For Prayer Chain requests please contact Pastor Alan at (816) 868-2080 or Nancy Branham at (816) 588-5418

Advent ~ God's Love
Deuteronomy 10:17-19

Love is an often misused word. We talk about loving things or experiences. True love only exists in relationships between people—and between God and His people. We not only need to understand what true love is, we need to know how to respond to it.

God Loves Us
It isn't about feelings...

God's love isn't based on favorites:

- He shows no partiality—

- He provides justice—

We Should Love God
It's still not about feelings...

There is one Great Commandment in the Bible—we are to love God:

- With all our heart—

- With all our soul—

- With all our might—

We Should Love Each Other
Nope—still not about feelings...

Jesus gave His disciples a “new” command—love as He loved:

- Actively—

- Sacrificially—

- Unconditionally—

A Closing Thought
Still not about feelings...

Jesus loved this way:

- Actively—

- Sacrificially—

- Unconditionally—

God did much more than simply “feel” for us. He showed us true love. He defended us, all of us, from our own rebellion and sins. Placing our faith in Jesus does not mean cleaning up our act and then asking Jesus into our lives. It means accepting what Jesus has already done for us, out of love, and asking for that connection to Him that God has always wanted. Will you accept God's love—today?

When we preach atonement, it is atonement planned by love, provided by love, given by love, finished by love, necessitated because of love. When we preach the resurrection of Christ, we are preaching the miracle of love. When we preach the return of Christ, we are preaching the fulfillment of love.

BILLY GRAHAM

<p><u>Nursery Worker</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><i>Service</i></td> <td style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><i>Worker</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Life Enrichment</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Gary Breshears</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Community Worship</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Nicole Breshears</td> </tr> </table>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Worker</i>	Life Enrichment	Gary Breshears	Community Worship	Nicole Breshears	<p><u>Audio-Visual Technician</u> Tim Smith</p> <p><u>Security</u> Mathew Williams</p> <p><u>Greeters/Hosts</u> Brett & Beth Daire</p>
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