



The Connection

**FEBRUARY
2024**

**Worship
Opportunities**

Sundays

9:00 AM

Traditional Service

10:00 AM

*Sunday School**

*(Loyal Berean, The Way Café,
Young Adults, Students, and Kids)*

11:00 AM

*Contemporary Service**

*SLAM! Kids Church
(2 years - 5th grade)*

Wednesdays

5:30 PM

Fellowship Meal

6:30 PM

*Adult Small Groups**

6:30 PM

Central Student Ministry

6:30 PM

Central Kids

**Nursery Provided*

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Meal at Melrose

Friday, February 16th

Come enjoy a fine dining experience with Central Student Ministry! Bring your family or loved ones for a Valentine's Day meal.

In-Person Dining Reservations:

5:00pm and 6:30pm

Carry-Out Option:

5:45pm



Advance Tickets Required!

Dessert included with each meal!

Suggested Ticket Donation:

Adults: \$20 Children 12 & under: \$10 Extra Dessert: \$5 each

*You may purchase tickets in the narthex, on the website, or in the Church Center app.
Sunday, February 11th is the final day to register.*

Entrées

Chicken and Risotto with Bread and Side Salad
Lasagna with Bread and Side Salad
Chicken Caesar Salad (available without chicken)

Dessert Options Included with Meal:

Blackbird Bakery Cake Slice

Extra Dessert (\$5): Blackbird Bakery Cake Slice
(Strawberry, Chocolate, Pink Almond)

Please contact Matt Mosher for more information. Proceeds benefit Central Student Ministry.

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Mark's Minute . . .

February has sometimes been called the "Love" month because it contains Valentine's Day. Many of us spend a lot of money expressing how we feel to our loved ones, buying cards, candy, flowers, etc. Some even go all out and take their Valentine to dinner or a movie and sometimes even go on a weekend get-away. Valentine's Day has become one of the top spending holidays of the year.

This year, I want us to think about love in the month of February, but I want us to think a little differently. I want us to think about how to express our love and God's love to people we come in contact with in the community. Remember, our mission is to Love God, Love People, and Serve Both. This is all part of our three-year ENGAGE plan. We will conclude our ENGAGE Bristol sermon series on February 18. On February 25, we will begin a new series called *Ordinary Angels*.

This series is based on a movie coming to theaters all over the United States by that same name. The movie will launch on February 23 and we want everyone in our church to see it! In fact, we are inviting you to watch the film with our entire church on Friday, February 23, at 6:35pm. Visit our website or church app to purchase your discounted tickets (\$5). You don't have to see the movie to get something out of the sermon series, but you will get more if you do. Janette and I were able to see an advanced showing of the movie for full-time ministry workers in October. We both agreed it was a powerful movie. Without giving too much away, the movie is based on a true story and shows how any of us can make a difference in the lives of others just by doing what we can to help, especially when we see people who have lost all hope.

We may not be angels sent from Heaven, but we can be ordinary people that God uses to help others in their time of need. The word angel in the Bible does often refer to celestial beings sent by God, but it can also refer to earthly people sent by God. Every day, we have the opportunity to be an ordinary angel to someone.

I hope you will join us at the theater and I also hope you will join us for a four-part Sermon Series beginning February 25 based on the theme of the movie (see series outline below). God bless you all and let's continue to ENGAGE the people of Bristol and spread the hope of Jesus, because we all know, **Hope Changes Everything!**

Love, Grace, & Peace,

Pastor Mark

Newsletter

Submission Deadline

If you or your group would like to place an article, meeting time, thank you note, etc. in the newsletter, please submit to the office by the 20th of the prior month. Submissions received after the 20th may not be included in the upcoming month. Thank you!



Sermon Series: "Ordinary Angels"

February 25 - "Purpose in Pain" (John 11:1-44)
March 3 - "Purpose in Doubt" (John 7:18-23)
March 10 - "Purpose in Leading Through Crisis" (1 Samuel 2:12-36)
March 17 - "Purpose in Brokenness" (Psalm 51)

Kris' Corner

If you know anything about me, you know my favorite sport is baseball. Since pitchers and catchers report to Spring Training in February, how about a few quick hitters? Here are some more details on a few important topics in February:

ENGAGE Bristol T-Shirts

For this year's theme t-shirts, we will operate a little differently. On top of doing a pre-order, we also have two different color shirts to choose from. Those who wear adult sizes may choose either Forest Green or Graphite Heather. Youth shirts are also available for purchase in the Graphite Heather color. All shirts are \$10 each. You can find the link to order your shirts on our website and in the church app. If you need help placing an order, please call the church office. All orders must be completed by Sunday, February 18.

Ordinary Angels Movie Night

As Mark mentioned in his article, we will begin a new sermon series on February 25 titled Ordinary Angels. This series will take a deeper look into the story of the movie that hits theaters on February 23. We've been told that this is one of the highest-rated movies from Lionsgate Films in their history! We plan to take our entire church to the movies to see the film together on Friday, February 23, at 6:35pm. To sweeten the deal for you and your family, we are offering our church a discounted rate of \$5 per ticket! If you plan to attend our church movie night, please sign-up for tickets on our website or church app! We can't wait to have a night at the theater with you!

Easter Choir Begins March 6

If you would like to sing with our Easter Choir this spring, be sure to save the date! Rehearsals take place on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm in the sanctuary.



Until next time,
Kris

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MISSIONS CORNER



Christian HolyLand Foundation is an over 35-year-old mission organization supported by Restoration Movement churches. We are the only organization from the Christian Churches and Churches of Christ focused on Israel and Palestine. Our mission is to partner with Christian believers native to the land of Christ to support outreach, discipleship, and benevolence projects. We are not political; we seek only to be faithful friends and partners to our family in Christ and introduce them to their brothers and sisters in America.

Matt Nance

Executive Director

<http://www.CHLF.ORG>

Please Pray for Our Missions

Valsa Abraham - Christian Evangelical Fellowship - India
Alex & Diana Aburto - Mexico
Agape Christian Mission - Haiti
Tim & Tammy Aho - Great Britain
Appalachian Christian Camp
Biblical Institute - Croatia
Bookworm Blessings
Steve, Kimberly, & Anna Bradley - Malawi
Bristol Emergency Food Pantry
Bristol Faith in Action
Christian Holyland Foundation - Israel
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Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Grace Resha - GoTEN
Haitian American Christian Ministry
Haven of Rest
Healing Hands Health Center
Blanche Hunefeld - Brazil
Kulpahar Children's Home - India
Meals on Wheels
Mango Tree Ministries - Ghanda



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Looking Ahead

- **Adult Bible Study**
Each Monday at 12:30pm (f. hall)
- **Ladies Bible Study**
Each Tuesday at 10:00am (conf. room)
- **Tour Israel Bible Study**
Each Thursday at 6:00pm
- **Mens Bible Study**
Each Friday at 6:30am
- **Scout Sunday**
Sunday, February 4th
- **Friendship Circle**
Tuesday, February 6th, 12:00pm (f. hall)
- **Dinner with the Scouts**
Wednesday, February 7th, 5:30pm
- **Moms Group**
Tuesday, February 13th and 27th, 6:30pm (connect room)
- **Meal at Melrose**
Friday, February 16th
- **Leadership Meetings**
Board - Monday, February 19th, 6:00pm
Elders - Thursday, February 22nd, 6:00pm
- **Sisters in Christ**
Tuesday, February 20th, 7:00pm (f. hall)
- **Loyal Bereans**
Thursday, February 22nd, 6:00pm (f. hall)
- **Men's Breakfast**
Saturday, February 24th, 8:30am (f. hall)
- **Card Ministry**
Monday, February 26th, 7:00pm (conf. room)

Join us on Wednesday Nights!

Enjoy dinner, fellowship, and programming.

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| 5:30pm | Fellowship Meal |
| 6:30pm | Adult Small Groups* |
| 6:30pm | Central Student Ministry |
| 6:30pm | Central Kids |

*Nursery Provided

Cost for meals: **\$5 donation per adult, \$2 per youth/child, or \$12 donation for families of four or more.**

February Menu

FEBRUARY 7 - DINNER WITH THE SCOUTS - Sloppy Joes, Baked Beans, and Chips

FEBRUARY 14 - HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!! - Pork Medallions, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, and Rolls

FEBRUARY 21 - Sausage w/Potatoes and Onions, Green Beans, and Cornbread

FEBRUARY 28 - Hamburger Vegetable Soup, Salad, and Cornbread

*All meals will include Salad, Dessert, and Drink.
Need a kid's meal? Visit our church app to pre-register.*

Sympathy



To the:

Elizabeth Leonard Family
(David Leonard's mother)

Sam Morton Family

Billy Shepperd
(Linda Shepperd's husband)

Tonny Stacy Family

Memorials

*A memorial donation has been received
in loving memory of:*

Elizabeth Leonard

by:

Charles Sams (Meals on Wheels)
Donna Allen (Loyal Bereans)

Carl Lewis

by:

Jimmie & Caffie West (Bookworm Blessings)

Sam Morton

by:

Joseph and Nell Meredith
Ranny & Sandra Rutherford

Tonny Stacy

by:

CCC Adult Choir (Longbrake Scholarship)
Teresa Hagy (Meals on Wheels)
Charles Sams (Meals on Wheels)
Ranny & Sandra Rutherford

Just a note to say...

Thank you so much for the gifts. It is greatly appreciated. As a single mother of three, this was hard this year. The girls loved everything. God Bless,

Makayla, Cymphani, Teigenn, and Karma (Angel Tree recipients)

Thank you to Eddie and Kitty Barker and Dennis and Vicky Holbrook for helping me with my Christmas decorations. I've made a donation to the church in your honor.

Eva Hill

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CENTRAL KIDS' MINISTRY



Cooper's Connection

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Ellis Barnett
Ezekiel Carrier**

Happy Valentine's Day

Service Project Wednesdays

Join us on Wednesday nights for a short lesson and a fun service project to follow! Let's be the hands and feet of Jesus!



Save the Date! June 17-21

Registration is soon! Volunteer sign-ups happening now! Talk to Cooper if you would like to lead a class or assist with our VIVID camp!

Cooper's CHALLENGE

There are three types of love explained in the bible. Eros (husband and wife love), Philos (friendly love), and Agape (God's love). Write and draw a "philos" card to 3 different people and give it to them this month. Then, on a sheet of paper, write down who you sent your cards to and why it's important for us to show love to others and turn that into me!

Turn this in to Mrs. Cooper by the end of the month and get a prize!



The Mosher Family

Matt's Moment

Matt Mosher, Minister of Youth & Connection

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SAVE THE DATE!

Feb 16 - Meal at Melrose

CIY Interest Survey - Due 2/7

March 1 - Clara Longbrake Scholarship Application Due

March 23-24 - Yard Sale!

Meal at Melrose

On Friday, February 16, Central Students would like to invite you to Meal at Melrose! We will transform the Fellowship Hall into a fine-dining establishment. If you prefer the TO GO option, carry out will still be available. You may find more information (menu & dessert options, pick-up times, etc) on the front of the Newsletter or in the Narthex. While we encourage meal orders through the church app and website, you may purchase tickets on Sundays in the narthex leading up to the event. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Matt.

CIY Move - Summer Conference

CIY Move is an amazing week of connecting with God and others! We are looking for parent and student feedback on the week we registered for: June 24 - 29 (Mon - Sat). Cost will be around \$430 with opportunities to fundraise most or all of the cost. If you are or have a student in grades 8th - 12th, would you fill out an interest survey by Feb 7th to help us know your interest and availability? If so, visit our website and app.

Yard Sale - March 22 & 23

The Yard Sale will be here before we know it! We want you to know so you have time to prepare. We love our church family and how much you save and plan to donate to the yard sale to support Central Students!

If you would be willing to help with the yard sale, please let Matt know!



FEBRUARY 2024

FEBRUARY 4	FEBRUARY 11	FEBRUARY 18	FEBRUARY 25
ELDER 1 - COMMUNION BILL PARKER/MATT MOSHER	ELDER 1 - COMMUNION ERIC REECHER	ELDER 1 - COMMUNION D SIMERLY	ELDER 1 - COMMUNION RICK TALLMAN
ELDER 2 - OFFERING, SICK & SHUT-IN JOHN CULP	ELDER 2 - OFFERING, SICK & SHUT-IN DAVID HACKER	ELDER 2 - OFFERING, SICK & SHUT-IN DAVID HICKS	ELDER 2 - OFFERING, SICK & SHUT-IN DENNIS HOLBROOK
SERVING/SAFETY TEAM LEADER 8:30 - TIM GREENWOOD 10:30 - GABE HERNANDEZ	SERVING/SAFETY TEAM LEADER 8:30 - GRANT PENNINGS 10:30 - KELCEY RENFROE	SERVING/SAFETY TEAM LEADER 8:30 - EUGENE WOODYBY 10:30 - JOEL POWERS	SERVING/SAFETY TEAM LEADER 8:30 - TIM ARGENBRIGHT 10:30 - BRANDON MANN
COMMUNION DIANE ARTRIP	COMMUNION DIANE ARTRIP	COMMUNION THE POWERS	COMMUNION THE POWERS
GREETERS 8:45 - BILL GALLIHER 10:45 - CIARA BELCHER	GREETERS 8:45 - BILL GALLIHER 10:45 - GABE HERNANDEZ	GREETERS 8:45 - BILL GALLIHER 10:45 - EILEEN LIGHTCAP	GREETERS 8:45 - BILL GALLIHER 10:45 - BRODIE/CAINAN MEYERS
WELCOME CENTER 8:45 - KITTY BARKER 10:45 - APRIL BELCHER	WELCOME CENTER 8:45 - CATHERINE POWERS 10:45 - JANET HERNANDEZ	WELCOME CENTER 8:45 - LINDA DEULING 10:45 - TAMARA MICKELSON	WELCOME CENTER 8:45 - CATHY CREGER 10:45 - THE MEYERS
GOLF CART BOBBY MOSER	GOLF CART DANIEL POWERS	GOLF CART RAYMOND PATRICK	GOLF CART GABE HERNANDEZ
CHILDREN'S DEPT.			
KIDS CHURCH 11:00 LEAD - COOPER MANGRUM HELPER - COURTNEY WORTHY	KIDS CHURCH 11:00 LEAD - D SIMERLY HELPER - COURTNEY WORTHY	KIDS CHURCH 9:00 LEAD - COOPER MANGRUM HELPER - COURTNEY WORTHY	KIDS CHURCH 11:00 LEAD - COOPER MANGRUM HELPER - COURTNEY WORTHY
PRESCHOOL 11:00-12:00 2'S & 3'S - COLLEEN BELEW 4'S & 5'S - DON SHELLEY TEACHER - KATELYN OVERTON CRAFTS - MORGAN FORAN	PRESCHOOL 11:00-12:00 2'S & 3'S - JAMIE ALVARADO 4'S & 5'S - DON SHELLEY TEACHER - VICKIE VAN HALL CRAFTS - VANESSA MEYERS	PRESCHOOL 11:00-12:00 2'S & 3'S - ELLA SUMPTER 4'S & 5'S - CONNIE AZURE TEACHER - MORGAN FORAN CRAFTS - KATELYN OVERTON	PRESCHOOL 11:00-12:00 2'S & 3'S - JAMIE ALVARADO 4'S & 5'S - DON SHELLEY TEACHER - VICKIE VAN HALL CRAFTS - VICKY HOLBROOK
FLOATER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY	FLOATER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY	FLOATER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY	FLOATER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY
NURSERY 9:45 - 12:15 (0 THRU 1 YR) MARY ARGENBRIGHT REGINA BOWMAN	NURSERY 9:45 - 12:15 (0 THRU 1 YR) REGINA BOWMAN BROOKE PENNINGS	NURSERY 8:45 - 11:15 (0 THRU 1 YR) MARY ARGENBRIGHT BROOKE PENNINGS	NURSERY 9:45 - 12:15 (0 THRU 1 YR) MARY ARGENBRIGHT KORI MOSHER
10:00 - 11:00 (2 THRU 4 YRS) CAROLEE HACKER CYRINDA CRAWFORD	10:00 - 11:00 (2 THRU 4 YRS) CAROLEE HACKER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY	10:00 - 11:00 (2 THRU 4 YRS) CATHERINE POWERS DANIEL POWERS	10:00 - 11:00 (2 THRU 4 YRS) CAROLEE HACKER CYRINDA CRAWFORD

WEDNESDAYS

FEBRUARY 7	FEBRUARY 14	FEBRUARY 21	FEBRUARY 28
SECURITY JOEL POWERS	SECURITY EUGENE WOODYBY	SECURITY BOBBY MOSER	SECURITY TIM GREENWOOD
NURSERY KORI MOSHER BROOKE PENNINGS	NURSERY KORI MOSHER REGINA BOWMAN	NURSERY REGINA BOWMAN BROOKE PENNINGS	NURSERY MARY ARGENBRIGHT KORI MOSHER

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 Scout Sunday	5 12:30pm Adult Bible Study	6 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 12:00pm Friendship Circle	7 5:30pm Wednesday Evening Programs Dinner with the Scouts	8 6:00pm Tour Israel Bible Study	9 6:30am Men's Bible Study	10
11	12 12:30pm Adult Bible Study	13 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Moms Group	14  5:30pm Wednesday Evening Programs	15 6:00pm Tour Israel Bible Study	16 6:30am Men's Bible Study Meal at Melrose 	17
18	19 12:30pm Adult Bible Study 6:00pm Board Meeting	20 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Lead Central 7:00pm Sisters in Christ	21 5:30pm Wednesday Evening Programs	22 6:00pm Tour Israel Bible Study 6:00pm Loyal Berean Class 6:00pm Elder Meeting	23 6:30am Men's Bible Study 6:35pm Ordinary Angels Movie Night	24 8:30am Men's Breakfast
25	26 12:30pm Adult Bible Study 7:00pm Card Ministry	27 10:00am Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm Moms Group	28 5:30pm Wednesday Evening Programs	29 6:00pm Tour Israel Bible Study	