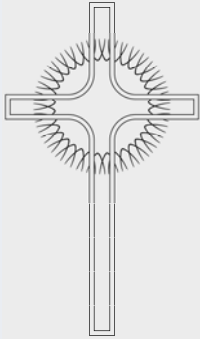


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## This Week's Calendar

Tuesday, February 13  
7:00 PM Elders' Meeting  
7:00 PM World Religions Group

Elders' Meeting Tonight  
7:00 PM in the Parlor

Wednesday, February 14  
10:00 AM Women's Prayer Group  
6:00 PM CWF Valentine Dinner  
7:15 PM Choir

Thursday, February 15  
7:00 PM Sawdust Makers

**Sunday, February 18**  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship  
12:15 PM New Member Lunch & Orientation  
12:15 PM Coffee Fellowship

Monday, February 19  
President's Day – Church Office Closed

Tuesday, February 20  
9:00 AM *The Good News* article deadline  
10:30 AM CWF Board Meeting  
7:00 PM World Mission Awareness  
7:00 PM World Religions

Wednesday, February 21  
10:00 AM Women's Prayer Group  
6:00 PM Bells  
7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service  
7:15 PM Choir

## New Member Lunch & Orientation

**A no-obligation orientation to the life and mission of Central Christian Church will be held Sunday, February 18**

It will start with a catered lunch at 12:30 p.m. (after worship) and be done by 3:00 p.m. So we can have the right amount of food, please make a reservation in the church office or by phoning 214-526-7291.



## Messy Spirituality

*“My life is a mess. After years of trying to follow Jesus, I keep losing him in the crowded busyness of my life. I wake up most days with the humiliating awareness that I have no clue where Jesus is.”*

Michael Yaconelli, author of the book *Messy Spirituality*

Whether you want to find Jesus in your mess or help a neighbor struggling with a mess, these six messages by Norman Stolpe are for you and for your neighbor. Michael Yaconelli’s book and the Gospel of Luke will guide our search for Jesus in life’s messy reality.

Invite a neighbor to come with you to this six Sunday Count Down to Easter (the season the Church calls Lent) at 11:00 AM.

- February 25: “My Life is a Mess”
- March 4: “Preach Your Doubts”
- March 11: “Incompetent Reader”
- March 18: “A Real Wedding”
- March 25: “Cigarettes and Diapers”
- April 1: “Say Good-Bye to Jesus”

### Food for the Soul

#### Contemplative Worship for Lent

7:00 PM in the Chapel

**Ash Wednesday - February 21**

**Maundy Thursday - April 5**

**Good Friday - April 6**

Nourishing Reading:

The stories Todd Boddy is telling to introduce Norman Stolpe's Sunday messages for Lent come from Michael Yaconelli's book *Messy Spirituality*. During Lent, we will have copies available for you to purchase.

If you are looking for something more conventional, we will also have copies of *Soul Feast* by Marjorie J. Thompson. Both books will be available in Fellowship Hall during fellowship time and in the church office during the week.

### Baptism Preparation for Young People

Young people who are interested in baptism and church membership are invited to meet with Pastor Stolpe in room 206 at 9:45 AM each Sunday in March (4, 11, 18 and 25). These sessions will cover the meaning of:

- Confessing faith in Jesus
- Being members of the Church
- Being baptized
- Participating in the Lord’s Supper

## **Week of Compassion Special Offering February 18 & 25**

Gifts to Week of Compassion support programs that help our neighbors around the world build lives and communities that are healthy, safe and sustainable, making a huge difference in the lives of millions of families — creating sustainable sources of income for rural villages providing women micro-credit to start poverty-escaping businesses teaching trades and job skills to people maimed by landmines offering children a chance to survive past the age of five and go to school helping rebuild communities ravaged by natural disasters and so much more.

Week of Compassion gives each of us an opportunity to be the Good Samaritan to thousands of our neighbors. Through our gifts, we show the kindness, compassion and mercy to which Jesus calls us. This year we will celebrate our Week of Compassion special offering on February 18 and 25.

## **Planning on Getting Married?**

Central Christian Church requires those wishing to be married in our church to take part in a marriage preparation program. Four two-hour sessions are scheduled three times a year. These sessions must be completed before the ceremony can take place. Participants need to call the church office to reserve a place in the next session.

The next series of classes will run in March and again in April/May. Call Mary Ann Duckworth at 972.247.3607 if interested and for more information.

## **Remember Food Sunday February 11**

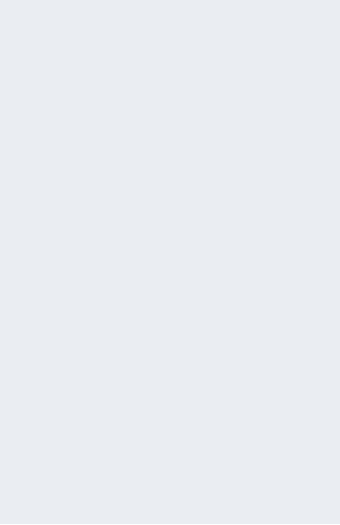
Did Food Sunday slip your mind? Please don't forget this week when you go grocery shopping to pick up an item or two for the food baskets. When both baskets are full they will be transported to North Dallas Shared Ministries. *“So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.”* Galatians 6:9

## **TeleWorship**

Worship together every Sunday, even if you can't be physically present. At 10:55 AM phone 1.866.844.6291 and enter the access code: 6371829.

## **Please Keep in Your Prayers this Week**

- Marianne Flanders
- Nell Gammon
- Herbert Hale
- Paul Hanson
- Josephine Jack
- Ralph Livengood
- Earl Mikel
- Kathleen Morrison

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- Alice Oates
  - Kathy Owens
  - Jesse & Virginia Parman
  - The Stolpe Family
  - Karen Woods