# Central Church of Christ, Spartanburg SC

*"Loving God and Loving Others We Will Reach Our World for Jesus"*

**WORSHIP CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, SPARTANBURG, SC – December 3, 2023**

**Welcome, Announcements & Prayer – JD Morris**

**Call to Worship & Songs of Praise – Chris Thompson**

-- **Isaiah 9:2** "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined."

— Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
— Heavenly Sunlight
— Here I Am to Worship
— Jesus Paid It All

-- **Lord's Supper – Mike Pinkstaff, leading** – Anyone who is a follower of Jesus is invited to participate in this Communion.
**Colossians 1:12-13** "Thank You, Father, as You have made us worthy to receive our portion of the inheritance given to all those set apart by the light. You have rescued us from dark powers and brought us safely into the kingdom of Your Son, whom You love."

-- **Giving Back to the Lord – Mike Pinkstaff, leading**
**2 Corinthians 9:15** "Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!"

-- **Prayer & Scripture – Judges 13:1-5 – Adam Taber, leading**

-- **Sermon – ""You Are My Sunshine!" – 2nd Lesson in the series, "Miraculous" – Ernie Thigpen, teaching**

— Heaven Came Down

-- **Elder Encouragement – Tim Fagan**

**"You Are My Sunshine!" – 2nd Lesson in the series, "Miraculous"**

**Judges 13**

**1. A birth of someone special.**
- Samson is the one biblical **J**_____ the Bible gives details of his **B**____.
- His birth is **A**_____ by a heavenly messenger, an **A**_____.
- In this, Samson joins only **I**_____, **J**_____ the **B**_____ and **J**_____.

**2. A future rescuer for God's people.**
- Unlike previous cycles in Judges, this time Israel was **N**_____ calling out to the Lord for **R**_____.
- The **L**_____ is **F**_____ even when His people are **N**_____.
- Aren't you glad that God's help is not **L**_____ to those blessings for which we **A**_____?
- But there are **C**_____ for forgetting to **F**_____ or failing to **R**_____ and **R**_____ to the Lord. (____ **Y**_____**!**)

**3. A present deliverance for a childless couple.**
- God appeared **F**_____ to Manoah's wife **T**_____ times.
- God isn't reluctant to use **W**_____ in significant ways throughout redemptive history, even against **C**_____ **E**_____.
- Samson's **L**___**-M**_____was given to his parents who **I**_____ accepted God's revealed will for their lives and their child's life.
- Samson's father **P**_____ for **D**_____ guidance to raise their son.
- A great prayer for all parents: "Lord, **T**_____ us, how to raise our child(ren). **S**_____ us what will **R**_____ their lives."
- If we want to be **U**_____ by God, then we **M**_____ **P**_____.

**4. The Wonderful Sunshine of the Lord.**
- Manoah's wife, who was once barren, gave birth to a son she names "**S**_____", which means "**L**_____ **S**_____."
- Manoah asked of the angel of the Lord, "What is your name, so that we may honor you when your word comes true?" He replied, "Why do you ask my name? It is **B**_____ **U**_____" (Judges 13:17-18).
- "Beyond Understanding" is the same word used of the promised Messiah, "**W**_____ Counselor" (Judges 13:18; Isaiah 9:6).
- Samson "**B**_____" the deliverance of the people of God from their enemies, the Philistines (Judges 13:5).
- Jesus "**F**_____" the deliverance of the people of God from our sin and death (John 19:30).

# Central Church of Christ Prayer List

| PRAISE & CONCERN | DATE |
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| It is with deep sadness we express our deepest sympathy and condolences to the **Bird family** on the sudden passing of their **husband, father, and grandfather, Dan Bird.** After being taken by ambulance, he passed Friday, December 1 at Spartanburg Regional. Please pray fervently for peace, comfort and strength during this extremely difficult time. A memorial service is being planned and details will be announced when finalized. | **12/2/23** |
| Please continue to pray for Brian May's dad, **Dudley,** who is in hospice care. Please also pray for **Brian and Eric** strength, comfort and peace as they make decisions and care for their dad. | **11/28/23** |
| Praise that **Janet McIntyre's** back is improving and has been released to go back to work part time with restrictions. She had a 2nd spinal injection on Monday, November 20. She's experiencing more pain afterward, but they said that's expected. Please pray for continued healing. | **11/21/23** |
| Phyllis Hyden fell Saturday night, November 11. She fractured a couple bones in her shoulder and had a large bump and bruising on her face. Please pray for pain relief, peace and healing as it will take time. | **11/17/23** |
| *Continued Prayers For:* ***Imogene Schults, Shannon Woodroof, Pat Sabo, Janet Raker, Linda Kunkle, Courtney Allen, Ray Fletcher, Mike Wilson, Harrison Whitener*** | |
| *Those Recently Baptized:* ***Reese Silver, Doug Westbury, Teresa Westbury, Rayleigh Catoe, Asher Schuette, Brandon Smith, DJ Bryant, Malachi Blades, Elise Autry. Dakota Goodman, Courtney Allen, Ben Jurek, Gabriella Jennemann, Arabella Autry, Hattie Brooks, Leith Murph, Glenn Housand, Amanda Housand, Aubrey Housand*** | |
| *Guests and Central Family: Thank you for praying for those on the list and their families. We appreciate your help in keeping us up to date with your prayer requests and concerns. God Bless You!* *Printed on December 2, 2023* | |

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## *UPCOMING EVENTS…*

- **Nov 29-Feb 28 Women's Bible Study: Video, Study Guide & Book – *"Jesus Over Everything"* by Lisa Whittle/ Men's Bible Study & Fellowship – "12 (7 + 5)" - 7pm Every Wednesday**
- **Dec 5 Women's Ministry Christmas Celebration @ 6:30 in the Annex**
- **Dec 8 Kidz Central "The Polar Express" Christmas Party 6pm-8:30pm**

SCAN THE CODE WITH YOUR CAMERA TO COMPLETE A DIGITAL CONNECTION/PRAYER FORM

DECEMBER
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES
1 JULIANA WILSON
2 ELLIE BROOKS
3 DEREK BROWNING
3 REESE BROOKS
3 JANET RAKER
4 SHANDA MAYS
5 NATASHA MAYS
5 BERNHARD NEES
6 LOGAN WILSON
11 STEPHANIE LONG
15 SHERYL MORIARTY
18 SAVANNAH BALL
20 NOAH HOWLAND
22 LINDA MCKENZIE
22 KASEE BALL
22 RYAN ALLEN
23 RAIN REMICK
24 HAROLD THOMAS
27 DONNIE PUTNAM
27 JILL BROWN
28 ADAM TABER
30 SAMUEL MAKUNE
31 PEYTON GREENE
7 SUNDAY & IDARA EKENAM
11 RANDY & JANET RAKER
21 MARK & LEA ANNE ZIMMERLI