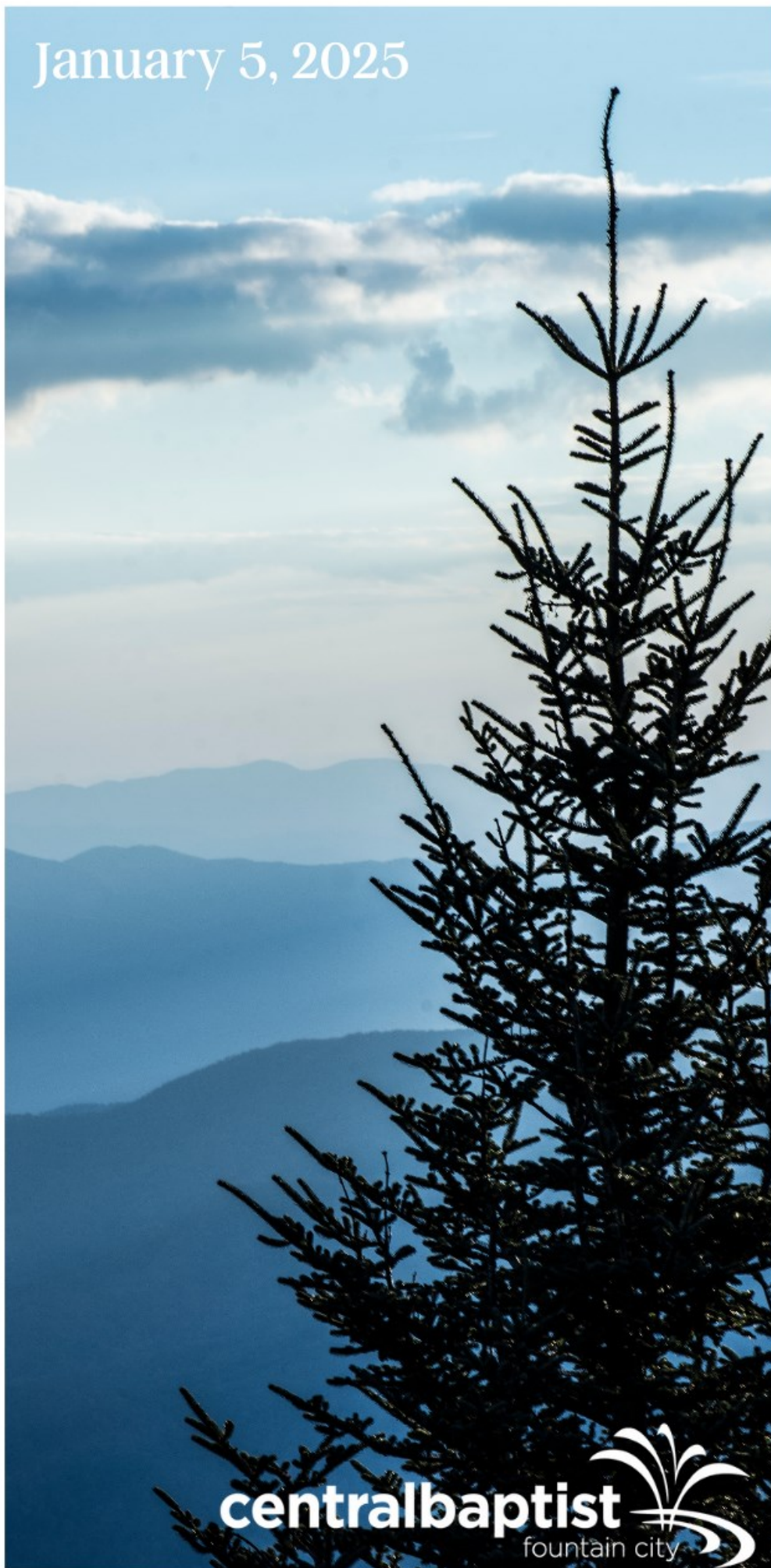


January 5, 2025



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From Your Pastor

On the last day I worked out in 2024, one of the members at my gym remarked, "Well, the next time we're here, it's going to be crowded!" Do you make New Year's resolutions?

Whether or not you participate in that tradition, this is a good time to take stock and reflect on the past year.

While reading throughout the Christmas season, I was drawn to the story of Josiah, King of Judah. His story begins in 2 Kings 22 and spans just a couple of chapters.

Josiah is introduced this way: He did what was right in the sight of the Lord and walked in all the way of his father David; he did not turn aside to the right or to the left.

After reigning for 18 years, King Josiah focused on repairing the house of the Lord. During this process, an ancient book of the law was discovered. When Josiah heard it read, he realized that the people of Judah had not followed the law for generations.

Josiah gathered all the people, had the law read aloud, and made a covenant with the Lord, committing to walk in his ways and obey his commands. It is said that there was no king like Josiah, who turned to the Lord with all his heart, soul, and might.

What could the year 2025 bring if we dedicated ourselves to the Lord and honored Him with our hearts, souls, and strength?

Happy New Year!

Ande

A graphic featuring the words "Happy New Year" in a black, cursive font. The word "Happy" is positioned above "New Year". To the right of the text is a stylized illustration of a firework or starburst in shades of orange and yellow.

Online Connections

www.cbfc.org

www.Vimeo.com/cbfc for our online service

Upcoming events, conversation &

photos on Facebook and Instagram @cbcfountaincity

Weekly Opportunities

Sunday School

Sundays at 9:15 am

There are Bible study classes for all ages!

Visit cbcfc.org/about/sunday-school/ for a list of classes.

Media Center

Come take advantage of the resources your church library

has to offer! Open Sundays 8:30am - 10:20am

Wednesdays 9:30 am - 12pm; 2pm - 4pm; and 5:30-6pm

Family Life Center

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday | 8am – 8pm

Wednesday | 8am – 2pm and Friday | 8am – noon

The fitness calendar can be found on our website at

cbcfc.org/calendar/fitness/

Wednesday Night

Life

IS BACK!

**ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES
RESUME THIS WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 8!!**

Pre-K thru 5th grade. 6-7:30pm. Children's Space

6th-12th grade 7-8:30pm. Youth Space

Sunday Night for College & Young Adults

Resumes 1/12/15. 7-8pm. cturner@cbcfc.org for info

Wednesday Night for Adults

Handbells. 5:30-6:30pm Lynnwood 3rd Floor

Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:45-8pm Music Suite

Devotion with Ande Myers. 7pm. Facebook

Preschool Worship Workers

January 5 Janna Gadd, Jackson Gadd, Josie Gadd,
Blake Gadd, Logan Gadd

January 12 Jonathan & Kristen Jackson, Sheila Davis, Bethany Bates



Sermon Notes

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

What gain have the workers from their toil? I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

Upcoming Events

SENIOR GAME DAY FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, January 9

Fellowship Hall | 11am

PRIZES
AWARDED!

**Bring your favorite crockpot of soup or sandwiches
to share for lunch. Drinks provided.**

Sign up with Debbie in the church office: 865-688-2421

Sunday Morning Worship

January 5, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Prelude	<i>God of Grace</i>	arr. Manz
Welcome to Worshipers		Rev. Ande Myers
Celebration of Believers' Baptism		Mason Cargo Owen Hensley
Hymn No. 349	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>	
Disaster Relief Presentation		Kate McKinnie Vice President of Resource Development Appalachia Service Project
Hymn No. 658	<i>Let Your Heart Be Broken</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Eddie Vineyard
Choral Worship	<i>Cornerstone</i>	arr. Sorenson
Message	<i>The Case for an Unhurried Life</i>	Rev. Ande Myers Ecclesiastes 3:1-13
Hymn	<i>Another Year Is Dawning</i>	
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	Wesley

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