

November 19, 2017

9:30 a.m.

*One of the principal rules of religion is, to lose no occasion of serving God. And, since He is invisible to our eyes, we are to serve Him in our neighbor; which He receives as if done to Himself in person, standing visibly before us. ~John Wesley, Anglican cleric and theologian, co-founded Methodism*

## Prelude

**\*Processional Hymn** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* No. 559

## Welcome & Announcements

## Meditation and Contemplation

*~Sense God's calming and peaceful Spirit for a few moments in gratitude~*

## Call to Worship

One: Merciful God, we come before You with praise and thanksgiving!

**All: *Through Jesus Christ, you have lavished on us every Spiritual blessing we could possibly imagine!***

One: Before the world was created, You already knew us and loved us.

**All: *You adopted us as Your own children, and redeemed us Through the blood of Christ.***

One: You have made us your heirs, and sanctified us with Your own Spirit

**All: *Open our hearts and minds to Your presence among us here. May our worship this morning bring You honor and glory, Amen.***

## Prayer of Invocation

*God of mystery and extravagant blessings, we come to praise You, to lift Your name on high. We come because we hunger for You, we sing our songs because we are eager and glad to, we pray for Your grace for we are in need of it, and we ask for the love of Christ in our hearts because without it we are lost. How foolish when we ever try to understand all Your ways or limit you by our imagination. May our worship reflect Your goodness, responding to You with our heart, mind and soul. May our gratitude be shown to others in our actions.*

## Gloria Patri

No. 623

## Anthem

*There is a Balm in Gilead*

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns

*~Silent Meditation~*



## Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

## Offering & Offertory

### Friendship Forms

*Please pass along your pew so that each person may sign.*

## \*Doxology

No. 625

## \*Hymn

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

No. 562

## Scripture Text

**Psalms: 34:1-3 69:30; 107:8-9; 100:4;  
Ephesians 1:4-2:22**

## Sermon

*May Our Gratitude to God Be A Magnitude  
Of Servitude*

## \*Hymn Request

*Now Thank We All Our God*

No. 556

## Benediction

## Postlude

*The Worship is ended...Our Service Now Begins*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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Today's liturgist is Dorothy Strang.

### **Flowers for Sunday Worship**

You may honor or remember a loved one or a special event by participating in our Memorial Flower Fund with a suggested donation of \$30. Use an order form in the parlor to select a date and indicate the name or occasion to be remembered.

### **Joys & Concerns**

If you have a need or a celebration you would like to share, please speak with our pastor or forward the information to the church office.

### **Bulletin Announcements**

Please submit announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the church office by 10:00 a.m. on the preceding Wednesday.

### **Coffee Hour**

If you would like to volunteer to serve coffee and/or bring food for our Sunday coffee hour, please sign up on the sheet in the gathering space kitchen.

### **Sermons**

If you would like a copy of a sermon please contact the church office.

### **Church Office**

Our church office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. You also may reach Tanya Crowley, administrative assistant, at [tanya@cbcjamestown.com](mailto:tanya@cbcjamestown.com). Kurt Satherlie, pastor, is in the office on Mondays through Thursdays. You also may reach him at [rev.kurt@cbcjamestown.com](mailto:rev.kurt@cbcjamestown.com) or (860)-944-5158.

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## **Central Baptist Church**

**An American Baptist Church  
A Community Congregation**

**Jamestown, Rhode Island**

**Rev. Kurt Satherlie, Pastor**



## **CBC Christmas Fair**

**Saturday, December 2**

**9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

Here are ways to lend a hand as we prepare for our annual Christmas Fair.

### ***Gift Baskets***

Sign up to donate items for a theme gift basket. Baskets and their contents will be due on Sunday, November 19.

### ***Silent Auction***

Donate a service (i.e., babysitting, tutoring, cooking) for the fair's silent auction. Gift cards/certificates and items such as jewelry, pieces of art, and collectibles also are welcome contributions for the auction.

### ***Baked Goodies***

Sign up to bake goods for our bake table. A sign-up sheet will be available in the church parlor.

### ***Christmas Items***

Donate holiday items—ornaments, candles, decorations, etc.—for the fair's Christmas table.

### ***Wreath Decorating***

Decorate wreaths, which will be sold at the fair, after the worship service on Sunday, November 26. If you have greens, greens with berries, and/or other decorations that you are willing to donate, please bring them that Sunday. Please also bring a pair of clippers if available.

### ***Fair Volunteers***

Plan to work during the fair. We will need as many volunteers as possible—especially volunteers who are able to arrive in time to set up, work throughout the fair, and help with cleanup. We also will need volunteers to help during the week prior to the fair. Sign-up sheets will be available in the church parlor.

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## **WELCOME TO CBC**

Welcome to Central Baptist Church. Please join us following the service for coffee hour in Clarke Hall. If you have questions about our congregation, please speak with our pastor.

Large-print bulletins and hearing-assistance devices are available for today's service.

If you need nursery care for an infant or preschooler, during worship, please speak with the deacon at the sanctuary door.

Elementary-age children may leave for Sunday school after Anthem.

Teaching Sunday School today is: Kathleen Williams and Deb Nordstrom.

Deacon of the month is Jean Britton.

## **TODAY AT CBC**

### ***Poinsettia Orders***

With the holiday season quickly approaching, and to help make the Sanctuary look festive, we will have the poinsettia order forms available in the church parlor today. The deadline line for the forms is Sunday, December 10.

### ***Christmas Fair Baskets***

The theme baskets for our Christmas Fair are due today.

## **THIS WEEK AT CBC**

### ***Conspire 2017: Transformation***

Join us at CBC on Monday's 9:30-11 a.m. to view and discuss the presentations from the Conspire 2017 conference. The theme of this year's conference is TRANSFORMATION: The separate self is the major problem, not the shadow self, which only takes deeper forms of disguise. The shadow self can be defined as those negative aspects of ourselves, which we deny and/or defend. The separate self does not recognize the divine nature present in all beings and makes choices focused on personal gain and desires and not the greater good. Classes run until December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Little Dresses for Africa**

The mission of “Little Dresses for Africa” is to provide relief to children of Africa, by distributing home-made dresses to little girls, primarily in African villages, but also other countries in crisis. These meetings will be this Monday from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in Clarke Hall.

### ***Courier* Deadline**

The deadline for the December issue of our church newsletter is Wednesday, November 22, at 9:00 a.m. Please send your materials to [cbc@cbcjamestown.com](mailto:cbc@cbcjamestown.com) or leave them in the *Courier* mailbox

### **Christmas Wreath Decorating**

We are looking for volunteers to help make wreaths on next Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall (basement). Supplies will be on hand, but if you have sheers to cut greens, please bring them. If you have any questions, please contact Jill or Dave Dolce.

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

### **Congregational Meeting**

Please join us on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> after the worship service for a congregational meeting. The meeting will be to vote on approval to spend money on fixing the stained glass windows on the south side of the church.

### **Adopt a Family**

This Christmas season we will be doing the Adopt a Family. This year we have is two local families of three and a Two local Seniors and a local man in the military. There will be a list of items needed for these families in the church parlor. The deadline for these items will be Sunday, December 10.

## **CBC OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Prayer Chain**

Would you like to be part of CBC’s prayer chain—a group of people who pray for various needs in and outside our church family? If so, please speak with Joanne Hulme at 423-2368

### **Wreath Making Greens**

We are in need of berries and greens, such as winterberry, white pine, cedar, cedar with the blue berries, boxwood, juniper, or any other type of greens that could be used to make the wreaths. Please contact Jill Dolce 842-9661 or Dave Dolce 374-2858.

## **CBC CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**

### **Sunday, November 19**

9:30 a.m.      Worship Service  
9:45 a.m.      Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.     Coffee Hour

### **Monday, November 20**

9:30 a.m..     Conspire 2017: Transformation  
1:00 p.m.      Little Dresses for Africa

### **Tuesday, November 21**

8:00 a.m.      Walking Party

### **Wednesday, November 22**

9:00 a.m.      Courier Deadline

### **Thursday, November 23—*Thanksgiving Day***

(Church office closed)

### **Sunday, November 26**

9:30 a.m.      Worship Service  
9:45 a.m.      Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.     Coffee Hour  
11:00 a.m.     Wreath Decorating

### **Saturday, December 2**

9:00 a.m.      CBC Christmas Fair

### **Sunday, December 3**

Communion Sunday  
9:30 a.m.      Worship Service  
9:45 a.m.      Sunday School  
10:30 a.m.     Coffee Hour

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### **Attendance on Sunday, November 12**

Worship Service: 55    Sunday School: 2

***\*\*\* 150<sup>th</sup> T-Shirts, Hats & Cat’s Meow CBC Figurines will be on sale during today’s Coffee/Fellowship hour\*\****

