

# WELCOME

**WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE** and we want to help you get connected and grow in your Christian walk. Please visit our Welcome Center to ask for help with various CBC ministries for all ages. A complete listing of our staff, ministries, and Sunday messages can be found at [www.cbcpierre.org](http://www.cbcpierre.org).


**Nursery is provided during both services and Sunday School:**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> service</b>	<b>8:20 – end of service</b>	<b>infant – 3 years</b>
<b>During Sunday School</b>	<b>9:50 – end of class</b>	<b>infant – 3 years</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> service</b>	<b>10:50 – end of service</b>	<b>infant – 3 years</b>


**NURSING MOTHERS** are invited to use the Cry Room behind the kitchen in the coffee area.

## WHAT WE BELIEVE

~ That Jesus is the Son of God who became a man to die for the sins of the whole world; He was raised from the dead and ascended back to heaven; He is coming again. (1 Cor 15: 1-8)  
 ~ That the Bible is the inspired word of God and is the only authority for our faith (what we believe) and practice (how we are to live). (2 Tim 3:16) ~ That every person has worth as a creation of God, but that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. (Rom 3:23) ~ That forgiveness of sins, the promise of eternal life and an abundant life are available to those who believe that Jesus Christ is Savior and Lord. (Jn 3:16) ~ That those accepting Christ shall repent of sin, confess faith, and be baptized into Him. (Rom 10:9; Acts 2:38) ~ That the Church exists to provide for the spiritual growth of the people and to see that the Gospel is preached to everyone. (Eph 4:1-16) ~ That Jesus Christ will one day return to earth and reign forever as King of kings and Lord of lords. (1 Thess. 4:13-18)

 **CBC has Wi-Fi Internet.** The Welcome Center can provide connection information.

 **CBC provides Assistive Listening Devices.** Check out a receiver at the Welcome Center.

 **2 AEDs available** 1) West of Welcome Center 2) In the gym kitchen on west wall

## NEXT SUNDAY'S VOLUNTEERS

<b>Scripture</b>	Kim Kahler		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Ushers</b>	Jim McCord John Zimmerman	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Ushers</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Welcome Center</b>		<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Welcome Center</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Greeters</b>	Mathew & Carrie Trott	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Greeters</b>	Julie McCord Nina Grout
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Nursery (Walker)</b>		<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Nursery (Walker)</b>	
<b>SS Nursery (Walker)</b>		<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Nursery (Toddler)</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sound</b>	Paula Huizenga	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sound</b>	Josh Gilkerson
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Graphics</b>	Keanan Fischer	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Graphics</b>	Sunshine Lorenz
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Livestream &amp; Lights</b>	Ben Brown	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Livestream &amp; Lights</b>	Morris Hofer

*We thank you for your service to Community Bible Church!*

**December 22, 2024**  
**Worship Times**  
**8:30 AM & 11:00 AM**

Gather in Fellowship  
 Lighting of the Shepherd's Candle

Chance Sumner Family – 1<sup>st</sup> Service  
 Colin Nachtigal Family – 2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Welcome & Announcements  
 Call to Worship

Pastor Phil Newby  
 Worship Team

Scripture Reading  
 Pastoral Prayer

John 15:1–11 (p.901)  
 Pastor Chance Sumner

Zealous For Good Works  
 “Divine Philanthropy”

Titus 3:4–5 (p.998)  
 Pastor Chance Sumner

Response in Worship  
 Depart in Fellowship

*An Elder is available in the Prayer Room at the end of the service to pray & serve.*

## “MEMBER SPOTLIGHT”

*Bible or Theology? Both!*

Here at Community Bible Church, “Bible” is our middle name. I love saying that—it never gets old! The Holy Scriptures are the foundation of everything we do at CBC because the Bible is the Word of God. In our love for Scripture, we must also appreciate the role theology plays. Without theology, our love for Scripture falls short.

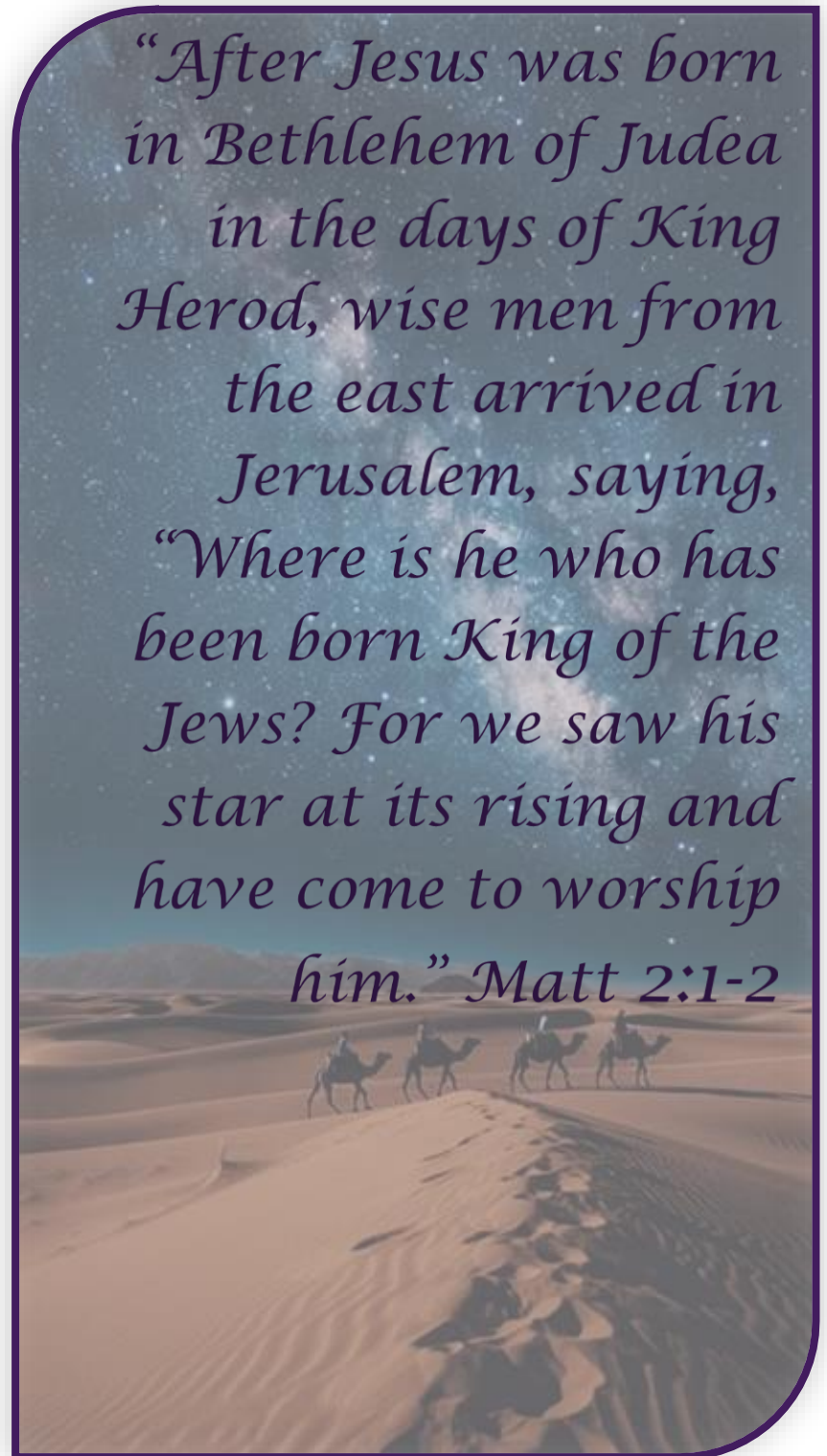
Imagine you want to bake a delicious pie for a Christmas dinner party. You go to the store, buy the ingredients, bring them home, and set them out on the counter. So far, so good. However, if you stop there, your guests will be sorely disappointed. Studying Scripture without theology is like serving the raw ingredients, not the finished pie. Theology takes the “ingredients” of Scripture and presents them in a holistic, complete, and edible fashion.

For instance, take John 1:1 and 14. These verses teach that Christ was “the Word” that became “flesh.” Theology combines these verses together and presents them with a helpful interpretation, leading us to the doctrine of Christ’s incarnation—through the Virgin Mary, the second person of the Trinity became a man in the person of Jesus Christ. Further, theology underscores why this truth matters: salvation can only occur through the atoning death of the God-man, Jesus Christ. The manger and the cross go together!

In your study of Scripture, don’t forget theology. Reading the Bible while neglecting theology is like serving raw ingredients. The ingredients are delicious only when they’re combined and cooked. Together, Scripture and theology serve us a spiritual feast that nourishes the soul. Merry Christmas—eat some pie!

Pastor Chance Sumner

*“After Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of King Herod, wise men from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, “Where is he who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw his star at its rising and have come to worship him.” Matt 2:1-2*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Christmas Eve Service!** Everyone is invited to come celebrate & worship together at 5:00PM on Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup>! We will have the lighting of the final Advent Candle remembering the birth of Jesus, singing songs of praise from our Choir Team, a devotional read by Pastor Chance, & Communion of the Saints.



### **Gentlemen of Tuesday Men's Bible Study (In room 200)**

**& Ladies of Tuesday Night BSF:** We know a lot of you will be traveling or spending time with your families over Christmas & New Year's. We pray that you have a blessed holiday season. The men will not be meeting on December 24<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>. And the women will not be meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, or the 31<sup>st</sup>. Both will resume meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025. God bless & safe travels.



**Christmas Party for One2One Youth!** Join us tonight at Tim & Holly Carey's House (1312 W Capital Ave. Pierre) from 6:00–8:00PM. There will be lots of food, games, & fun fellowship. Also please bring a gift for the White Elephant Exchange. (Gift Limit Five Dollars)



**Jenna (Hall) Han & her husband, Samuel,** Today from 9:30–10:00AM, we will have a time of sharing & fellowship with the Hans to hear what the Lord is doing in them & through them. There will be a short five minute window after first service to go grab a coffee & donut in the coffee area, then please hurry back to the sanctuary to join us!

**HEY MEN!** Start the year off with a great bible study & group! One of the Tuesday groups that meet at 6:00AM (both on-line via Zoom, & at a home). On Tuesday January 7<sup>th</sup> we will begin studying Scripture & an excellent book on essential Christian beliefs. It is written by the renowned Dr. Wayne Grudem, who is best known for his work on Systematic Theology. The book is titled "*Christian Beliefs - 20 Basics Every Christian Should Know*". Whether you are a young believer or seasoned saint, this study will leave you built-up, encouraged, refocused & not confused! Contact either John Strohmman 605-280-2780 or Brent Dowling 605-280-6564 for more details.



## THIS WEEK AT CBC

### **Sunday – 22<sup>nd</sup>**

8:30 AM Worship service  
10:00 AM Bible Hour: 3 yrs.–5th grade meet in classrooms (Welcome Center has a map)  
Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>–8th grades) – Room 300 (upstairs in gym)  
High School (9<sup>th</sup>–12th grades) – Youth Room (NW upstairs corner of gym)  
Adults – Room 200 (Next to Gym Kitchen) – Ray Vander Laan's Discipleship Study  
Adults – Room 201 (Next to Gym doors) – Ephesians  
11:00 AM Worship Service.  
2:00 PM GriefShare support group – Room 200  
4:00 PM Women's Prayer Meeting Sanctuary Prayer Room  
5:00 PM Christmas Choir Practice  
6:00 PM One2One Youth (6<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grades) (Christmas Party – See Announcement)

### **Monday – 23<sup>rd</sup>**

6:00 PM Men's Bible study – Room 200 – Contact Mark Anderson (605-281-1263)

### **Tuesday – 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve!** (Offices will be closed)

5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service!

### **Wednesday – 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day!** (Offices will be closed)

6:30 PM NO AWANA! (Will resume January 8<sup>th</sup> 2025)  
Pre-K through High School Kids Ministry – [cbcpierre.org/awana](http://cbcpierre.org/awana)

### **Thursday – 26<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 PM No Worship Team rehearsal!

### **Friday – 27<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 AM Men's Bible study – Room 200 – Contact Scott Granville (605-280-3330)

### **Looking Ahead**

Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00PM – Christmas Eve Service  
Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> Attention parents of young children:

- Neither nursery will be staffed with volunteers on this day!

Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> 2:00PM – Take down Christmas decorations (All are welcomed to help)

- Contact one of the Deacons or ladies in Women's Ministry.