

**NO OFFENSE!**

## Order of Service | October 23, 2022

Worship Team..... There's Nothing That Our God Can't Do

Welcome

Worship Team..... Yes I Will  
Our God Is Coming Back

Message..... Senior Pastor Jay Bruner  
*No Offense* - Week 2

Offering/Dismissal

### Dealing With *Those People* (Like Us)

A person's wisdom (good sense) yields patience; it is to one's glory to overlook an offense. **Proverbs 19:11 (NIV)**

Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. **Eph. 4:2 (NLT)**

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. **Proverbs 15:1 (ESV)**

#### How To Love *Those People*

##### 1. Seek to understand their why.

Top reasons for being one of *those people*:

1. Deep-seated self-esteem issue.
2. Fear.
3. Their parents broke them.

When I am with those who are weak (broken), I share their weakness (brokenness), for I want to bring the weak (broken) to Christ. Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some. **1 Corinthians 9:22 (NLT)**

##### 2. Seek to understand my why.

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life. **Psalms 139:23-24 (NLT)**

**3. When offended, flip the script.** (Choose to make a difference instead of a point.)

<sup>26</sup> And “don’t sin by letting (offense and) anger control you.” Don’t let the sun go down while you are still angry, <sup>27</sup> for anger gives a foothold to the devil... <sup>29</sup> Don’t use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an **encouragement to those who hear them**... <sup>31</sup> Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. <sup>32</sup> Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you. **Ephesians 4:26-27, 29, 31-32 (NLT)**

...and do not give the devil a foothold. **Ephesians 4:27 (NIV)**

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. **Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger... <sup>4</sup> A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit. **Proverbs 15:1 & 4 (ESV)**

**With God’s help, drop the F-balm on them.**

Be kind and compassionate to one another, **forgiving each other**, just as in Christ God forgave you. **Ephesians 4:32 (NIV)**

**Going deeper on your own:** Pastor Jay said, “Although being offended is inevitable, staying offended is a choice.” Would you agree or disagree, and why? He also said, “The starting point to dealing with *those people* is first understanding their why.” Can you see how that would help in preventing being offended by them? In this lesson, we learned that behind all the bravado of a “know it all,” there is typically deep-seated brokenness and that God may desire you to be His agent of healing. With this in mind, pray to ask God to help you see the hidden things behind such a person and then ask Him how He would like you to treat them. Now pray for them, seek a deeper friendship, and share with them that they matter to God and you. If you are having difficulty with this, pray and ask the Lord to reveal what’s holding you back. Ask Him to reveal the hidden things in your heart. If there is offense and anger, ask Him to help you forgive it, let it go, and heal your heart as you give it to Him.

# Discover CPC



Are you ready to learn more about CPC? In our Discover CPC class we will discuss what we believe, who we are, why we do what we do, and more! Discover CPC is a requirement for CPC Membership. Snacks and childcare are provided with RSVP.

**Discover CPC**  
**Nov. 13 | 10:31 am**  
**Conference Room**

To learn more or register:  
[CenterPointChurch.com/nextsteps/](https://CenterPointChurch.com/nextsteps/)



## Trunk or Treat

This year's Trunk or Treat is next Sunday, Oct. 30, from 4:30-6:30 pm! We still need volunteers, trunk hosts, and LOTS of candy! Candy can be dropped off anytime during church office hours and left in the bin in the lobby. You can sign up to host a trunk or volunteer on the church website. Be sure to invite your family, friends, and neighbors!



## CPC Game Night

Our Prime Time Ministry hosts a game night in the Warehouse on the first Friday each month from 7:00-9:00 pm. EVERYONE is welcome to come to enjoy an evening of laughter and fellowship with others in the CPC Family! Our next Game Night is on Nov. 4. Bring your favorite game and a treat to share with the group if you'd like!



## Men's Retreat

Our Men's Fall Retreat will be at Riverbend Retreat Center, Nov. 18-19. Cost includes lodging, four meals, fishing, archery, skeet shooting, and Bible teaching. There are several pricing options; visit the event listing on our website to learn more. The registration deadline is Nov. 6, but space is limited, so don't wait to sign up!

Get details on these events and more at [centerpointchurch.com/events](https://centerpointchurch.com/events).

# Who We Are

Center Point Church exists to *help people discover and live a God-centered life.*

We are a real church full of real people with real problems searching for real answers. We strive to provide a safe atmosphere for anyone--whether you are churchd, unchurched, or over-churched. We purposefully avoid religion so we can focus on our relationship with Christ.

## Stewardship News October 23, 2022

### Tithes & Offerings

Given Oct. 10-16, 2022	\$19,671
Given YTD	\$1,214,665
Kidz City & Misc. Income	\$67,500
TOTAL GIVEN YTD	\$1,282,165
Expenses YTD	\$1,088,531

### Daring New Day Building

DND Commitments	\$1,994,795
DND Given to Date	\$1,535,331

### Attendance

On Campus	527
Online	80

## Visit our website to learn more about these CPC ministries:

- Preschool (birth-K)
- Elementary (grades 1-3)
- Preteens (grades 4-6)
- Student Life (grades 7-12)
- Celebrate Recovery
- Home Teams
- Prime Time (adults 65+)
- CPC Men
- CPC Women
- Veterans Fellowship
- W.O.W. - Women of Worship (ladies 50+)

## Contact Information:

### Service Times:

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