

Order of Service | December 8, 2024

Worship Team..... O Come All Ye Faithful

Welcome

Worship Team..... Go Tell It On The Mountain
O Holy Night

Message..... Senior Pastor Jay Bruner
Not Alone - Week 2

Announcements/Dismissal

NOT  ALONE

Facing Our Fears

Isaiah 41:10 NLT | “Don’t be afraid, **for I am with you**. Don’t be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.”

Joshua 1:9 NIV | “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

BIG IDEA: God’s power, unleashed, will slay my fear and anxiety.

HOW TO UNLEASH GOD’S POWER AGAINST OUR FEAR

Case Study: Jesus’ Birth - Luke 1:26-38 & Matthew 1:18–25

Luke 1:26-38 NLT | In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!” ²⁹ Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. ³⁰ “Don’t be afraid, Mary,” the angel told her, “For you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name Him Jesus. ³² He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His ancestor David. ³³ And He will reign over Israel forever; His Kingdom will never end!” ³⁴ Mary asked the angel, “But how can this happen? I am a virgin.” ³⁵ The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So, the baby to be born will be holy, and He will be called the Son of God.”

³⁶What's more, your relative Elizabeth has become pregnant in her old age! People used to say she was barren, but she has conceived a son and is now in her sixth month. ³⁷**For the word of God will never fail.** ³⁸Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her.

1. Invite **God's** presence into the place and space of fear.

Luke 1:30 NLT | "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "For you have found favor with God!"

Philippians 4:6-7 NLT | Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank Him for all He has done. ⁷Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

2. Use fear against itself.

Luke 1:34 NLT | Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin."

Luke 1:37 NLT | "For the word of God will never fail."

3. Get honest about who is Lord over my heart, mind, and life.

Luke 1:38 NLT | ..."I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true."

Matthew 1:24 NLT | When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded and took Mary as his wife.

Going deeper on your own: Take time to read the birth accounts of Jesus in the following passages: Luke 1:26–38, Matthew 1:18–25, Luke 2:8–20, & Matthew 2:1–21. As you read, write down the different individuals involved in these moments, the fears and obstacles they faced, and how they overcame them. Reflect on how God's presence and promises brought them courage and strength. **NEXT STEP: As we move through this season, identify one fear that has been holding you back. Commit to bringing this fear before God in prayer every day.** Ask Him for the courage of His presence and power to face it head-on, trusting Him to guide you. Let this season of Christ's birth be a reminder that His light overcomes all darkness and His peace conquers every fear.

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
January 12 | 9:45 am
Conference Room

To learn more or register:
CenterPointChurch.com/nextsteps/



Christmas Blessing Gift Card Collection

Be a blessing to someone this Christmas! We are collecting gift cards from Walmart, Target, and Kohl's to help families provide Christmas gifts and meals this holiday season. Gift cards can be placed in the offering boxes or in the dropbox located at the Welcome Center in the lobby before December 15.



Annual Business Meeting

Our Annual Business Meeting is on Sunday, December 22 at 12:45 pm in The Warehouse. This meeting will be your opportunity to discuss and ask questions about the 2025 budget. Covenant members will vote to approve the budget and affirm Elders for the next year. The budget information is available to review on the website and hard copies at the Welcome Desk.



Christmas Eve Services

We will have four services on Christmas Eve – 12:31pm, 2:01pm, 3:31pm and 5:01pm. There will be exciting children's programming for infants – 6th grade at each service. This is a great time to invite others to experience the joy of Christmas. You can pick up some invite cards on your way out today. We can't wait to see you at one of our special Christmas Eve services!

Get details on these events and more at 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 church-ed, unchurched, or over-churched. We purposefully avoid religion so we can focus on our relationship with Christ.

Stewardship News December 8, 2024

Tithes & Offerings

Given Nov. 25- Dec. 1	\$40,490
Given YTD	\$1,524,173
Expenses YTD	\$1,366,100
Kidz City & Misc. Income	\$124,622
TOTAL RECEIVED YTD	\$1,648,795

Daring New Day Building

DND Given to Date \$1,626,826

Attendance Dec. 1

On Campus	685
Online	103

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:

Sun. 8:31am, 10:01am, & 11:31am

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