

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

— **BEHOLD** —
HE COMES

A STUDY OF 2 PETER



APRIL 26, 2026

POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS

WELCOME

We're Glad You're Here!

We know visiting a church for the first time can feel intimidating. **Our goal** is to help you feel at home and **point you to Jesus**. Here's **what to expect** in our worship today:

We sing acappella (voices only), take the Lord's Supper, offer prayers, and listen to a message from the Bible. **You are welcome to participate with us** as much as you are comfortable.

After worship concludes, we offer **Bible classes for all ages**. You're welcome to stay and join whichever class fits you best.

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KIDS

Before the sermon, **children ages 2-7** are invited to a special time called **Wee Worship**, where they can enjoy Bible stories, songs, and age-appropriate activities in a safe, welcoming environment.

April 26: We Believe in Jesus.

Lesson Text: John 20:19-31

For those 8 years old and above, **complete the fill in blanks** in this handout and show the preacher or one of the elders for a special treat or **TWO Bible Bucks** to spend at Central Park.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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Call to Worship	Dean Baker
<i>I Stand in Awe</i>	Ross Jordan
<i>We Will Glorify</i>	Ross Jordan
Prayer	Tim Nelsen
<i>Love Divine</i>	Ross Jordan
Prepare For Communion	
<i>Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross</i>	John Cox
Communion Prayers	Larry Cole
<i>I'm In the Lord's Army</i>	Josh & Aidan
Children's Chat	Josh & Aidan
Scripture Reading - 2 Peter 3:1-10	Aidan Smith
<i>Joy To The World</i>	John Cox
Sermon	Shane Robinson
<i>Bring Christ Your Broken Life</i>	John Cox
Shepherd's Moment	Dean Baker

GREETERS

Vince & Theary Boling, Jennifer & Sophie Robinson

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Noah Robinson & Hannah Kresser

WEE WORSHIP

Heather Williams, Liam Martinez, Jeff & Libby Brown

SERVE COMMUNION IN APRIL

Tony Coley, Will Locke, Matt Locke, Bryan Miller, Jim Cook, Daryl Williams,
Ty Morrison, Ben Holloway

SCRIPTURE

2 Peter 3:1-10, NKJV

Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up."

The New King James Version. Thomas Nelson, 1982.

COME JESUS COME

2 PETER 3:1-10

TEXTUAL QUESTIONS

**The answers to these questions are based on the New King James Version and come straight from the text.*

What does Peter say he is trying to stir up in his readers (v. 1)?

What specific words are the readers to remember in verse 2?

How are scoffers described in verse 3?

What role did water play in both creation and destruction in verses 5–6?

What does Peter say believers should not forget in verse 8?

What does God desire for all people according to verse 9?

PRACTICAL QUESTIONS

What are some ways you can keep your mind “stirred up” and focused on God’s truth?

How do you respond when people question or doubt God’s promises?

Why is it sometimes difficult to trust God’s timing?

How does understanding God’s patience change the way you view delays in life?

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It is easy to lose focus in a world full of distractions and doubts. In this passage, Peter calls us to fix our attention in the right places so we stay grounded in truth and prepared for what is coming. In short, we look back to remember, around to discern, up to trust, and ahead to prepare.

(1) JESUS WANTS US TO LOOK...

BACK AND REMEMBER HIS WORD (3:1-2)

- God's word was _____ through words that were both spoken and written (3:1a; Heb. 1:1-2).
- God's word was _____ to those who are holy and of the Lord (3:1b; cp. 1:20-21).
- God's word is _____ by those who's minds are sincere and without impure motives (3:2; Ac. 17:11; 1 Cor. 15:1-2).

(2) JESUS WANTS US TO LOOK...

AROUND AND RECOGNIZE THE SCOFFERS (3:3-7)

- Scoffers are known by how they _____ (3:3; cp. 2:10; see also Eph. 5:1-21).
- Scoffers are known by what they _____ (3:4; cp. 2:1-3, 18; see also 2 Tim. 2:17-18).
- Scoffers are exposed by what they _____ (3:5; cp. Gen. 1-2; Rom. 1:20).

Christian hope rests in the resurrection of our bodies and the restoration of this world.

(3) JESUS WANTS US TO LOOK...

UP AND TRUST HIS TIMING (3:8-9)

- We must not overlook the special love God has shown us in _____ Christ (3:8a; Eph. 1:3-6; 1 Pet. 2:4-5).
- We must not overlook that God's relationship with this creation _____ time (3:8b; Job 36:26; Ps. 90:4).
- We must not overlook that God's timetable is moving _____ to a climactic day of Judgment (3:9; Deut. 7:10; Ex. 34:6-7).

(4) JESUS WANTS US TO LOOK...

AHEAD TO WHAT IS COMING (3:10-13)

- The time will come when God's _____ finally runs out (3:10a; Ac. 17:30-31).
- The time will come when what we _____ know will be no more (3:10b; Mk. 10:29-30; 1 Tim. 4:8; Rev. 21:4).
- The time will come when those who've loved God and lived for God will _____ with God (3:13; Job 19:25-27; Dan. 12:1-2; Isa. 66:22; Gen. 3:17-19; Rom. 8:18-25; Ac. 3:20-21; Rev. 21:1-5).

*"For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth;
And after my skin is destroyed, this I know, That in my flesh I shall see God,
Whom I shall see for myself, And my eyes shall behold, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!" (Job 19:25-27, NKJV)*

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Assembly Times

AM Worship

Sundays @ 9:30 AM

Sun Bible Classes

Immediately After Worship

Wed Night Meal

Wednesdays @ 5:45 PM

Wed Bible Classes

Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM

Reoccurring Events

Ladies Bible Class

Tuesday @ 10:30 AM

LIFE Groups

Various times & locations

Food & Clothing

Tues & Thurs 10 AM-12 PM

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