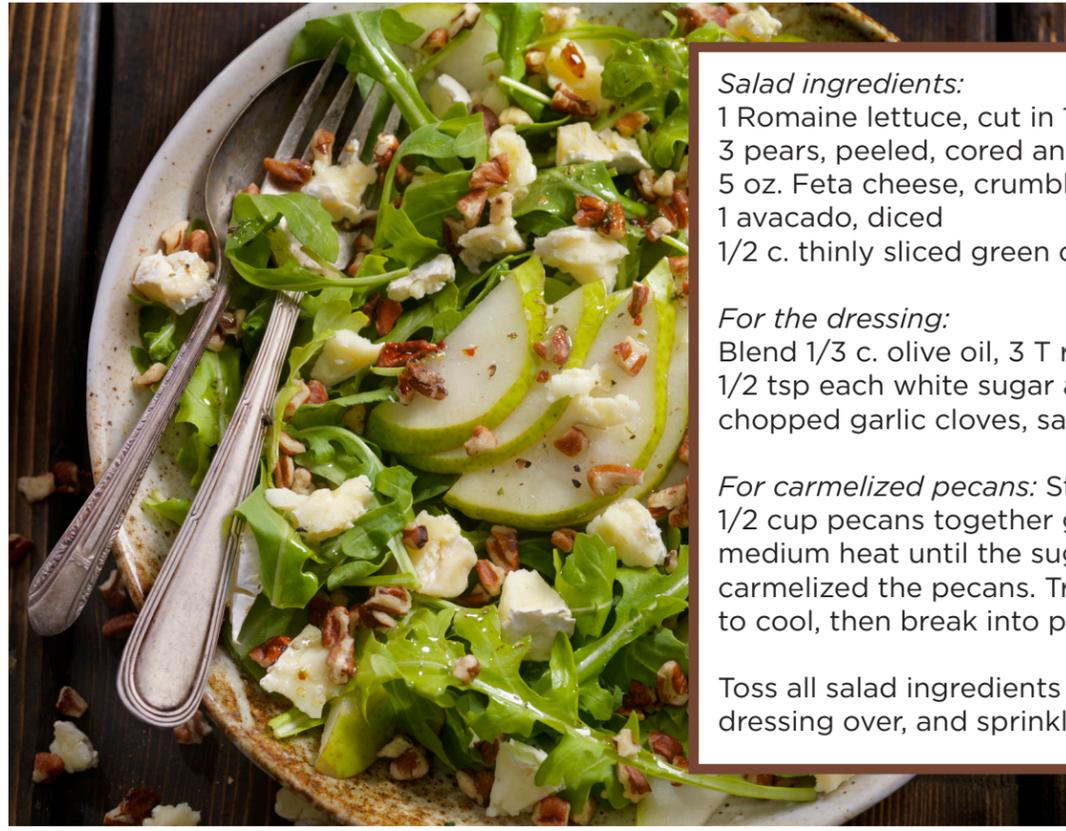


A classic spring recipe: Pear & Pecan Salad



Salad ingredients:
 1 Romaine lettuce, cut in 1" pieces
 3 pears, peeled, cored and diced
 5 oz. Feta cheese, crumbled
 1 avocado, diced
 1/2 c. thinly sliced green onions

For the dressing:
 Blend 1/3 c. olive oil, 3 T red wine vinegar, 1 1/2 tsp each white sugar and mustard, 2 finely chopped garlic cloves, salt and pepper to taste

For caramelized pecans: Stir 1/4 cup sugar and 1/2 cup pecans together gently in a skillet over medium heat until the sugar has melted and caramelized the pecans. Transfer to waxed paper to cool, then break into pieces.

Toss all salad ingredients in a bowl, pour the dressing over, and sprinkle with pecans.

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PRIMETIME POST

March 2026

Dinner Recap

Thank you for a most joyful ministry!

Dear Primetimers,

After two unprecedented snowstorms that canceled our February event, it was great to finally enjoy food and fellowship at our March dinner. It was December when we were together last, and we missed having all of you



on campus for a meal. It's a blessing every time we get together for an event! Volunteers spent several days preparing the food and the room for Primetimers to enjoy. We couldn't do what we do without them! Much love and effort go into providing a delicious meal, a carefully set table with creatively curated décor and an enjoyable program.



Did you know that you are prayed for before every event? The Primetimer Ministry is very important to us. You are valued, welcome and

loved at Central, and are a vital part of our church family!

The Band of Brothers provided a full evening of Southern Bluegrass and Gospel music that had guests singing and clapping along.



It's always fun to hear a banjo and harmonica to complement a band! Their sincere love of the Lord and joy of

ministering through music was clearly evident. You can rest assured that the prayer requests you placed in the band's prayer box are being lifted up. We are grateful they were able to fit us into their busy schedule, and pray the Lord continues to use them for His glory.



In April, be sure to bring your February ticket. We will enjoy dueling keyboards with Terry McHam and Levi Summey as we sing along to some favorite songs from days gone by. Even if you can't sing, a joyful noise works as well! You won't want to miss this uplifting evening.

Thank you for the joy you bring, Primetimers!

Catherine



God will rescue you

When our oldest son, Scott, was in high school he decided to work one summer as a lifeguard at the beach. Since I taught school at that time, I had the summer off and our family stayed at a campground at the beach. We watched as Scott often rescued someone in distress in the water.

Daily, he walked up and down the beach blowing his whistle, and warning people not to go out into the deep water. Occasionally someone would venture out too far from the shore, and Scott would eagerly swim out and rescue them. He had to be on alert while he was on duty.

It made me think of how God patiently allows us to make our choices, wanting us to heed His warnings and stay near the

safety of His protection. God continues to pursue us. He sends His Holy Spirit to beckon us to return to Him.

We can easily drown in our difficulties if we refuse to heed God's directions. If we call on Him, God will lift us out of overwhelming waters and bring us out of the raging sea.

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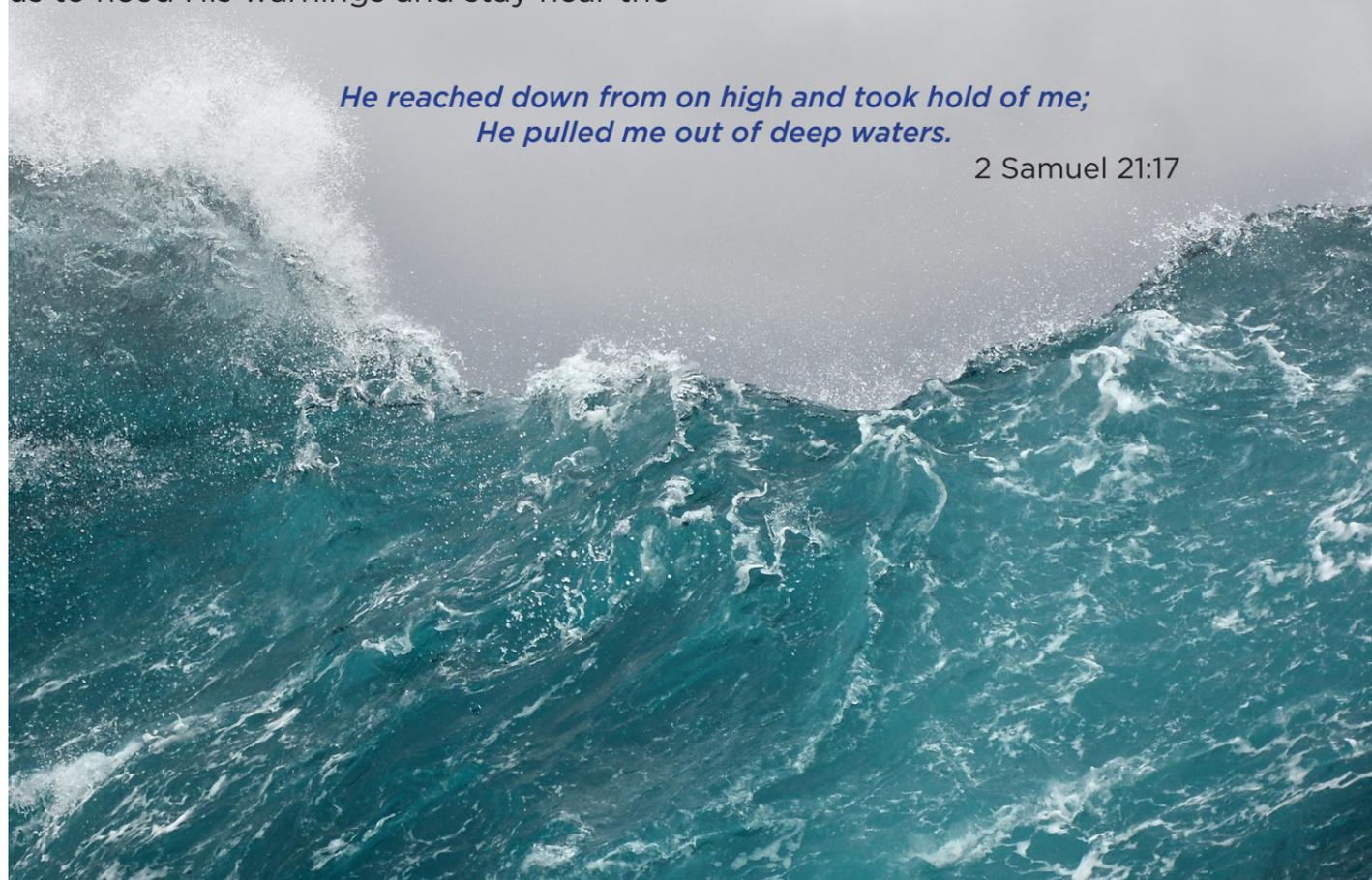
Are you drowning in problems and disappointments? Do you keep going deeper into sin before listening to God? Stop and turn your problems over to God. He will turn your adversities into life changing miracles. Trust in Him. He will rescue you!

By Sherry Harris



*He reached down from on high and took hold of me;
He pulled me out of deep waters.*

2 Samuel 21:17



Upcoming events for Primetimers at Central Church

Music for an eternal King



Sun., March 29 | 8:30 & 10:30am
Charlotte Sanctuary

Celebrate a resurrected, all-powerful King with music from Central Choir & Orchestra. Attend during one of the regular morning service times to hear uplifting praise songs, see art, hear healing testimonies, and give thanks to Jesus, the forever King! Pastor Livingston will give a short message, and communion will be observed.



Resurrection Sunday

April 5 | 8:30am and 10:30am

Come celebrate a risen Savior, remembering His sacrifice and looking forward to His glorious return. At the Charlotte Campus, additional seating will be available in Weatherby Hall and Kids Building to accommodate larger crowds. To free up additional parking for the second service, Sunday Life Groups will not meet.

Take a road trip to Lancaster this fall

Primetimers are invited to take in the autumn scenery in Lancaster, PA, the last weekend of October 2026. This road trip includes a live performance of Sight & Sound Theatre's "Joshua."

Find more details and sign up at www.centralinc.org/events. A \$100 deposit holds your spot - space is limited!



Hitch a ride at the 5K!

Redemption Run 5K
Sat., May 16 | 9am | Cost: \$25

Even if you can't walk or run, you can still participate in Central's 5K fundraiser to help stamp out human trafficking. Ride in a classic car along the route as you cheer on the runners! Register at centralinc.org, or call Catherine.

