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Mark 8:31-38

<sup>31</sup> Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup> But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>34</sup> He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup> For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup> Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup> Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Words to live by come to us in verse 33, unlike all other words Jesus imparts to us. "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." So often we get caught up on a being called Satan, looking for someone or something we can blame for bad things happening or for the plethora of temptations our society has for us. Yet, Jesus makes it clear, it seems, that which is Satanic is having our minds on "human things" not "divine things". Thus the word "repent". That is, to turn around, to face God, not turn our backs on God. If we keep our eyes on God, His divine nature is enough to keep us on "the straight and narrow."

Jesus goes on to say, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves (that which is human) and take up their cross (that which is divine) and follow me. I believe most will agree, it is easy to get caught up in this world to the exclusion of God. Truth be known, many have found themselves caught up in this world and have excluded God from their lives.

As I was writing this article, the news about the Parkland, Florida shooting broke. Let us keep the families of the victims in our thoughts and prayers. Let us pray for healing, compassion and peace of mind.

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### THE SEEKERS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

meets every Sunday morning at 9:40 a.m. to discuss the Bible.

We have spirited discussions along with great class participation on lessons from *The Present Word* study book

You are invited to join with us each Sunday. We are located in the Education Building next to HeBrews.



The Journey Sunday School Class

continues with

#### The Book of Joshua

on

### Sunday, February 25th,

We hope you will join us. Please read chapters 14 & 15 and be prepared to discuss them.

### The Journey class meets in the Library in the

#### Community Center.

The **Book of Joshua** (Hebrew: ספר יהושע: *Sefer Yéhôshúa*) is the sixth book in the Bible and the first book of the Deuteronomistic history, the story of Israel from the conquest of Canaan to the Babylonian exile. It tells of the campaigns of the Israelites in central, southern and northern Canaan, the destruction of their enemies, and the division of the land among the Twelve Tribes, framed by two set-piece speeches, the first by God commanding the conquest of the land, and, at the end, the last by Joshua warning of the need for faithful observance of the Law (*torah*) revealed to Moses.



The TNT Sunday School Class Is beginning its study of THE GOSPEL OF MARK.

We study various books of the Bible and recently completed the Books of 1 & 2 Samuel.

If you enjoy a wide range study of scripture, we would love to have you join us. We meet every Sunday in the Community Room.



### THE FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Meets every Sunday morning at 9:40 a.m. to discuss & consider various Bible topics.

If you are young at heart and enjoy scriptural insight in applying the Word to present day, then this is the place for you.

You are invited to join us in these stimulating studies.

We meet in the "Parlor" adjacent to HeBrews in the Education building.



## IT HAS BEEN A PRIVILEGE FOR CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH TO SERVE THE PEOPLE AT RANDY SAM'S. HERE IS OUR SCHEDULE FOR

### 2018

| January 28 <sup>th</sup>   | Youth      |
|----------------------------|------------|
| February 25 <sup>th</sup>  | CMF        |
| March 25 <sup>th</sup>     | Seekers    |
| April 22 <sup>nd</sup>     | CWF        |
| May 27 <sup>th</sup>       | Elders     |
| June 24 <sup>th</sup>      | Fellowship |
| July 22 <sup>nd</sup>      | Deacons    |
| August 26 <sup>th</sup>    | T-N-T      |
| September 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Youth      |
| October 28 <sup>th</sup>   | CWF        |
| November 25 <sup>th</sup>  | Journey    |
| December 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | CMF        |

LET US CONTINUE THIS MINISTRY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHIRST

## CABINET

# MEETING

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> WE WILL HAVE OUR FIRST CABINET MEETING OF 2018.

## IF YOU ARE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING, YOU ARE ON THE CABINET:

Moderator, Vice Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The Chair of each Committee, President of CMF, CWF and Youth.



### NOTE ON MUSIC

People make and listen to music to express their emotions and ideas. Attitudes toward music composers and players vary from one era to the next and from one region to the next. Ancient bagpipes have been discovered in Scotland, Aristotle's ancient writings about musical techniques and Biblical accounts of music in the Jerusalem Temple all point to the importance music has had throughout the ages.

Each era featured its own music genres. Differing genres dominated in the Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque periods. In recent times music has evolved from classical and romantic to pop and rock and subdivisions thereof.

Studies have long tried to identify the reasons music is so soothing. Students of the human brain have long known music has a unique link to our emotions and thus, serves as an effective stress management tool.

Listening to music lowers blood pressure, slows the pulse and heart rate and decreases the levels of stress hormones. Listening to music can distract us from our troubles. Yoga and other forms of meditation are often executed to the accompaniment of music to help the mind from wandering during exercises that require focus.

Psychologists note that such benefits are universal, regardless of the *type* of music the individual hears. Different types of music may be suitable to different moods though classical music is most often recommended as the most calming music option.

When we come together each Sunday, may we sing with joy, listen with love, and thank God for the soothing sounds of music.



## SUNDAY, MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> WE BEGIN DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

## PLEASE BE SURE TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS & WATCHES UP 1 HOUR BEFORE YOU GO TO BED SATURDAY NIGHT, THE 10<sup>TH</sup>.



## SERVICE MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>

# Be sure to bring family & friends

to

CELEBRATE OUR LORD'S ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM.

Worship service begins

at

10:40 a.m.



# is APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> Bring family and friends as we CELEBRATE the resurrection of our Lord & Savior!!!

Worship service begins

at

10:40 a.m.



Earth Day is an annual event celebrated on April 22.

Worldwide, various events are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day events in more than 193 countries are now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network.

On Earth Day 2016, the landmark Paris Agreement was signed by the United States, China, and some 120 other countries. This signing satisfied a key requirement for the <u>entry into force</u> of the historic draft climate protection treaty adopted by consensus of the 195 nations present at the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris.

Numerous communities celebrate Earth Week, an entire week of activities focused on the environmental issues the world faces.

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### **NEWSLETTER AND 411 REMINDER**

Just a reminder that any articles you would like to submit for publication in the Newsletter or 411 must be submitted to the office no later than noon on Tuesdays.

> After that time, we cannot guarantee your article will be published.

Day & Time may vary during holidays

### CHURCH BULLETIN

Any information you will like in the Church Bulletin must be submitted to the office no later than 10am on Fridays.

Day & Time may vary during holidays



### DO YOU PREFER RECEIVING TEXT MESSAGE OR PHONE CALL REMINDERS FOR MEETINGS?

Central Christian will be sending out text messages and phone calls to remind members of upcoming meetings and inform every one of prayer needs.

If you would like to receive text messages, please text ccctxk to 292929, as shown above, to have your number put on our list.

If you do not receive text messages but would like to be added to our call list, please email or call the church office at (903) 792-1915 and let Tonya know.

### **Upcoming Events & Services**

| February 21 | 5:30pm  | Choir                           |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|
| February 25 | 10:40am | Week of Compassion offering     |
| February 25 | 4pm     | Randy Sam's Prep                |
| February 25 | 6pm     | Randy Sam's serving             |
| February 26 | 6pm     | Cabinet meeting                 |
| February 28 | 5:30pm  | Choir                           |
| March 4     | 2pm     | Cowhorn Creek                   |
| March 7     | 5:30pm  | Choir                           |
| March 10    | 10:30am | CWF General Meeting             |
| March 11    | all day | Daylight Saving Time Begins     |
| March 12    | 5:30pm  | Events Committee                |
| March 14    | 5:30pm  | Choir                           |
| March 15    | 4pm     | Deadline to order Easter lilies |



## LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD?

### <u>Matthew 25:40</u>

And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, **as you did it to one of the least of these** my brethren, you did it to me.'

COME JOIN US THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AS WE "SERVE" THE HOMELESS AT THE RANDY SAM'S SHELTER. WE MEET IN DISCIPLE HALL AT 4 PM TO PREPARE THE MEAL, THEN SERVE AT RANDY SAM'S AT 6 PM.

AGAIN, COME JOIN US IN SERVING THE LORD AND OUR COMMUNITY.



### **UNABLE TO ATTEND SUNDAY SERVICE?**

If you are unable to attend Sunday service and desire to have communion brought to you, please call the church office at (903) 792-1915 with your request.

This communion is normally served on the 2nd and 4th Sundays but CAN be served most anytime, if prior arrangements are made.



### IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST

In recent discussions with the Southwest Region, it has come to our attention that "The Prayer List" may be cause for litigation if we place people on it that have not given their personal consent to be placed on it. It is a violation of HIPAA Law to release information about anyone without their personal consent. Therefore, we ask that you not call requesting that a "friend" be placed on the list unless you have their consent. THANK YOU.

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# Weekly Info

### **Prayer Need**

Our Church Wes Byas David Orr, friend of Richard Martin Robin Collins Crumley, daughter of Ron Collins who's a friend of Richard Martin Jeff Misenheimer, friend of Lee Nailling Herb Hamilton Bobbie Atkinson Bob McDonald, friend of Bob Benbow Shirley Werst, Tamara Campbell's mom Keith Williams, friend of Tom Crow

#### **Ongoing Concerns**

Johnny Cunningham **Bob Benbow** Jan McCoy, Mary Chittenden's daughter Randy Thomas, friend of Beth Brine Holt Parsons Teresa Johnson Bob Tallent Evelyn Tallent **Bobby** Tallent Paul Wayson, Evelyn Tallent's brother Irene Leary, Lois Moore's aunt Suzanne Voltz, friend of Teresa Crow Debbie Duren, Beth Brine's cousin Roger Spencer Frank Vidrik, Alice Kern's nephew Linda Baker, friend of Annette Wilmoth Mark Cottingham, Mary Cobb's son Lisa Stanley, friend of Jack Carter Vickie Oliver

#### Homebound

Anne Benbow Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A Central Christian Church Decals

\$5.00

Church office or Hebrews

Serving this Sunday February 25, 2018 Greeters: Robert & Alice Kern Worship Leader: Mike Martin Hospital Elder: Frank Caudle Flower Elder: Lisa Kern Homebound Elder: Glen Hudspeth Homebound Deacon: Martha Clinton Deacons: George Carpenter, Jr., Margie Beeson, Pat Taylor, Tamara Campbell

#### February 18, 2018

 Attendance:
 48

 Offering:
 \$ 1,457.50

 Weekly Needs:
 \$ 4,276.04

 Difference:
 \$ -2,818.54

 YTD Collected:
 \$ 28,025.33

 YTD Needed:
 \$ 29,932.28

 Difference:
 \$ -1,906.95

*LECTIONARY FOR FEBRUARY 25, 2018* Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38 or Mark 9:2-9

#### 4-1-1 and Newsletters

The newsletter will go out on March 7 and 21.

The 4-1-1 will go out February 21 and 28.