

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³ But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴ because we know the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ Yes, everything is for your sake, so grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸ because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

5 For we know if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Paul tells us what grounds our faith or trust is knowing "the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us." Such knowing, however, is not based on what we perceive with our senses or deduce through logic. Rather, it emerges precisely as we place our confidence not in ourselves -- or any other finite person or power for that matter -- but in the one who raises the dead and brings life out of nothing.

And it does not just have to do with an afterlife. It has to do with relying on God *now* amid whatever may be happening to us -- trusting the one who has rescued us in the past will continue to rescue us.

Faith, then, is not just about believing a doctrine that guarantees our ego's immortal existence. It does not even have to do with transcendent experiences or out of body states, whether in this life or the next. Even these can just be about securing our egos. And it definitely does not justify our judging others or transgressing their boundaries to get them to submit to us or to some finite idea or opinion we might hold, even if it is about the gospel, Jesus, or the Spirit.

Rather, faith has to do with grace -- God's gift freely given for all -- which always shifts our focus from self-interest to the interests of others.

Grace, Peace & Mercy to all,

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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.

1 Corinthians

The Journey Sunday School Class will begin studying

Paul's Letters to the Corinthians

on

Sunday, June 10th,

We hope you will join us. Please read chapters 4 & 5 of 1 Corinthians and be prepared to discuss them.

The Journey class meets in the Library in the Community Center.

The First Epistle to the Corinthians, usually referred to simply as First Corinthians and often written 1 Corinthians, is one of the Pauline epistles of the New Testament of the Bible. The epistle says Paul the Apostle and "Sosthenes our brother" wrote it to "the church of God which is at Corinth," although the scholarly consensus holds Sosthenes was the assistant who wrote down the text of the letter at Paul's direction.

Called "a masterpiece of pastoral theology", it addresses various issues that had arisen in the Christian community at Corinth.



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 study the Bible chapter by chapter.

Presently, we are studying the Book of Genesis. You are invited to join us as we proceed thru the Bible. We meet in the "Parlor" adjacent to HeBrews, in the Education Building.

We have stimulating discussions that really help us understand the Bible on a deeper level.

Remember, we meet in the "Parlor" adjacent to HeBrews at 9:40 a.m.



SUNDAY, JUNE 10^{TH} ,

WE HAVE OUR

FRIENDS & FAMILY POTLUCK

LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

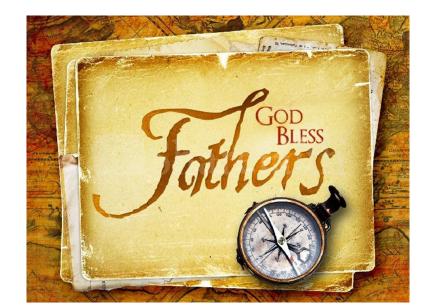
WORSHIP SERVICE

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

OUR CHURCH FAMILY.

Please bring the following: Last name beginning with A-G: Vegetable or salad H-Z: Meat



FATHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, JUNE 17^{TH.}

MAKE PLANS NOW TO BRING YOUR DAD TO WORSHIP ON THIS VERY SPECIAL DAY.



MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 18TH WE WILL HAVE OUR CABINET MEETING.

IF YOU ARE ANY OF THE FOLLOW-ING, YOU ARE ON THE CABINET:

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



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

2018

- June 24th Fellowship
- July 22nd Deacons
- August 26th T-N-T
- September 23rd Youth
- October 28th CWF
- November 25th Journey
- December 23rd CMF

LET US CONTINUE THIS MINISTRY IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST



OUR ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION WILL BE ON

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH,

AT 5:30 PM, in HeBrews

THERE WILL BE FOOD AND FUN FOR EVERYONE!!!



REV. DR.

ANDY MANGUM,



OUR REGIONAL MINISTER,

WILL BE VISITING US.

HE WILL TEACH

<u>A JOINT SESSION</u>

OF SUNDAY SCHOOL,

THEN PREACH

IN OUR 10:40 SERVICE.



THERE WILL BE A GENERAL BOARD MEETING MONDAY JULY 23RD. AT 6 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

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.

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June 6	5:30pm	Choir
June 9	10:30am	CWF General Meeting
June 10	12pm	Potluck Luncheon
June 13	5:30pm	Choir
June 16	9am	CMF
June 17	all day	Father's Day
June 18	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
June 20	5:30pm	Choir
June 24	4pm	Randy Sam's prep
June 24	6pm	Randy Sam's serving
June 27	5:30pm	Choir
July 1	10:40am	Independence Sunday
July 4	5:30pm	4th of July celebration

Upcoming Events & Services



Thank you I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers, Hearing of thy love...toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints; Philemon 4,5

Sincere thanks.... God Bless You

Thank you for your prayers and thoughts Bobby Benbow

Pastor Wes and Congregation,

I really appreciate all of the effort put in for my graduation! The gift card, Psalms book and cake were all wonderful.

You are all so caring and loving!

God Bless You!! Evan Carr



Blane Kern Richard Martin Anne Benbow **Bobbie** Atkinson Jack & Joan Carter Dr. Jauquita Hargus Texarkana Surgery Center Lois Moore **Richard Martin** Lee & Smith, PLLC **Glen Dora Taylor Beth Brine** Claudine Brown John & Mary Cobb **Cleda Butler** Beth Brine Mayree Lewis Claudine Brown



THE NEW CCC WEB SITE

Our web site has been renovated! Be sure to visit <u>www.ccctxk.com</u> to see what's new! Our site is easy to navigate and there is lots of information.



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 4TH 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.

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church Wes Byas Family of Kirk Lohse Kelley Folmar **Betsy Spencer** Mrs. Melvin Cooley, Glenda Worley's mother Michelle Douglas, friend of Julia Carpenter Jo Maxey, friend of Julia Carpenter Vida Brine, Beth Brine's mom Herb Hamilton Wilma Milidge, Elaine Hamilton's cousin Mike Oates Julie Bray, friend of Elaine Hamilton Jackson VanHyfte, Mary Chittenden's great-grandson Matt Lowe, Robert and Alice Kern's son-in-law John & Roberta Fooks, friends of Midge Cooney Robin Collins Crumley, daughter of Ron Collins who's a friend of Richard Martin Jeff Misenheimer, friend of Lee Nailling Shirley Werst, Tamara Campbell's mom Keith Williams, friend of Tom Crow

Ongoing Concerns

Jack Donaldson, friend of Beth Brine Rebecca Ramone, friend of Beth Brine Teresa Johnson Bobby Tallent Paul Wayson, Evelyn Tallent's brother Debbie Duren, Beth Brine's cousin Roger Spencer Frank Vidrik, Alice Kern's nephew Vickie Oliver

Homebound

Bob Benbow, The Retreat, room 203 Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A Central Christian Church Decals \$5.00

Church office or Hebrews

Serving this Sunday June 10, 2018 Greeters: Jack Fisher & John Beeson Worship Leader: Teri Stover Hospital Elder: Joan Carter

Flower Elder: Jack Carter Homebound Elder: Lisa Kern Homebound Deacon: Teresa Crow Deacons: Martha Clinton, Jack Duncan, Jack Fisher, Cameron Lumpkin

June 3, 2018

 Attendance:
 47

 Offering:
 \$ 2,627.00

 Weekly Needs:
 \$ 4,276.04

 Difference:
 \$ -1,649.04

 YTD Collected:
 \$ 83,698.85

 YTD Needed:
 \$ 89,796.84

 Difference:
 \$ -6,097.99

LECTIONARY FOR JUNE 10, 2018 Third Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20, (11:14-15) Psalm 138 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35

Sermon This Sunday:

"On Becoming Sheep"

Scripture:

1 Samuel 8:4-20