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Acts 5:27-32

²⁷ When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

In scripture, we find many examples of Godly people standing up to bullies and bigots. In this passage, Peter and the apostles were brought before the high priest who, quite clearly, wished to scare them into doing what he, the high priest, wanted them to do. That is, keep their mouths shut about Jesus and Jesus’ teachings. This had to be a very frightening experience for Peter and the disciples. After all, Jesus stood before the high priest and look what happened to him!

But rather than cower to the high priest, Peter says he and the disciples must obey God rather than the high priest. Then adds, the high priest killed Jesus by hanging him on a tree. Again, that is mighty bold talk considering who Peter is talking to.

Oftentimes in our lives, we are called upon to stand our ground and say that which is in our hearts and on our minds. However, many of us do not speak a word out of fear of retribution or condemnation. Then, like Peter, there are those who don’t hold back. While it is true, discretion is the better part of valor, we must determine our reasoning for using discretion. Is it simply fear-based, or is it faith-based? What do you believe Peter’s reasoning was when he spoke so boldly to the high priest?

I had an Old Testament professor who would say, “If you’re going to sin, sin boldly.” I would like to rephrase this to: If you really believe what is in your heart, then say it boldly. Fear should not rule our hearts. It never ruled our Lord and Savior’s.

Grace, Peace & Mercy to all,

Wes

church



COMING APRIL 27th!

OUR ANNUAL

FISH FRY & AUCTION!

Tickets are \$10 each

AUCTION



AUCTION ITEMS

Our Annual Fish Fry & Auction will be

Saturday, April 27th.

Please bring auction items to the church office.

We would like new or slightly used items

Our auction has always been a big success and
we are hoping to continue that trend.

Remember, the auction is

Saturday, April 27th

so please get your items to the office soon!



**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 **TNT** Sunday School Class
Is continuing its study of
**THE LETTER TO THE
ROMANS.**

We study various books of the Bible and
recently completed the book of Philippians.

If you enjoy a wide range study of scripture,
we would love to have you join us.



***The Journey Sunday School Class will
Continue our study of
THE GOSPEL OF LUKE
on***

Sunday, April 28th,

We hope you will join us.

Please read **chapter 11**
and be prepared to discuss it.

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

The Gospel According to Luke, also called the Gospel of Luke, or simply Luke, is the third of the four canonical Gospels. It tells of the origins, birth, ministry, atonement, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ. Luke is the longest of the four gospels and the longest book in the New Testament; together with Acts of the Apostles it makes up a two-volume work from the same author, called Luke–Acts. The cornerstone of Luke–Acts' theology is "salvation history", the author's understanding that God's purpose is seen in the way he has acted, and will continue to act, in history.



**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 Exodus.
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.**



CONGRATULATIONS TO Kayden Levi Bennett!

Kayden was baptized Easter Sunday. Kayden attended the Pastor's Class, studied the material given, spoke of his faith with the Pastor and received support from his family throughout his learning process. Kayden chose his grandmother to be his sponsor and she attended the classes with him. His grandmother, Connie Spears, as well as his grandfather, Jim Spears, contributed to Kayden's education on Baptism. Both shared their faith and their experiences in being baptized.

Kayden is now in the hands of our congregation for nurturing and support. As with all members of CCC, we are to be examples of love, righteousness and faithful attendants of God's house.

Congratulations Kayden and Welcome into full membership!



Thank
You

Our Easter Egg Hunt and activities were a huge success! A very big THANK YOU goes to Tami and Glen Hudspeth for their hard work in putting everything together.

We would also like to thank all those who helped Tami and Glen in preparing for the big day. Whether it was cooking, serving, hiding eggs, or whatever capacity you were utilized in, we thank you for making it a most wonderful day.

Thanks again, Tami and Glen!!



The United States was one of the first countries in the world to celebrate Arbor Day, a holiday dedicated to tree planting. National Arbor Day in the USA is celebrated on the last Friday in April. Besides, each state celebrates its own state tree planting holiday. Arbor Day was founded by Julius Sterling Morton, a Nebraska newspaper editor, agriculturalist and statesman. Morton was a respected agriculturalist fascinated with trees, he planted numerous trees on his estate.

Currently, his former mansion and estate serve as Arbor Lodge State Historical Park. Morton came up with the idea of celebrating Arbor Day in the early 1870s. The first celebration was held in Nebraska on April 10, 1872.

Its participants planted an estimated one million trees throughout the state. By the 1920s, each state had passed laws that stipulated a certain day to be state Arbor Day. In some states, the holiday was named Arbor and Bird Day. In Nebraska, Arbor Day is a civic holiday. National Arbor Day in the United States was established as a state holiday in 1885.

It was moved from April 10 (its original date proposed by Morton) to April 22 (Morton's birthday). In 1989, the holiday was moved to the last Friday in April. On this day, Americans are encouraged to plant trees, bushes and plants (if weather conditions allow) and care for their national environment.

CABINET MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 29th

WE WILL HAVE OUR
CABINET MEETING

AT 6 P.M.

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.



CHRISTIAN FAMILY WEEK

IS

MAY 5TH - 11TH

We will have a special service,
along with a Potluck Luncheon

to celebrate

Christian Family Week

on Sunday, May 5th!



SUNDAY, MAY 12TH, WE WILL BE
CELEBRATING

MOTHER'S DAY

HERE AT
CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

BRING YOUR MOTHER TO CHURCH ON
THIS SPECIAL DAY!

The Opportunities, Inc. Board of Directors

Cordially invites you

To attend a

Volunteer Appreciation Tea

And

Tree Dedication

By May Dale Garden Club

In Honor of Diane Green

Thursday, May 16, 2019

1:00 p.m.

Opportunities Board Room

6101 N. State Line Avenue

“Volunteers plant seeds of love that help countless hearts to grow”



May is
Mental Health
Awareness Month

SUNDAY, MAY 19TH,

IS

MENTAL HEALTH

SUNDAY.

ON THIS SPECIAL DAY

LET US BE IN PRAYER

FOR THOSE WHO ARE
DEALING WITH MENTAL
HEALTH ISSUES.



JUNE 9TH

IS

PENTECOST
SUNDAY!

BE SURE TO WEAR RED

FOR THIS CELEBRATION OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT.



The Outreach Committee is excited to offer you the opportunity to participate in “Meals 4 Multitudes”. This response to poverty provides 10,000 packaged meals to hungry children living in Ethiopia. The cost to do this \$3,000.00. This amount of money includes all costs to feed these children in the name of Christ. Here is how YOU can help:

1. Prayer for the effort
2. Volunteer for the setup, packaging of meals, clean up, and take down on the day of packaging
3. Help us meet our goal of \$3,000.00!

We currently have \$1,600.00 for this effort. If you would like to help us out with a financial donation, please make your check out to the church but earmark it for “Meals 4 Multitudes” on the “for” line.

Matthew 25:37-40 Then the righteous will answer his saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’

Thank you, in advance for helping us with this effort.



JUST A REMINDER TO OUR CONGREGATION

OUR

OFFICE HOURS

ARE

8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY



Disciple's Crossing New Beginnings Capital Campaign

Disciple's Crossing in Athens, Texas is near and dear to many of our hearts. Several church members have served on the Board there, many of us have given countless hours directing camps, sponsoring groups, funding campers, and much more. It is a special place where many of us have encountered God in a new and different way.

At our last Board of Directors meeting, each of us were challenged with encouraging our members to help support our on-going campaign- New Beginnings Capital Campaign. Our goals are to build new facilities, repair current buildings, and renovate others so that more people can encounter this Holy place. This would further equip Disciples Crossing to empower individuals through spiritual formation, faith renewal, and Sabbath rest.

As of May, we had raised \$398,800. Our goal is to raise a total of \$1,500,000. The estimate includes building a gathering space that would allow groups larger than 150 people to meet, giving them a public venue for gatherings. It would also allow the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) denominational a gathering space for assemblies, church events, retreats, etc. We have also figured in a smaller venue that could serve as a spiritual retreat center. Parking lot repair, Technology upgrades, and amaintenance endowment have been figured in as well.

With the additions mentioned above, Disciples Crossing estimates that it will increase the total number of guest per year by 1,000. You can help us do this by donating through the website or sending a check to Disciples Crossing (with Capital Campaign in the memo line) to Disciples Crossing. We, along with the other Disciples of Christ congregations across the tri-area, have been asked as a congregation to raise at least \$2,500.00, and I KNOW we can do it! Here is the web address and camp address:

<http://www.disciplescrossing.org/newbeginnings>

Disciples Crossing, 3693 St Hwy 31 East, Athens, TX 75752

Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

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

April 27	6pm	Fish Fry and Auction
April 28	4pm	Randy Sam's Prep
April 28	6pm	Randy Sam's serving
April 29	5:30pm	Outreach Committee
April 29	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
May 1	5:30pm	Choir
May 5	12:00pm	Christian Family potluck
May 8	5:30pm	Choir
May 9	6:30pm	CWF Night Group
May 12	all day	Mother's Day
May 14	10:30am	CWF Day Group
May 15	5:30pm	Choir
May 18	9am	CMF
May 19	all day	Mental Health Sunday



THE NEW CCC WEB SITE

Our web site has been renovated!

Be sure to visit www.ccctxk.com

to see what's new!

Our site is easy to navigate and
there is lots of information.



LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD?

Matthew 25:40

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.



PRAYER LIST

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.

MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Elders are in charge of Randy Sam's.	Christian Family Potluck Please bring the following: Last name beginning with: A-G: Meat H-Z: Vegetable or salad	1 5:30pm Choir	2	3	4	
5 Christian Family Week 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 12pm Christian Family potluck	6	7	8 5:30pm Choir	9 6:30pm CWF Night Group	10	11
12 Mother's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	13	14 10:30am CWF Day Group	15 5:30pm Choir	16	17	18 9am CMF
19 Mental Health Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	20 5:30pm Outreach Committee 6pm General Board	21	22 5:30pm Choir	23	24	25
26 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sam's prep 6pm Randy Sam's serving	27 office closed	28	29 5:30pm Choir	30	31	

May Birthdays

Bob Wilmoth	05-09
Donna Curtis	05-10
Richard Martin	05-13
Isabelle Fowler	05-13
Roger Spencer	05-15
Gabriel Fowler	05-16
Diane Pope-King	05-20
Aaron Doddy	05-24
Midge Cooney	05-28
Wes Byas	05-28
John Beeson	05-29
Mack Hubbard	05-31

May Anniversaries

Tim & Donna Nash 05-21



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

May 5, 2019

Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor
 Worship Leader: Tim Nash
 Hospital Elder: Troy Kern
 Flower Elder: Robert Kern
 Deacons: Martha Clinton, Pat Taylor, Lynn Wilmoth, Tamara Campbell

May 12, 2019

Greeters: Claudine Brown and Midge Cooney
 Worship Leader: Jean Nailing
 Hospital Elder: Frank Caudle
 Flower Elder: Teri Stover
 Homebound Elder: Alice Kern
 Homebound Deacon: Jack Duncan
 Deacons: Randy King, Tom Crow, Teresa Crow, Jamie Bennett

May 19, 2019

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth
 Worship Leader: John Beeson
 Hospital Elder: Midge Cooney
 Flower Elder: Mike Martin
 Deacons: Jack Fisher, Lois Moore, Jack Duncan, Sondra Bedwell

May 26, 2019

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter
 Worship Leader: John Cunningham
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears
 Homebound Elder: Donna Nash
 Homebound Deacon: Martha Clinton
 Deacons: Diane Pope-King, Hayden Stover, Alice Coleman, Robert Kern

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church
 Wes Byas
 Eran Yoder
 Carma Lee Frost
 Michelle Carter
 Jane Watson
 Bob Honeycutt, friend of Elaine Hamilton
 Bill Tom, Mary Dawn, Trey & Matt Hudspeth
 Martha Clinton
 Reese Utley, friend of Philip Stover
 Betsy Spencer
 Steve Langford, friend of Tom Crow
 Susie Howdeshell
 James Thompson
 Shirley Werst, Tamara Campbell's mom

Ongoing Concerns

Jauquita Hargus
 Phyllis Dixon
 George Moore, George & Julia's grandson
 John Cunningham
 Roger Spencer
 Craig Bivins, friend of Randy King
 Matt Lowe, Robert and Alice Kern's son-in-law
 Rita Cooksey
 Bobby Tallent
 Paul Wayson, Evelyn Tallent's brother
 Vickie Oliver

Homebound

Bob Benbow, The Retreat, room 410
 Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life
 Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A

Central Christian Church Decals

\$5.00

Church office or Hebrews



Serving this Sunday

April 28, 2019

Greeters: Alan & Janet Bennett

Worship Leader: Connie Spears

Hospital Elder: Jack Carter

Flower Elder: Joan Carter

Homebound Elder: John Beeson

Homebound Deacon: Jack Duncan

Deacons: Hayden Stover, Jamie Bennett,
 Robert Kern, Alice Coleman

April 21, 2019

Attendance: 151

Offering: \$ 2,560.82

Weekly Needs: \$ 4,388.42

Difference: \$ -1,827.60

YTD Collected: \$ 64,693.99

YTD Needed: \$ 74,553.14

Difference: \$ -9,859.15

LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 28, 2019

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31