

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him this man was squandering his property. ${ }^{2}$ So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ${ }^{3}$ Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ${ }^{4}$ I have decided what to do so when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ${ }^{5}$ So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ${ }^{6}$ He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty., ${ }^{7}$ Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ${ }^{8}$ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are shrewder in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ${ }^{9}$ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

10 "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ${ }^{11}$ If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ${ }^{12}$ And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ${ }^{13}$ No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

A man who lived on Long Island was able one day to satisfy a lifelong ambition by purchasing for himself a very fine barometer. When the instrument arrived at his home, he was extremely disappointed to find the indicating needle appeared to be stuck, pointing to the sector marked "HURRICANE." After shaking the barometer very vigorously several times, its new owner sat down and wrote a scorching letter to the store from which he had purchased the instrument. The following morning on the way to his office in New York, he mailed the letter. That evening he returned to Long Island to find not only the barometer missing, but his house also. The barometer's needle had been right; there was a hurricane!

As he always did as he walked this earth, Jesus instructs us to let God be our barometer. He will always point us in the right direction.


It has been said, "We never truly get over a loss, but we can move forward and evolve from it." While this is true, it is a process many of us never fully move through, especially if we experience the loss of a child. So often, we get "stuck" in a stage of grief and remain there. This is the reason groups that deal with grief are so important; they help us move through the stages so we can move forward and evolve. Sadly, such groups are often not advertised, promoted, or supported by local organizations.

Here at Central Christian Church we are very blessed to have such a group and we want to promote this organizations work. The Hope Remains Chapter of Texarkana meets in HeBrews on the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Tuesday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. The focus is for parents and grandparents grieving the loss of a child or grandchild.

The mission of Hope Remains is to offer a safe place where any and all emotions may be freely expressed. There may be tears shed at the meetings. There may be laughter and smiles shared as precious memories of a child, grandchild, or sibling is recalled. And, there will always be acceptance, friendship and hope offered at the meetings.

If you have suffered the loss of a child or grandchild and wish to join this greatly needed organization, please contact Cindy Sanford at (903) 280-4130.

# MEN'S FELLOWSHIP 

## THE

## CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP <br> (CMF)

## WILL BE MEETING

Saturday, SEPTEMBER $21^{\text {ST }}$

at 9:00 A.M. in HeBrews

Please make every effort to be present. We are working hard to build our Men's group.

## Pege 4 <br>  <br> THE <br> 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 bookYou 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 BOOK OF ACTS

We study various books of the Bible and recently completed The Book of JOSHUA.

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.


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\text { The Journey Sunday School } \\
\text { will continue our study of } \\
\text { THE BOOK OF ACTS } \\
\text { on } \\
\text { Sunday, September } 22^{\text {nd }} \\
\text { We hope you will join us. } \\
\text { Please read chapter } 8 \\
\text { and be prepared to discuss it. }
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## The Journey class meets in the Library in the Community Center.

Acts of the Apostles, often referred to simply as Acts, or formally the Book of Acts, is the fifth book of the New Testament; it tells of the founding of the Christian church and the spread of its message to the Roman Empire. Acts and the Gospel of Luke make up a two-part work, Luke-Acts, by the same anonymous author, usually dated to around 80-90 AD. The first part, the Gospel of Luke, tells how God fulfilled his plan for the world's salvation through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth, the promised Messiah. Acts continues the story of Christianity in the 1st century, beginning with Jesus's ascension to Heaven. The early chapters, set in Jerusalem, describe the Day of Pentecost (the coming of the Holy Spirit) and the growth of the church in Jerusalem. Initially, the Jews are receptive to the Christian message, but soon they turn against the followers of Jesus. Rejected by the Jews, under the guidance of the Apostle Peter the message is taken to the Gentiles. The later chapters tell of Paul's conversion, his mission in Asia Minor and the Aegean, and finally his imprisonment in Rome, where, as the book ends, he awaits trial.


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.

## ACTORS GUILD

## REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

FOR


| Sunday, <br> Sept. 8 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
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| Sunday, <br> Sept. 15 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Sunday, <br> Sept. 22 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Sunday, <br> Sept. 29 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Sunday, <br> Oct. 6 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Sunday, <br> Oct. 13 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Sunday, <br> Oct. 20 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Friday, <br> Oct. 25 | $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $9: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Disciple Hall |
| Saturday, <br> Oct. 26 | $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}-$ <br> $9: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |

PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR OUR REHEARSALS. DON'T HESITATE TO BEGIN MEMORIZING YOUR LINES.


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.'

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER $22^{\text {ND }}$

The YOUTH
WILL BE SERVING AT RANDY SAM'S.

## IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO

 HELP THEM SERVETHE HOMELESS
PLEASE LET OUR ADMIN. ASSIST., TONYA KNOW.

WE MEET IN DISCIPLE HALL AT 4 PM
TO PREPARE THE MEAL, THEN SERVE AT RANDY SAM'S AT 6 PM.

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& \text { THE OUTREACH } \\
& \text { COMMITTEE } \\
& \text { WILL MEET } \\
& \text { ON } \\
& \text { MONDAY, SEP. } 23^{\text {rd }} \\
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& \text { Board Meeting } \\
& \text { THERE WILL BE A } \\
& \text { GENERAL BOARD MEETING } \\
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& \text { AT } 6 \text { P.M. } \\
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## "WHO'S COOKIN""

By Nancy Bond
A Mystery Dinner Theatre

## Presented by CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH <br> Saturday, October 26-6:00 to 9:00 PM at 903 Walnut St., Texarkana, TX 75501

Who's Cookin' up a scrumptious meal and who's cookin' up a shady scheme to win a charity competition? Be our guest at an elite gala where three celebrity chefs including Patty Deen, Gordy Whimsey, and Rochelle Ray battle to lead their teams to victory. Pairs will fight for votes, but when the coveted grand prize starts slipping away, will the mischief of self-absorbed, win-at-all-costs celebrities bring the evening's events to a halt? Or will the audience help solve the mystery and crown the true victor?

If you're a fan of food, fun, and mystery then don't miss the chance to be a part of the action.
TICKET SALE DATES AND PRICE DETAILS COMING SOON!


## JUST A REMINDER TO OUR CONGREGATION

OUR
OFFICE HOURS
ARE
8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

## Disciples Crossing

## 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.
$\left.\left.\begin{array}{|c}\hline \text { NEWSLETTER AND } 411 \text { REMINDER } \\ \begin{array}{c}\text { Just a reminder that any articles you would like to submit } \\ \text { for publication in the Newsletter or 411 must be } \\ \text { submitted to the office no later than noon } \\ \text { on Tuesdays. }\end{array} \\ \text { After that time, we cannot guarantee your } \\ \text { article } \\ \text { will be published. } \\ \text { Day \& Time may vary during holidays } \\ \text { CHURCH BULLETIN }\end{array}\right\} \begin{array}{c}\text { Any information you will like in the Church Bulletin } \\ \text { must be submitted to the office } \\ \text { no later than 10am } \\ \text { on Fridays }\end{array}\right\}$ 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 

## September 21 <br> September 21 <br> September 21 <br> September 22 <br> September 22 <br> September 22 <br> September 23 <br> September 23 <br> September 29 <br> September 29 <br> October 2 <br> October 6

9am
10:30am
12pm
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## CMF

CWF General Meeting
Fellowship Committee
Play Rehearsal
Randy Sams Prep
Randy Sams serving
Outreach Committee
General Board
5th Sunday Breakfast
Play Rehearsal
Choir
Play Rehearsal


## 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.

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.

| $\text { SEPTEMBER } 2019$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $2{ }^{2}$ office closed | 3 | 4 | 5pm Choir | 5 |  | 6 |  | 7 |
|  | 9 | 10 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group in HeBrews | 11 | Spm Choir | 12 |  | 13 |  | 141 10:30am Disciple Hall rest |
|  | 16 | 17 | 18 |  | 19 |  | 20 |  |  |
|  | 23  <br>  5:30pm Outreach <br>  Committee <br>  6pm General Board | 24 | 25 |  | 26 |  | 27 |  | 28 |
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 Worship Leader: Lisa Kern
Hospital Elder: Donna Nash
Flower Elder: Tim Nash
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September 29, 2019
Deacons: Pat Taylor, Jack Duncan, Sondra Bedwell, Tom Crow Homebound Deacon: Martha Clinton Flower Elder: George Carpenter
Homebound Elder: Midge Coone Hospital Elder: Julia Carpenter Worship Leader: Mike Martin Greeters: Harold \& Pat Taylor September 22, 2019

Deacons: Judy Van Hooser, Jack Fisher, Alice Coleman, Lois Moore Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
Flower Elder: Connie Spears Greeters: Alader: Jack Carter September 15, 2019

Deacons: Robert Kern, Teresa Crow, Lynn Wilmoth, Martha Clinton

 Hospital Elder: John Beeson Worship Leader: John Cunningham Greeters: Mike \& Martha Clinton September 8, 2019

Deacons: Pat Taylor, Sondra Bedwell, Diane Pope-King, Martha Clinton Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern Greeters: Philip \& Teri Stover
Worship Leader: Troy Kern September 1, 2019
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| Prayer Need |
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| Our Church |
| Wes Byas |
| Family of M.G. Crain, Mike Crain's father |
| Dan Bennett, Donna Nash's father |
| Millie Dawn, friend of Randy King |

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Janie Coker
Bob Honeycutt, friend of Elaine Hamilton
Bill Thompson, friend of George Carpenter, Jr.
Martha Clinton
Steve Langford, friend of Tom Crow

## Ongoing Concerns

Carma Lee Frost
Zoe Jones, friend of Lois Moore
Mary Dawn, Tom, Trey \& Matt Hudspeth
Bobby Tallent
Paul Wayson, Evelyn Tallent's brother
Vickie Oliver

## Homebound

Ben Nash, Cornerstone
Betty Webb, Brookdale, Apt. 109
Bob Benbow, The Retreat Room 410
Jauquita Hargus, home
Susie Howdeshell, home
Roger Spencer, Waterton Room 105
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life
Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A

## Memorials

John Cobb
Richard Martin
The Chancel Choir, FUMC, Arkansas
David Nailling
Richard Martin

Sermon This Sunday:
"Fitting One's Need"
Scripture:
Jeremiah 8:8-13

