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1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so we can take nothing out of it; ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

FROM THE

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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A common misconception is, neither Jesus nor Paul liked rich people. As you can see in this text and in many texts in the Gospels, this simply is not true. Both Jesus and Paul had issues with what "some" rich people did with their money, not that they "had" money. Notice how Paul speaks of the rich being more apt to fall into temptation. Jesus spoke of the same temptations as Paul. Yet, neither condemned wealth. However, both encouraged and spoke of the wealthy "helping" others who have less or nothing. Fact is, whether we consider ourselves rich or not, we are all called to help the less fortunate. Not to help is to "wander away from the faith."

Let us be faithful in serving the Lord. Let us help others as best we can.

Grace, Peace & Mercy to all, Wes



2019 has been a wonderful year! We have accomplished much in terms of ministry and upkeep on our church and we thank each and every one of you.

Here's our budget to date:

Total 2019 Budget:	\$228,198.00
Total giving up to 09-22-19:	\$140,426.79
Difference:	\$ -87,771.21

In order to meet our 2019 Budget by December 31st, we will need to catch up on our giving.

YTD Collected: \$140,426.79 YTD Needed: \$171,098.38 Difference: \$-30,671.59

At this point, as you can see, we are \$30,671.59 short of our budgeted amount. We are asking, if you are not up to date on your pledge, please do what you can to help close this gap.

We are so thankful for all of you and feel blessed you have a love for the ministry of Central Christian Church. God Bless you all!!



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, IS OUR 5TH SUNDAY BREAKFAST!

Sunday School Classes, please bring:

Seekers: Continental breakfast food of choice.
Fellowship: Continental breakfast food of choice.
TNT: Continental breakfast food of choice.
Journey: Continental breakfast food of choice.

COME JOIN US IN BREAKING BREAD AS WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE OUR LORD

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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 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.



The Journey Sunday School will NOT meet on Sept. 29th

due to FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST For our class on **Sunday, October 6th**, Please read chapter 9 and be prepared to discuss it.

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 He-Brews at 9:40 a.m.

ACTORS GUILD REHEARSAL SCHEDULE FOR



Sunday, Sept. 8	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Sunday, Sept. 15	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Sunday, Sept. 22	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Sunday, Sept. 29	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Sunday, Oct. 6	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Sunday, Oct. 13	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Sunday, Oct. 20	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Friday, Oct. 25	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Disciple Hall
Saturday, Oct. 26	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	PLAY

PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR OUR REHEARSALS. DON'T HESITATE TO BEGIN MEMORIZING YOUR LINES. SEE YOU SUNDAYS, AT 4 P.M.!!!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th WE WILL HAVE A CHRISTMAS DINNER

MEETING.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THIS YEARLY EVENT, PLEASE COME TO THE MEETING IN HEBREWS IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP.



SUNDAY, OCT 20TH, WE WILL HAVE OUR

SUNDAY POTLUCK

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IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

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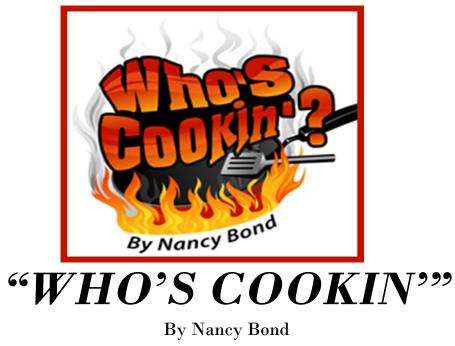
WORSHIP SERVICE

PLEASE BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL

TO CELEBRATE

OUR STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN



A Mystery Dinner Theatre

Presented by CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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!



<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.'

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

CWF

WILL BE SERVING AT RANDY SAM'S.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO

HELP THEM SERVE

THE 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.



THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON MONDAY, OCT. 28th AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE LIBRARY

CABINET MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28th 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.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS PLEASE BE SURE TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS & WATCHES

BACK "1" HOUR

BEFORE YOU GO TO BED SATURDAY NIGHT, THE 2ND.

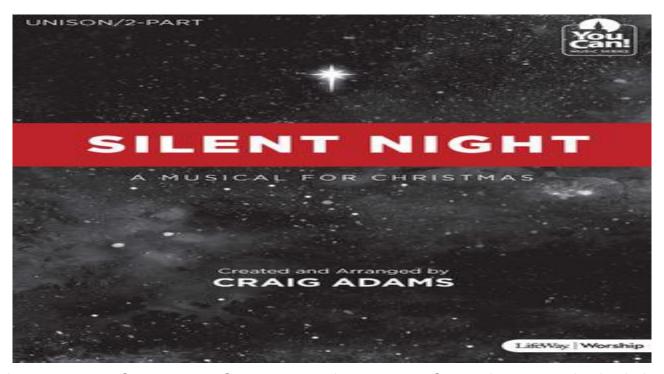


THANKSGIVING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, IS THANKSGIVING SUNDAY. THEREFORE, WE WILL SHARE IN A THANKGIVING MEAL AFTER OUR WORSHIP SERVICE AND HAVE A BAKE SALE!

PLEASE PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019 AT 10:40 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY.



This Cantata features a festive combination of timeless carols, holiday favorites, and inspiring narration. Each song has been uniquely arranged. Centered on one of the best-loved Christmas carols of all time, this celebration will make this Christmas season unforgettable for our church and community! Songs include: *Carol Celebration Medley* (includes *O Come, All Ye Faithful; Angels We Have Heard on High; The First Noel; Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come* and *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*); *Do You Hear What I Hear?; Jesus, God's Own Son; Silent Night (God's Great Love)* and *Celebration of Hope Finale* (includes *Hope for the Ages; Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* and *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*).

Dear Church, Thank you for all you have done for John and me and for our family. We are so grateful for your love, support, cards, phone calls, visits, financial donations to the church and all the wonderful food you provided for our family. We felt your love, concern and prayers through this difficult time. You know John did and I do really love this church. . In Christian love The Family of John Cobb



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.

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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.

	Upcor	ning Events & Services
September 29	9:30am	5th Sunday Breakfast
September 29	4pm	Play Rehearsal
October 2	5pm	Choir
October 6	8:45am	Trail Boss Breakfast
October 6	12pm	Christmas Dinner planning meeting
October 6	4pm	Play Rehearsal
October 8	10:30am	CWF Day Group
October 9	5pm	Choir
October 10	6:30pm	CWF Night Group
October 13	4pm	Play Rehearsal
October 16	5pm	Choir
October 19	9am	CMF
October 20	12pm	Stewardship



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.



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.

OCTOBER 2019

27 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams serving	20 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 12pm Stewardship Celebration potluck 4pm Play Rehearsal	13 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Play Rehearsal	6 World Communion Sunday Reconciliation offering 9am Elders in Prayer 8:45am Trail Boss Breakfast 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 12pm Christmas Dinner planning meeting 4pm Play Rehearsal	CWF is in charge of Randy Sams.	Sun
28 5:30pm Outreach Comm. 6pm Cabinet Meeting	21	14	7	3rd Sunday potluck Please bring the following: Last name beginning with: A-G: Meat H-Z: Vegetable or salad	Mon
29	22	15	8 10:30am CWF Day Group 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group in HeBrews	1	Tue
30	23	16	6	2	
5pm Choir	5pm Choir	5pm Choir	5pm Choir	5pm Choir	Wed
31	24	17	10 6:30pm CWF Night Group	υ	Thu
	25 6pm Play Rehearsal	18	11	4	Fri
	26 6pm Mystery Dinner	19 9am CMF	12	S	Sat

	George & Julia Carpenter	Octobe	Annette Wilmoth	Beth Brine	David DeFoy	Alice Coleman	Sondra Crain	Kelley Folmar	Kelly Cunningham	Octo
	10-18	October Anniversaries	10-31	10-27	10-22	10-18	10-12	10-9	10-1	October Birthdays
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Servers for the Weeks Ahead ober 6, 2019 sters: George & Julia Carpenter ship Leader: pital Elder:

Flower Elder: Deacons: Judy Van Hooser, Tom Crow, Teresa Crow, Lynn Wilmoth October 13, 2019 Greeters: Frank & Betty Caudle Worshin Leader:

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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 *2nd 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.

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Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church Wes Byas Lee Nailling Dan Bennett, Donna Nash's father Millie Dawn, friend of Randy King 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 Central Christian Church Decals \$5.00 Church office or Hebrews



Attendance:

Serving this Sunday September 29, 2019

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth Worship Leader: Mike Martin Hospital Elder: Julia Carpenter Flower Elder: George Carpenter Deacons: Teresa Crow, Lois Moore, Tamara Campbell, Jack Fisher

September 22, 2019

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 Offering:
 \$ 2,213.90

 Weekly Needs:
 \$ 4,388.42

 Difference:
 \$ -2,174.52

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LECTIONARY FOR

SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31

Memorials

John Cobb

Claudine Brown Jeanie & Gary Nutter

Sermon This Sunday:

"Hindsight"

Scripture:

Luke 16:19-31