

Genesis 11:1-9

11 Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.” ⁵ The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the LORD said, “Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so they will not understand one another’s speech.” ⁸ So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

This story has always fascinated me. Truth is, if one were a literalist, this story could easily represent the beginning of discrimination for it is here people begin to see “differences” between themselves. Note, before the people’s language was confused, they were of one accord. Working together, living, and building as one people. Once the differences were introduced, they scattered over the face of the earth and “they left off building the city.” In other words, they were no longer of one accord living and working together. Without delving into the other implications of this text, in continuing through scripture we find discrimination becomes the norm in human life. A question that comes to mind is, “Do you believe the writers of this scripture intended for us to just accept discrimination as a fact of life or was their intention to challenge us to overcome that which separates us?” That is, if we understand where discrimination comes from, which is differences whether it be skin, language, customs, or beliefs, are we willing to look beyond our differences to see our common roots, that which brought us together a millennia ago? Are we a species who learns and overcomes or are we incapable of learning and therefore hopelessly lost in hate and violence all because of differences? Jesus said: “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Doesn’t all mean all? Our Lord & Savior does not set an example of discrimination, aren’t we to follow his example? After all, he ushered in the NEW Testament, the Gospel of Love and Forgiveness.



FLOWERS

The cost of flowers for the sanctuary has gone up.

Due to a price increase at the Flower Shop, the cost of flowers is now \$40.



Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Cel-Liberation Day or the Black Fourth of July, is an American holiday that commemorates June 19, 1865.

On this day, after almost two and half years since the implementation of the Emancipation Proclamation, enslaved African Americans were informed of their liberation from the slavery present in the former Confederate States of America. Texas was the most remote of the slave states, and the Emancipation Proclamation of January 1, 1863, was not enforced there until after the Civil War had ended. The name of the observance is a portmanteau of "June" and "nineteenth", the date of its celebration.

At first celebrations involved church-centered community gatherings in Texas. It spread across the South and became more commercialized in the 1920s and 1930s. Often the centerpiece was a food festival. A third stage was reached in the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s, when the focus became the story of struggle for postwar civil rights. The 1970s saw a fourth stage, which returned the focus to African American freedom and arts. By the 21st century Juneteenth was celebrated in most major cities across the United States. Activists are pushing Congress to recognize Juneteenth as a national holiday. Juneteenth is recognized as a state holiday or special day of observance in 46 of the 50 states.

Observance is primarily in local celebrations. Traditions include public readings of the Emancipation Proclamation, singing traditional songs such as "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing", and reading of works by noted African-American writers such as Ralph Ellison and Maya Angelou. Celebrations include rodeos, street fairs, cookouts, family reunions, park parties, historical reenactments, or Miss Juneteenth contests.



FATHER'S DAY
IS
SUNDAY, JUNE 21ST

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



SUNDAY, JULY 5th

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

WILL FOCUS ON

OUR NATION

GOD HAS

SO RICHLY

BLESSED.

LET US COME TOGETHER

TO CELEBRATE GOD'S

GIFT TO US.

LET US WORSHIP

BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY

VIA

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE POSTED

AND

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW IT

EACH AND EVERY SUNDAY.

REMEMBER:

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

ON

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CCCTXK/](https://www.facebook.com/ccctxk/)



COMMUNION FOR SHELTER IN PLACE

We have communion juice and wafer for all. If you would like to come by the Church Office to get a cup with wafer, just let us know when you're coming.

These are single serve like this:



Again, we have plenty for all, just call!

903-792-1915

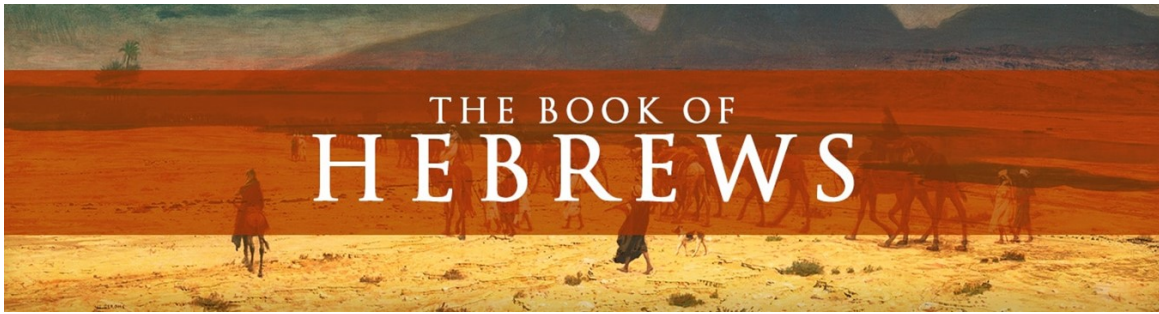


Some of our Adult Sunday School classes have combined during these difficult times.

The combined Sunday School will be held here at the church in the Community Room AND presented by use of a [Facebook group](#).

This class is studying the book of [1 Kings](#) and is taught by Jack Carter. The class includes a live stream presented every Sunday morning and everyone is invited to participate.

Remember, a combined Adult Sunday School class is here at the church every Sunday morning and on Facebook at 9:40 a.m.
on
[Facebook](#).



***The Journey Sunday School Class will
Will continue our study of
THE BOOK OF HEBREWS
on
Sunday, June 21st.***

We hope you will join us.
Please read **chapter 2**
and be prepared to discuss it.

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

The Epistle to the Hebrews, or Letter to the Hebrews, or in the Greek manuscripts, simply To the Hebrews is one of the books of the New Testament.

The text does not mention the name of its author, but was traditionally attributed to Paul the Apostle. However, doubt on Pauline authorship in the Roman Church is reported by Eusebius. Modern biblical scholarship considers its authorship unknown, perhaps written in deliberate imitation of the style of Paul. Although the writer's style reflects some characteristics of Paul's writing, there are some differences.

Scholars of Greek consider its writing to be more polished and eloquent than any other book of the New Testament, and "the very carefully composed and studied Greek of Hebrews is not Paul's spontaneous, volatile contextual Greek". The book has earned the reputation of being a masterpiece. It has also been described as an intricate New Testament book. Scholars believe it was written for Jewish Christians who lived in Jerusalem. Its purpose was to exhort Christians to persevere in the face of persecution. At this time, certain believers were considering turning back to Judaism (the Jewish system of law) to escape being persecuted for accepting Christ as their savior, now following this system of grace (saved by Jesus' sacrifice on the cross). The theme of the epistle is the doctrine of the person of Christ and his role as mediator between God and humanity.



JUST A REMINDER TO OUR CONGREGATION

OUR

OFFICE HOURS

ARE

8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

moderator

From the Moderator:

Just a reminder of the various ways in which you may keep your tithes and offerings going to the church without human contact:

1. Online banking, if you use it.
2. Go to the church with money or check in an envelope and drop it in the mail slot located by the entrance to the Admin. Offices.
3. If disabled, call Tonya during office hours and let her know you would like to pull into the parking lot and have her come out to your car for envelope.
4. By using the Givelify app on your phone. You can download this in the play store.

Alice Coleman

Moderator

“God is my refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble,” from Psalms 46:1, has seen me personally through the rough times in my own life.



If you are looking for a safe way to give to the church, download the “Givelify” app onto your phone. You can find it at the App Store as “Givelify Mobile Giving App” or at the Google Play Store under the same name “Givelify Mobile Giving App.” Our church is listed, and this is a safe and fast way to give. Be sure you enter Central Christian Church Texarkana before you give.

411 REMINDER

Just a reminder that any articles you would like to submit for publication in the 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

June 17	5pm	Choir
June 20	9am	CMF
June 21	all day	Father's Day
June 22	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
June 24	5pm	Choir
June 28	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
June 28	6pm	Randy Sams serving
July 1	5pm	Choir
July 3	all day	office closed
July 4	all day	Independence Day
July 5	10:40am	Independence Sunday
July 8	5pm	Choir



Be sure to keep up-to-date
with Church Activities

By visiting

www.ccctxk.com

to see what's new!

Our site is easy to navigate and
there is a lot of information.



PRAYER LIST

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST

In recent discussions with the Southwest Region, it has come to our attention “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.

JUNE 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 10:30am Worship Committee	2	3 5pm Choir	4	5	6
7 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	8	9 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group in HeBrews	10 5pm Choir	11	12	13
14 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	15	16	17 5pm Choir	18	19	20 9am CMF
21 Father's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	22 6pm Cabinet Meeting	23	24 5pm Choir	25	26	27
28 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	29	30				

June Birthdays

Jane Watson	6-01
Lisa Kern	6-15
Glenda Worley	6-16
John Cunningham	6-17
Mary Chittenden	6-18
Morgan Nash Ward	6-24
Alan Bennett	6-28
Angela Duddy	6-28
Betsy Spencer	6-29

June Anniversaries

James & Nancy Thompson	6-02
Stan & Pat Brummal	6-20
Alan & Janet Bennett	6-23



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

June 7, 2020

Greeters: Tim & Donna Nash
 Worship Leader: John Cunningham
 Hospital Elder: Teri Stover
 Flower Elder: Mike Martin
 Deacons: Jack Fisher, Jason Ellis, Donna Nash, Jack Duncan

June 14, 2020

Greeters: Philip & Teri Stover
 Worship Leader: Lee Nailing
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears
 Homebound Elder: Alice Kern
 Homebound Deacon: Robert Kern
 Deacons: Alice Coleman, Tom Crow, Lois Moore, Bob Wilmoth

June 21, 2020

Greeters: Alan & Janet Bennett
 Worship Leader: Jean Nailing
 Hospital Elder: Joan Carter
 Flower Elder: Jack Carter
 Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth, Tami Hudspeth, Jack Duncan, Mike Lamb

June 28, 2020

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth
 Worship Leader: Donna Nash
 Hospital Elder: Julia Carpenter
 Flower Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
 Homebound Elder: Midge Cooney
 Homebound Deacon: Donna Nash
 Deacons: Pat Taylor, Jason Ellis, Sondra Bedwell, Tom Crow

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church

Wes Byas

Tom Crow

Pam Smothermon, Joan Carter's sister

Polly Orr, Jane Watson's sister

Joye Lancaster, Beth Brine's cousin

Bobby Howell, friend of Johnny Cunningham

Beth Brine

Ongoing Concerns

Carma Lee Frost

Millege Norton, Martha Clinton's brother

Ann Smith, Dorothy Alves' sister

Michael Bennett, Alan Bennett's brother

Hudson Hall, friend of Lois Moore

Jack Donaldson, friend of Beth Brine

Zoe Jones, friend of Lois Moore

Mary Dawn, Tom, Trey & Matt Hudspeth

Paul Wayson, Evelyn Tallent's brother

Vickie Oliver

Homebound

Ben Nash, Cornerstone

Betty Webb, Brookdale, Apt. 109

Susie Howdeshell

Jauquita Hargus, home

Roger Spencer, Autumn Winds Assisted Living, Room 105

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 21, 2020

Greeters: Alan & Janet Bennett

Worship Leader: Jean Nailling

Hospital Elder: Joan Carter

Flower Elder: Jack Carter

Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth, Tami Hudspeth,
Jack Duncan, Mike Lamb

June 14, 2020

Attendance: 28

Offering: \$ 26,908.98

Weekly Needs: \$ 4,131.82

Difference: \$ 22,777.16

YTD Collected: \$109,574.71

YTD Needed: \$ 99,163.68

Difference: \$ 10,411.03

LECTIONARY FOR JUNE 21, 2020

Father's Day

Genesis 21:8-21

Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17

Romans 6:1b-11

Matthew 10:24-39

Sermon This Sunday:

"Contradictions"

Scripture:

Genesis 21:8-21