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Psalm 42:1-5

¹ As a deer longs for flowing streams,
so my soul longs for you, O God.

² My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.

When shall I come and behold
the face of God?

³ My tears have been my food
day and night,

while people say to me continually,
“Where is your God?”

⁴ These things I remember,
as I pour out my soul:
how I went with the throng,
and led them in procession to the house of God,
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,
a multitude keeping festival.

⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my help ⁶ and my God.

Whether our families are together or apart on Thanksgiving Day I hope we are still able to give thanks for the many blessings we have had this year. For those who have not had the coronavirus, be thankful. For those who have and survived, be thankful. All too often events in our lives such as coronavirus tend to overshadow our perception of the year. Yet, there is always something to be thankful for even if it is the simple fact that we HAVE a family, or have food to eat, clothes to wear, or a place to live. Far too many do not have these basic needs.

With glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, let us rejoice in the Lord.

God's blessings on you and your family during this Thanksgiving and the days beyond,

Wes

Coronavirus
Thanksgiving
hallelujah



There will be a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, December 13, at 11:50 a.m.,** in the sanctuary.

This is our annual meeting in December as stated in our Constitution and By-Laws.

Our proposed budget for 2021 will be presented as well as the proposed Officers, Elders and Deacons as suggested by our Nominating Committee.

Please be sure to attend this important meeting. Remember, Sunday, December 13, at 11:50 a.m., in the sanctuary.



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 wafers 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

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Please designate on the form below the number of plants you wish to order this year. We also ask that you specify how you would like the Sunday Bulletin Insert to read when it is published. In addition, please take the time to let us know whether or not you will be picking up your Poinsettia following our Christmas Eve service, or if you would prefer to have it delivered to one of our shut-ins, a homebound member, or to one of the local hospitals or nursing homes. May God bless you every day, and especially this Christmas season!



The cost of each Plant is \$13.00 Please pay in advance with you order.

NUMBER OF PLANTS: _____

PAYMENT AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

(Please print)
IN MEMORY OF:

IN HONOR OF:

NAME (S) OF DONOR (S) AS IT SHOULD APPEAR IN THE CHRISTMAS BULLETIN:

You may pick up your poinsettia Christmas Eve following the service.

ORDER DEADLINE: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH.



SATURDAY

November 28th

AT 10 A.M.

WE WILL BE

DECORATING

OUR

SANCTUARY

FOR

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO HELP.

Advent

*A Season of Hope
& Expectation*

ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29th,
WE ENTER THE FIRST SUNDAY
OF ADVENT.



Advent is a season observed as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the **Nativity of Jesus** at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming. The term is a version of the Latin word meaning "coming".



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6th

IS

HANGING **OF THE** GREENS!

THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL SERVICE

WHERE

WE DECORATE OUR

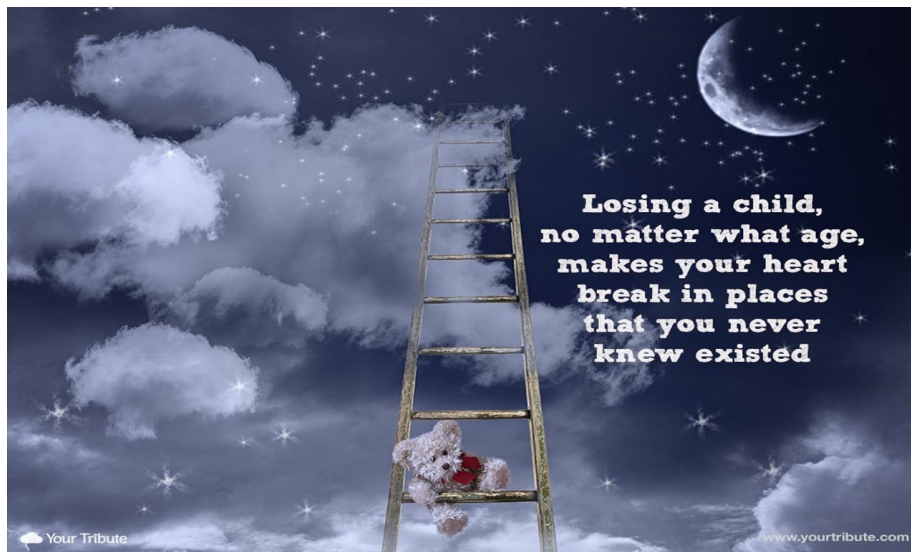
SANCTUARY FOR

CHRISTMAS

PLEASE COME JOIN IN

ON THIS FESTIVE OCCASION

AT THE 10:40 SERVICE.



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, DEC. 8th, IN HeBREWS

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.



DECEMBER 13TH

IS OUR

PARADE OF POINSETTIAS

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL SERVICE

THAT WILL

INSPIRE YOU

AND

SPIRITUALLY ENRICH YOUR

CHRISTMAS!

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS

CHRISTMAS EVENT!



THE
CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Saturday, December 19th

at 9:00 A.M. in HeBrews

We encourage all of our men to
be present.

We are working hard to build
our Men's group.



Christmas Bonuses

Dear Church Family,

It's the time of year again to think of our wonderful staff, Wes, Tonya, Beth and Ariel. If you would like to contribute to a Christmas bonus, please place a check to the church in a separate envelope with my name on it. I need the checks in by December 23rd.

Connie Spears



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, OUR CHANCEL CHOIR WILL PRESENT

“NOEL: BORN IS THE KING!”

THIS MUSICAL INCLUDES SELECTIONS FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION, POIGNANT NARRATION, AND FESTIVE ORCHESTRATION, THESE BELOVED SONGS WILL STIR THE HEARTS OF ALL WHO GATHER FOR OUR WORSHIP SERVICE.

THIS CHRISTMAS, AS OUR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION EXPERIENCE THE WONDERS OF THE SAVIOR'S BIRTH, WE WILL ALSO EXAMINE HIS KINGSHIP AND SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL OF US.

ALL WHO GATHER WILL BE ENCOURAGED AND INSPIRED TO LET THE PEACE OF CHRIST REIGN IN THEIR HEARTS.

TITLES INCLUDE:

THE FIRST NOEL; GOD REST YE MERRY, GENTLEMEN WITH HE HAS COME FOR US; MARY WAS THE FIRST ONE TO CARRY THE GOSPEL; WHAT CHILD IS THIS (UNDERSCORE); CAROL MEDLEY (INCLUDES ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY; HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING; AND ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH); NOEL; O HOLY NIGHT!; THE KING OF WHO I AM; AND THE FINALE: THE FIRST NOEL.

DON'T MISS THIS AMAZING CANTATA!!



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24TH,

JOIN US FOR OUR

CHRISTMAS EVE

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE.

SERVICE WILL BEGIN AT

6 P.M.

IN THE SANCTUARY.

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS

CELEBRATION

OF OUR LORD'S BIRTH.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL
RANDY SAM'S.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
HELP 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.

[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.'

Elder Training Event

Dates:

4 Sundays in January 2021

January 10, 17, 24, 31

Time:

7pm Central Time / 6pm Mountain Time

Location:

Online using Zoom

Cost:

\$10



Elders are the spiritual, discernment, and compassion leaders of Disciples congregations. Helping elders develop as elders and connect with others is an important ministry of the Christian Church in the Southwest.

In this Elders' Training, Andy Mangum will guide elders in examining their identity as elders, their roles providing leadership particularly at the table, contributing to congregational decision-making, and offering care to members of the congregation.

This will be an online (teleconference) event and will involve presentational content as well as group discussion.

Register at: <https://www.ccsw.org/events>



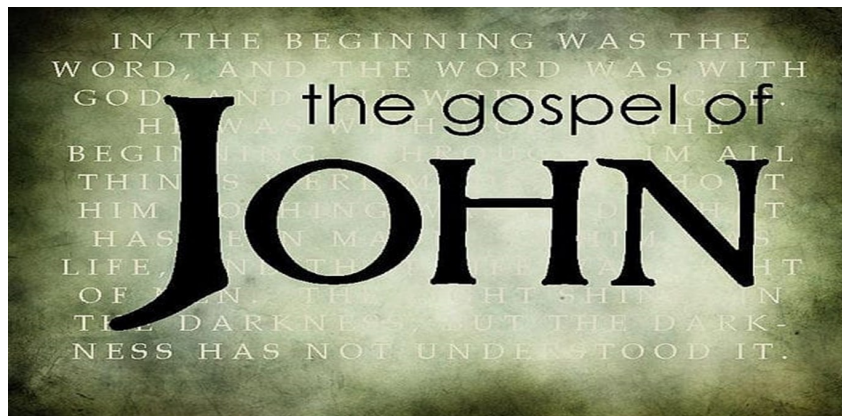
Some of our Adult Sunday School classes have combined during these difficult times.

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 gospel of [Matthew](#) 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 continue our study of
THE GOSPEL OF JOHN***

on

Sunday, November 29th

We hope you will join us.

Please read **chapter 12**
and be prepared to discuss it.

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

The Gospel of John, the fourth of the gospels, is a highly schematic account of the ministry of Jesus, with seven "signs" culminating in the raising of Lazarus (foreshadowing the resurrection of Jesus) and seven "I am" discourses culminating in Thomas's proclamation of the risen Jesus as "my Lord and my God"; the concluding verses set out its purpose, "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name." John reached its final form around AD 90–110, although it contains signs of origins dating back to AD 70 and possibly even earlier. Like the three other gospels, it is anonymous, although it identifies an unnamed "disciple whom Jesus loved" as the source of its traditions. It most likely arose within a "Johannine community", and as it is closely related in style and content to the three Johannine epistles most scholars treat the four books, along with the Book of Revelation, as a single corpus of Johannine literature, albeit not from the same author.

OFFICE HOURS



JUST A REMINDER TO OUR CONGREGATION

OUR

OFFICE HOURS

ARE

8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY



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.



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.



Our Sanctuary doors will not be unlocked until 10:20 a.m. unless a staff member or member is present in the sanctuary to prevent intruders from pilfering.

If you need in, please ask a Sunday School teacher if they can open up for you.

Thank You.

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

November 26	all day	Thanksgiving
November 26 & 27	all day	office closed
November 28	10am	Decorating the sanctuary
November 29	all day	1st Sunday of Advent
November 30	3pm	Deadline for Poinsettia orders
December 2	5pm	Choir
December 6	all day	2nd Sunday of Advent/Peace Sunday
December 6	10:40am	Hanging of the Greens
December 8	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
December 9	5pm	Choir
December 13	all day	3rd Sunday of Advent
December 13	10:40am	Parade of Poinsettias
December 13	11:50am	Congregational Meeting



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.

DECEMBER 2020

	Sum	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 5pm Choir	3	4	5
6 2nd Sunday of Advent Peace Sunday Hanging of the Greens 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	7		8 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	9 5pm Choir	10	11	12
13 3rd Sunday of Advent Parade of Poinsettias Christmas Offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 11:50am Congregational Mtg.	14		15	16 5pm Choir	17	18	19 9am CMF
20 4th Sunday of Advent Christmas Offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Christmas Cantata	21		22	23 5pm Choir	24 12pm office closes 6pm Candlelight Service	25 office closed 	26
27 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	28		29	30	31		

December Birthdays

Pat Brummal	12-1
Kayden Bennett	12-5
Martha Clinton	12-6
Peyton Stover	12-6
Kathy Cunningham	12-10
Colton Crain	12-13
Neldajo Mathison	12-15
Jason Ellis	12-20
Drake Hudspeth	12-31

December Anniversaries

John & Margie Beeson	12-11
Philip & Teri Stover	12-19
Mike & Sondra Crain	12-21
John & Kathy Cunningham	12-22



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

December 6, 2020

Greeters: John & Margie Beeson
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Mike Lamb, Jason Ellis, Alice Coleman, Robert Kern

December 13, 2020

Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Bob Wilmoth, Robert Kern, Sondra Bedwell, Jack Fisher

December 20, 2020

Greeters: Randy & Diane King
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Lois Moore, Tami Hudspeth, Jack Duncan, Donna Nash

December 27, 2020

Greeters: Tim & Donna Nash
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Jason Ellis, Mike Lamb, Alice Coleman, Tom Crow

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church
 Wes Byas
 Family of Neoma Norton
 Julia Carpenter
 Tamara Campbell
 Jane Watson
 Carla Lewis, friend of Bob Tallent
 Gracie Duncan, friend of Tim Nash
 Scottie Scurlock, friend of Julia Carpenter
 Joye Lancaster, Beth Brine's cousin

Ongoing Concerns

Roy Anderson, Carol Ann Tallent's fiancé's grandfather
 Kimberly Shute-McDaniel, friend of the Naillings
 Millege Norton, Martha Clinton's brother
 Ann Smith, Dorothy Alves' sister
 Michael Bennett, Alan Bennett's brother
 Jack Donaldson, friend of Beth Brine
 Zoe Jones, friend of Lois Moore
 Vickie Oliver

Homebound

Betty Webb, Brookdale, Apt. 109
 Carma Lee Frost, Brookdale, Apt. 132
 Susie Howdeshell
 Jauquita Hargus, home
 Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life
 Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A



Serving this Sunday
November 29, 2020

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter
 Worship Leader: Teri Stover
 Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
 Flower Elder: Joan Carter
 Deacons: Lois Moore, Robert Kern, Jack Duncan, Donna Nash

November 22, 2020

Attendance: 34
Offering: \$ 1,703.53
Weekly Needs: \$ 4,131.82
Difference: \$ -2,428.29

YTD Collected: \$190,332.68
YTD Needed: \$194,195.54
Difference: \$ -3,862.86

Central Christian Church Decals
 \$5.00
 Church office or Hebrews

LECTIONARY FOR
NOVEMBER 29, 2020
First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9
 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
 Mark 13:24-37

Sermon This Sunday:
"Spiritual Slumber"

Scripture:
 Mark 13:24-37

A support group for Widowed Men meets each
 Thursday at 1:30pm at
 Texarkana, Hospice. For more
 information, contact
 Texarkana Hospice at 903-794-4263.