

# The Central Christian 411

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## **2 Corinthians 5:6-10**

So, we are always confident; even though we know while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup> So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup> For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

<sup>14</sup> For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced one has died for all; therefore, all have died. <sup>15</sup> And he died for all, so those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup> So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

So many things come to mind when I read this scripture. One of the first is this about St. Augustine:

Before he became a Christian, Augustine lived a pleasure filled life. Many years after his conversion, he was approached by a prostitute he once knew, who called out his name. When he ignored her, she said:

"Augustine, you know me. Don't you remember me?"

"Yes, I know you, but you do not know me. The Augustine you knew is dead." Augustine replied.

He could say with Paul, whom God changed from a murderer of Christians to a missionary,

"I am a new creation; behold all things have become new."

When I think new life in Jesus, I think of this:

"I know the morning. I am acquainted with it, and I love it. I love it fresh and sweet as it is a daily new creation, breaking forth and calling all that have life and breath and being to a new adoration, new enjoyments, and new gratitude."

Every morning I give thanks to God for a new day, an opportunity to begin again, and I pray he will give me the courage to do just that: Start anew. Do you see each day as an opportunity to start a new life?

May our Creator be gracious unto you, Wes



# FLOWERS!!!!

Be sure to purchase flowers for  
the sanctuary to honor  
Friends or Family or  
in memory of a loved one.

The cost is only  
\$40.



## OFFICE OF DISCIPLES MEN

### A Virtual Men's Group!

The COVID-19 pandemic forced a lot of change upon all of us. Just about everything we took for granted about church could no longer be taken for granted. For months, we could not sit next to family and friends in our favorite pews in the sanctuary of our beloved churches. That is still true for many congregations. The hymnody of the church was turned into performance art rather than a way of expressing our heartfelt joy and gratitude to God. Our praise voices were silenced. Communion was no longer communal but a solitary act around our kitchen tables. The worship, business, study, prayer, and care activities of the church went virtual.

And, yet, we are still here, still church, still surviving the most significant disruption to life in the memory of nearly anyone alive today. Why? Because we adapted to the new reality we were handed. Like generations before us we adapted, we played the cards we were dealt, we made lemonade out of lemons, pick your favorite adage. We learned to live, work, play, and be church through a virtual platform.

We are not living a virtual life. Life is still very much real. Pain, suffering, oppression, violence, senseless killings, war, disease, poverty, racism, patriarchy are sadly all too real. No, we have been handed a virtual *platform* to carry on much of the relational dynamics so intrinsic to life.

True to the human spirit, we are learning how to make that platform work for us, not against us. We are learning how to preserve our humanity, exercise our faith, conduct our human affairs, and be a part of our grandchildren's lives...virtually.

So why not do men's ministry in this way, too!

If you would like information on starting a men's study group using The Jesus Way Journey resources from the Office of Disciples Men we encourage you to head over to the [Jesus Way Men website](#) for information on how to start a virtual study group for your congregation or with men in different congregations. Using a virtual platform, everyone can participate.

God bless!

## DISCIPLES MEN PODCAST

Please join Greg and Alex as they discuss issues related to men's ministry from a variety of perspectives. Listen to their conversations with Disciples leaders as they explore the importance of a dynamic men's ministry among Disciples committed to becoming a non-patriarchal and a pro-reconciling/anti-racist church. Here is a list of our most recent podcast:

[Rev. Yvonne Gilmore, Interim Administrative Secretary for the National Convocation](#)

[Chung Seong Kim, Executive Pastor of NAPAD \(North American Pacific/Asian Disciples\)](#)

[Patriarchy, White Supremacy, and Their Impact on Men's Ministries](#)

[Rev. Lori Tapia - National Pastor for Hispanic Ministries](#)

[Greg and Alex discuss the events of January 6, 2021](#)

[Rev. William Rose-Heim - Regional Minister of the Greater Kansas City Region](#)

[Rev. Sheila Spencer - Interim President of Disciples Home Missions](#)

[Mr. Nathan Higginbotham - Director of Men's Ministries for the Southwest Region](#)

[Complete List of the Disciples Mens Podcasts](#)

Learn more about **The Jesus Way Journey**, the work of Disciples Men, and the General Conference of Disciples Men through these podcasts!



FATHER'S DAY  
IS  
SUNDAY, JUNE 20<sup>th</sup>

MAKE PLANS NOW TO BRING YOUR  
DAD

WE WILL HAVE A POTLUCK  
LUNCHEON AFTER WORSHIP!



SUNDAY, JUNE 27<sup>th</sup>

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.'



## Our Church Growth & Evangelism

Committee will meet

Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, at

5:30 p.m.

in the

Community Room.

All members

please be present.



# *CABINET MEETING*

MONDAY, JUNE. 28<sup>TH</sup>

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.

# BAKED POTATO LUNCHEON



SUNDAY

JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

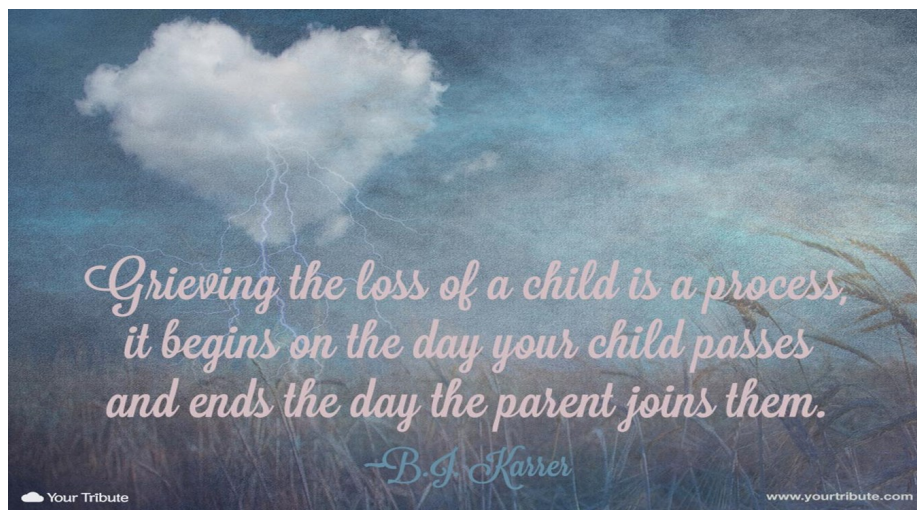
We will have a “loaded”  
Baked Potato luncheon that will  
include a salad and dessert!

This is a joint venture of the  
Events and Fellowship  
Committees

TAKEOUT ORDERS AVAILABLE

Donations  
are requested for this Luncheon





## HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 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 **2<sup>nd</sup> 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.



***The Journey Sunday School Class***

***Will continue our study of***

***1 SAMUEL***

***on***

***Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>***

We hope you will join us.

Please read **chapter 21**

and be prepared to discuss it.

*The Journey class* meets **in the Library** in the

**Community Center.**

The Book of Samuel forms part of the narrative history of Israel in the Nevi'im or "prophets" section of the Old Testament called the Deuteronomistic history, a series of books (Joshua, Judges, Samuel, and Kings) that constitute a theological history of the Israelites and aim to explain God's law for Israel under the guidance of the prophets. According to Jewish tradition, the book was written by Samuel, with additions by the prophets Gad and Nathan. Modern scholarly thinking is the entire Deuteronomistic history was composed in the period c. 630–540 BC by combining a number of independent texts of various ages.

Samuel begins with the prophet Samuel's birth and God's call to him as a boy. The story of the Ark of the Covenant that follows tells of Israel's oppression by the Philistines, which brought about Samuel's anointing of Saul as Israel's first king. But Saul proved unworthy and God's choice turned to David, who defeated Israel's enemies, purchased the threshing floor (2 Samuel 24:24), where his son, Solomon built the Temple and brought the Ark to Jerusalem. God then promised David and his successors an everlasting dynasty.



*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  
JUDGES**

We study various books of the Bible  
and recently completed the **GOSPEL  
OF MATTHEW.**

If you enjoy a wide range study of scripture, we would  
love to have you join us  
**in class** or **on FACEBOOK.**

We meet every Sunday in the Community Room.



BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY

VIA

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE POSTED **BY 5:30 P.M.**

AND

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW IT

EACH AND EVERY SUNDAY ON FACEBOOK.

REMEMBER:

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS **BY 5:30 P.M.**

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**





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.

## 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 9	5pm	Choir
June 16	5pm	Choir
June 19	9am	CMF
June 20	all day	Father's Day
June 20	12pm	Potluck luncheon
June 23	5pm	Choir
June 27	4pm	Randy Sams prep
June 27	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
June 28	5:30pm	Church Growth/Evangelism Committee
June 28	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
June 29	5pm	Events Committee
June 30	5pm	Choir



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

By visiting

[www.ccctxk.com](http://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 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon Please bring the following: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat Dish I-Z: Vegetable or salad		1	2	3	4	5
6 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School celebration pancake breakfast 10:40am Traditional Worship	7	8 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	9 5pm Choir	10	11	12
13 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	14	15	16 5pm Choir	17	18	19 9am CMF
20 Father's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 12pm Potluck Luncheon	21	22	23 5pm Choir	24	25	26
27 9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop-off	28 5:30pm Church Growth/ Evangelism Committee 6pm Cabinet Meeting	29 5pm Events Committee	30 5pm Choir			



## 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 6, 2021

Greeters: Philip & Teri Stover  
 Worship Leader: John Beeson  
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears  
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears  
 Deacons: Alice Coleman, Mike Lamb, Jack Duncan, Diane Pope-King

### June 13, 2021

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter  
 Worship Leader: Alice Coleman  
 Hospital Elder: Midge Cooney  
 Flower Elder: Mike Martin  
 Deacons: Lois Moore, Tami Hudspeth, Pat Taylor, Jason Ellis

### June 20, 2021

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth  
 Worship Leader: Lee Nailing  
 Hospital Elder: George Carpenter  
 Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
 Deacons: Bob Wilmoth, Sondra Bedwell, Tom Crow, Jack Duncan

### June 27, 2021

Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor  
 Worship Leader: Teri Stover  
 Hospital Elder: Jack Carter  
 Flower Elder: Joan Carter  
 Deacons: Jason Ellis, Donna Nash, Jack Duncan, Alice Coleman

# Weekly Info

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## Prayer Need

Our Church  
Wes Byas  
Diane Pope-King  
Judy Crutchfield, friend of George Carpenter  
Cowboy Mathison  
John Cunningham  
Roy Arnold, Sondra Bedwell's brother  
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister  
Richard Price, friend of Herb Hamilton  
Sandra Duncan  
Jane Watson  
Davis Coker, friend of Julia Carpenter

## Ongoing Concerns

Mandi Whisenhunt Smith, Randy King's niece  
John Heath, friend of the Carters  
Millegge Norton, Martha Clinton's brother  
Jack Donaldson, friend of Beth Brine  
Zoe Jones, friend of Lois Moore  
Vickie Oliver

## Homebound

Betty Webb, Brookdale, Apt. 109  
Susie Howdeshell  
Vida Brine, The Oaks, Room 22  
Jauquita Hargus, home  
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life  
Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505 A



We want to welcome  
Jayson Carroll to our church family.  
Jayson joined our church  
Sunday, May 30th  
by profession of faith.  
Welcome, Jayson!!

Serving this Sunday  
June 13, 2021



**Greeters:** Jack & Joan Carter

**Worship Leader:** Alice Coleman

**Hospital Elder:** Midge Cooney

**Flower Elder:** Mike Martin

**Deacons:** Lois Moore, Pat Taylor, Jason Ellis

June 6, 2021

**Attendance:** 37

**Offering 2021:** \$ 1,349.12

**Weekly Needs:** \$ 4,019.03

**Difference:** \$ -2,669.91

**YTD Collected:** \$ 79,116.76

**YTD Needed:** \$ 92,437.69

**Difference:** \$ -13,320.93

Central Christian Church Decals

\$5.00

Church office or Hebrews

**LECTIONARY FOR JUNE 13, 2021**

Third Sunday after Pentecost

**1 Samuel 15:34-16:13**

**Psalms 20**

**2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17**

**Mark 4:26-34**

**Sermon This Sunday:**

***"Grounded in Hope"***

**Scripture:**

**Mark 4:26-34**