

# The Central Christian 411

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## Hosea 11:1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him,  
and out of Egypt I called my son.

<sup>2</sup> The more I called them,  
the more they went from me;  
they kept sacrificing to the Baals  
and offering incense to idols.

<sup>3</sup> Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk;  
I took them up in my arms,  
but they did not know that I healed them.

<sup>4</sup> I led them with cords of human kindness,  
with bands of love.

I was to them like those  
who lift infants to their cheeks.  
I bent down to them and fed them.

My heart recoils within me;  
my compassion grows warm and tender.

<sup>9</sup> I will not execute my fierce anger;  
I will not again destroy Ephraim,  
for I am God and no mortal,  
the Holy One in your midst,  
and I will not come in wrath.

Hosea wants us to know God is good to us in spite of our sin. He leads us, He loves us, He offers kindnesses we could never repay. As God says, "I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath."

May we strive to be as good as our God and have love in our hearts, not wrath.

God's blessings on you all, Wes



Dear Church Family,

We are reaching out to you to remind you our church is alive and well but remains in need of your support. We realize these are difficult days but the ministry of our church presses on. In the past month we have had two water heaters break, replaced a freezer in our Disciple Hall kitchen, an increase in our electric bill due to the restoration equipment used in the Education Building, an issue with our phone system and air conditioning problems in the parlor and sanctuary. We need your support to repair and replace the necessary items and to pay the increase in our electric bill for the upkeep of our beautiful building.

As a reminder, there are a number of ways in which you may send the needed support:

1. Label your offering as **special gift**.
2. Mail your check via USPS in the enclosed addressed envelope.
3. Online banking, if you use it.
4. 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.
5. Use Givelify. If you use this method, please be sure to find Central Christian Church, **Texarkana**.

Although we are preparing for the upcoming stewardship drive, this need is immediate and would be above and beyond your yearly commitment. We hope you and your family are well. Thank you for your faithfulness in supporting our church and God bless.

*The Stewardship Committee*



SUNDAY, JULY 31<sup>ST</sup>,

WE WILL HAVE A

**CELEBRATION**

OF

OUR

NEWLY DECORATED PARLOR

**AFTER WORSHIP**

THERE WILL BE

COOKIES

AND

PUNCH



*It's not too late to give!*

[DMF Day \(disciplesmissionfund.org\)](https://disciplesmissionfund.org)

Make a gift on DMF Day to support Disciples Mission Fund, which makes it possible for the whole church to work together, doing far more than we could alone.

Individuals and congregations make contributions to DMF, which funds the work of regional and general ministries, who make it possible for us to be the church together, in many ways and in many places.

On August 4, 2022, we will celebrate the work we do together as church because of Disciples Mission Fund. Follow [Disciples social media](#) for live events, stories, and updates throughout the day.

*If you've ever...*

sat around a campfire at church camp  
had a visit from a global mission co-worker  
visited a Disciples college  
served on a search committee for a new pastor  
attended Children Worship and Wonder  
connected with other Disciples in your region

*...then you've seen Disciples Mission Fund at work.*

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Tell us your DMF story!

How has DMF made an impact on your congregation or your life? [Send us your story](#) and a picture and share it on social media tagged **#DMFDoesThat**.



***COMING TUESDAY,***

**AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>**

***CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP***

**DAY GROUP**

***We will meet in the***

***COMMUNITY ROOM***

***at 11:30 a.m.***

***If*** wish to join

***CWF***

this meeting is for you.



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY,  
AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>,  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

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 the Community Room 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](tel:9032804130).



THE  
*CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP*  
*(CMF)*

WILL BE MEETING

**Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**

**at 9:00 A.M. in the  
Community Room**

We encourage all of our men to be  
present.



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>,**  
**WE WILL HAVE A**  
**THIRD SUNDAY**  
**“BACK TO SCHOOL”**  
**POTLUCK LUNCHEON**  
**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING**  
**OUR**  
**WORSHIP SERVICE**

A-H = Salad or Vegetable

I-Z = Meat Dish

**\*\*We are asking everyone to bring a school supply  
to contribute to one of the local Elementary Schools.**





**MONDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>ND</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.



# Community Outreach

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28<sup>TH</sup>

WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL  
RANDY SAM'S.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
**HELP** SERVE THE HOMELESS  
PLEASE COME JOIN  
IN.

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.'

# LABOR SUNDAY



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>, IS

## LABOR SUNDAY

To work is to pray is the motto the Order of St. Benedict adopted.

St. Benedict, the founder of the order, recognized the sacred value of hard work, the notion that through the sweat of our brows and the strength of our arms and backs, we can worship the Creator.

Each of us works, whether with our hands or with our minds. Whether we are builders and teachers, executives or students, all of us spend a good portion of our lives at work. How we do that work and how we treat those who labor to make our world what it is says a lot about how we see the world spiritually.

Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup> is, in some Christian traditions, Labor Sunday -- the day before the national holiday that was created more than 100 years ago to honor workers. It has come to mean an end to the lazier days of summer and -- for many of us -- a day off to relax.

Let us come together to pray for our  
workforce on this special Sunday!



***COMING SATURDAY,***

**SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**

***CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP***

**GENERAL MEETING**

***We will meet in the***

***COMMUNITY ROOM***

***at 11:30 a.m.***

***If*** wish to join

***CWF***

this meeting is for you.



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>,  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

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We encourage all of our men to be  
present.



## SUMMER BULLETIN

Staffing, we know, is a problem everywhere we go, including our favorite church camp Disciples Crossing. Our Board President, Jack Knox, recently asked Emily Williams what help they could use, and she responded they could really use help "cleaning the camp after groups leave." WHO WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER?!

If you'll go to the Facebook page for Disciples Crossing, you'll find a signup form to help out. Let's see if we can help our camp complete its mission this summer.

Thanks!

David Hargrave, Regional Connection  
Minister, CCSW



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**CCC BALL CAP**

**AND**

**T-SHIRT**

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**ONLY \$20 EACH!!!**

**To purchase your**

**CCC Ball Cap**

**and**

**T-Shirt**

**Call or come by the**

**Admin. Office today!!!**





In our Sanctuary/Education building we have three areas where we try to maintain an energy efficient temperature; that can be adjusted as needed. These areas are the sanctuary, the parlor, and HeBrews. Each area has their own controls.

In an attempt to help us control the cost of heating and cooling our Sanctuary/Education building we are asking everyone to help keep doors in these areas shut at all times. When doors are left open, the heat goes up the staircases to the hallway and upper rooms and the A/C goes into rooms we are not using downstairs.

The parlor has two doors we need to keep closed, HeBrews has two doors into hallway we need to keep closed, and the kitchen door to the hallway we need to keep closed. In the area where the water fountain and women's restroom are, the door going up the steps into back of the sanctuary and the door in the hallway leading to HeBrews need to be kept closed.

With everyone's help we can save on the cost of gas and electricity.

Thank You!

Your Property Committee



**Beginning Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

*The Journey Sunday School Class*

*will be on Hiatus*

**FOR THE SUMMER**

**the Hiatus will end on**

**Sunday, August 28, 2022**

*When the Journey class meets* again,  
we will meet in the Library  
in the Community Center.



*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**  
**GOSPEL OF JOHN**

We study various books of the Bible  
and recently completed the  
**BOOK OF EPHESIANS.**

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 MONDAY

VIA

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE POSTED **BY 4:00 P.M.**

AND

YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW IT

EACH AND EVERY MONDAY ON FACEBOOK.

REMEMBER:

WATCH WORSHIP ON MONDAYS **AT 4:00 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**



# 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 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](#) or at the [Google Play Store](#) under:

“Givelify Mobile Giving App.”

Our church is listed, and this is a safe and fast way to give. Please

be sure you find

Central Christian Church Texarkana.

**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 cctxk 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**

<b>July 27</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>July 31</b>	11:45am	Parlor celebration
<b>August 8</b>	5pm	Events Committee
<b>August 9</b>	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
<b>August 20</b>	9am	CMF
<b>August 21</b>	11:45am	3rd Sunday potluck luncheon
<b>August 22</b>	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
<b>August 28</b>	4pm	Randy Sams prep
<b>August 28</b>	6pm	Randy Sams serving
<b>September 4</b>	all day	Labor Sunday
<b>September 5</b>	all day	office closed
<b>September 7</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>September 10</b>	11:30am	CWF General Meeting



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.

# AUGUST 2022

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5	6
7	9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	8 5pm Events Committee	9 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	10	11	12	13
14	9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	15	16	17	18	19	20 9am CMF
21	9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 11:45am Potluck Luncheon 5:00pm Play Rehearsal	22 6pm Cabinet Meeting	23	24	25	26	27
28	9am Elders in Prayer 9:40am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams Prep 5pm Play Rehearsal 6pm Randy Sams drop off	29	30	31			

## August Birthdays

Claudine Brown	8-2
Nancy Bair	8-7
Joan Carter	8-7
Randy King	8-8
James Thompson	8-14
Tom Crow	8-15
Bobbie Atkinson	8-18
Herb Hamilton	8-26
Jamie Bennett	8-31

## August Anniversaries

Tom & Teresa Crow	8-7
Glen & Tami Hudspeth	8-9
Harold & Pat Taylor	8-12



## Servers for the Weeks Ahead

### August 7, 2022

Greeters: Jerry & Sherri Thomas  
Worship Leader: Teresa Crow  
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears  
Flower Elder: Connie Spears  
Deacons:

### August 14, 2022

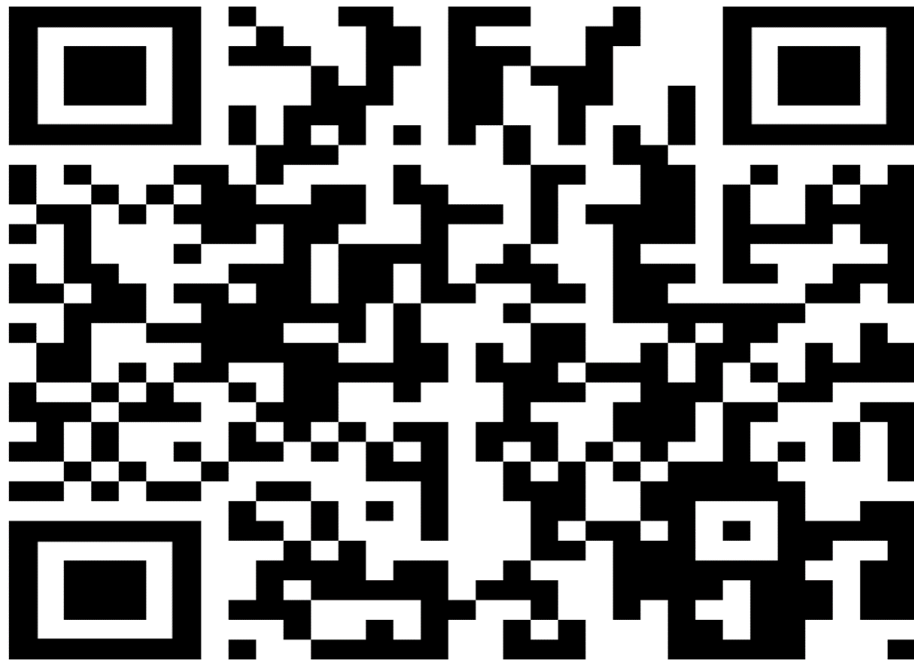
Greeters: Sondra Bedwell and Glenda Burkhart  
Worship Leader: Jean Nailling  
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter  
Flower Elder: Joan Carter  
Deacons:

### August 21, 2022

Greeters: Ethan Cole and Alice Coleman  
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling  
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter  
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
Deacons:

### August 28, 2022

Greeters: Mike & Susan Oates  
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell  
Hospital Elder: Mike Martin  
Flower Elder: Tom Crow  
Deacons:



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***TO SEE***  
***OUR***  
***CHURCH VIDEO!***

***SHOW***  
***FRIENDS AND FAMILY.***

# Weekly Info

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## Prayer Need

Our Church  
Wes Byas  
George Caven  
Darel Bair  
Fran Corley, friend of Betsy Spencer  
Christina Plhak, Wes' daughter  
Gary Smith, friend of Lee Nailling  
Chris McKellar, friend of George Carpenter  
Tommy Campbell, friend of Hamilton's  
Jean Nailling  
Nancy Garner, friend of Herb and Elaine Hamilton  
Dr. Jerry Stringfellow and Janis, friend of Beth Brine  
Paul Matthews, friend of Jim Spears  
Paul Rainwater, friend of Lois Moore

## Ongoing Concerns

John Cunningham  
Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom  
David Shute, friend of Lee Nailling  
Laroy and Jane Thomas, friend of Jerry Thomas  
David Allard, Glenda Burkhart's brother-in-law  
Davis Coker, friend of Julia Carpenter  
Mandi Whisenhunt Smith, Randy King's niece

## Homebound

Elaine Carpenter, The Villa Rm. 401  
Joe Frost, Sr., home  
Susie Howdeshell, home  
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life  
Susan DeFoy, MRC Cornerstone, Rm. 505A



**Serving this Sunday**  
**July 31, 2022**

**Greeters:** John & Margie Beeson  
**Worship Leader:** Teresa Crow  
**Hospital Elder:** Julia Carpenter  
**Flower Elder:** George Carpenter  
**Deacons:**

**July 24, 2022**

**Attendance:** 33  
**Offering:** \$ 2,752.68  
**Weekly Needs:** \$ 4,068.61  
**Difference:** \$ -1,315.93  
**YTD Collected:** \$105,105.19  
**YTD Needed:** \$122,058.80  
**Difference:** \$-16,953.61

**LECTIONARY FOR JULY 31, 2022**

**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Hosea 11:1-11**  
**Psalms 107:1-9, 43**  
**Colossians 3:1-11**  
**Luke 12:13-21**

**Sermon This Sunday:**

***"Rich Man / Poor Man"***

**Scripture:**

**Luke 12:13-21**