

The Central Christian 411

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Romans 8:6-11

The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸ Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

In one Peanuts comic strip Sally was struggling with her memory verse for Sunday. She was absorbed in her thoughts trying to figure it out when she remembered, "Maybe it was something from the book of Reevaluation."

She never did find the memory verse, but we should always read the Bible with the intent of reevaluating our attitudes and actions to make sure they are in line with the God's Word.

Paul calls us to re-evaluate whose we are and what we need to do to live the life God's son has called us to live. God does not ask or require we be perfect, just that we be faithful. In being faithful to Him we will be spiritually perfect.

In *The Last Days Newsletter*, Leonard Ravenhill wrote about a group of tourists, visiting a picturesque village, who walked by an old man sitting beside a fence. In a rather patronizing way, one tourist asked, "Were any great men or women born in this village?"

The old man replied, "Nope, only babies."

A frothy question brought a profound answer. There are no instant heroes, spiritually or otherwise--whether in this world or in the kingdom of God. Growth takes time, and as I Timothy 3:6 and 5:22 point out, even spiritual leadership must be cultivated and earned.

What are you cultivating?

May the God of spiritual growth be with you always, Wes

DEACONS

Leading through Serving.

Our Deacons met
Monday evening
to elect their chairperson.
Congratulations to
Jerry Thomas
who is now the Chair of our
Deacons!
May God Bless
Jerry's leadership
of our Deacons!

EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

Please designate the number of plants you wish to order and how you want the Sunday bulletin insert to read. The completed form should be returned to the church office or placed in the offering plate by March 24th with the payment of \$15.00 each attached.

Number of plants: _____ Payment amount enclosed: _____

Please check either in memory or in honor and print the name of the person or people you wish to remember or honor.

_____ In Memory _____ In Honor _____

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Please print the donor's name the way you wish it to appear in the Easter Bulletin.

Please pick up your Easter Lilies after the worship service on April 9th.

ORDER DEADLINE: Friday, March 24, 2023.



LENT

Don't miss our

Lenten

Soup & Scripture

Sundays

March 12th—April 2nd

in HeBrews

at 5:30 p.m.

Our Study will be on

the Gospel writers:

Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John

And what makes them different.

(This will be for four Sundays, March 12th through April 2nd)



Community Outreach

SUNDAY, MARCH 26th

WE WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL
RANDY SAM'S SHELTER

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.'

Board Meeting



THERE WILL BE A
GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY

MARCH 27TH

AT 6 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETING ARE VERY

SO ALL BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE

PRESENT.

SEE YOU THERE!!



Beginning

Friday, March 31st

**we will have a Community wide
Spaghetti Dinner
in Disciple Hall.**

**Tickets for the dinner will be
\$15 for adults/\$7.50 for children
12 and under.**

**Dinner includes: Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert, & Drink
(Drink not included with takeout.)**

**If you would like tickets
please contact our Admin. Asst.**

Tonya

at

903-792-1915



S E R V I C E

APRIL 2ND

Be sure to bring family & friends
to

**CELEBRATE OUR
LORD'S ENTRY INTO
JERUSALEM**

Worship service begins
at 10:40 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

A P R I L 5

WE WILL HAVE A
PASSION HYMN
SING-ALONG

IN THE SANCTUARY

AT

6 p.m.

COME JOIN IN!!!



***A DRAMATIC SERVICE OF
HOLY COMMUNION
WILL OCCUR ON MAUNDY THURSDAY.***

Don't miss this very special communion service where you will hear certain disciples of Jesus speak not only to you, but to the Lord.

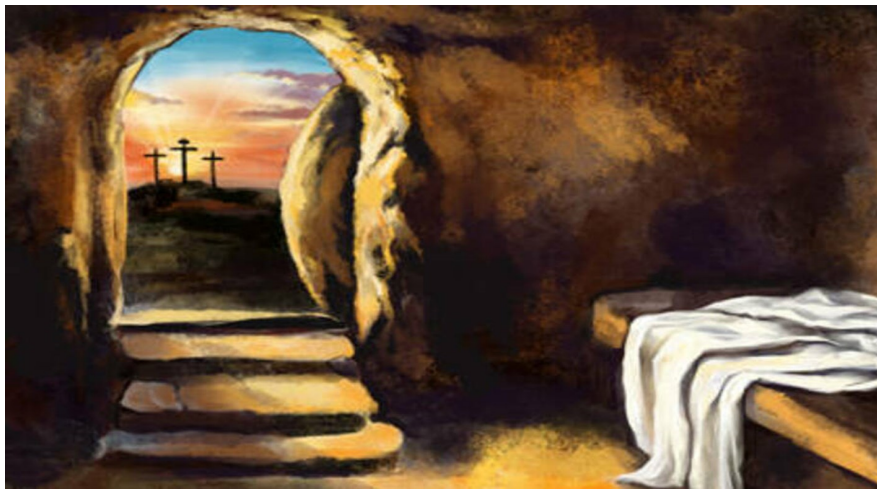
Their stories are compelling and the words of Jesus will resonate with you.....forever.

*That's Maundy Thursday at 7:00 p.m.,
April 6th, in the sanctuary.*

SEE YOU THERE!



OUR SANCTUARY
WILL BE OPEN
FROM
10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.
FOR PRAYER &
MEDITATION
ON GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 7, 2023



E A S T E R S U N D A Y

is

A P R I L 9TH

Bring family and friends as we

CELEBRATE

the resurrection of our

Lord & Savior!!!

Worship service begins

at

10:40 a.m.



Why “Maundy” Thursday?

The Thursday before Easter is known as either Maundy Thursday, or Holy Thursday.

Maundy is derived from the Latin word for "command," and refers to Jesus' commandment to the disciples to

"Love one another
as I have loved you."



WHAT MAKES GOOD FRIDAY, **GOOD**?

Good Friday comes from the sense 'pious', 'holy' of the word "good". Less common examples of expressions based on this obsolete sense of "good" include "the **good book**" for the Bible, "**good tide**" for "Christmas" and "**Good Wednesday**" for the Wednesday in Holy Week.



WE ANNOUNCED IN OUR SERVICE A
FEW WEEKS AGO

WE WILL NO LONGER LEAVE THE
ALLEY DOOR TO THE SANCTUARY
BUILDING UNLOCKED
DUE TO UNWANTED GUESTS WHO
MAKE THEIR HOME UPSTAIRS.

IF YOU ARE A KEY HOLDER,
PLEASE DO NOT
UNLOCK THE ALLEY DOOR.



NOW AVAILABLE!!!

OUR BEAUTIFUL

CCC BALL CAP

AND

T-SHIRT

CAN BE YOURS FOR

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



The Journey Sunday School Class ***will continue our study of*** **The Gospel of Matthew**

We hope you will join us.

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

The Gospel of Matthew is the first book of the New Testament of the Bible and one of the three synoptic Gospels. It tells how Israel's Messiah, Jesus, comes to his people and forms a community of disciples, of how he taught the people through such events as the Sermon on the Mount and its Beatitudes, and how Israel becomes divided and how Jesus condemns this hostile Israel. This culminates in his departure from the Temple and his execution. At this point many people reject Jesus, and on his resurrection he sends the disciples to the gentiles.

Matthew seems to emphasize that the Jewish tradition should not be lost in a church that was increasingly becoming gentile. The gospel reflects the struggles and conflicts between the evangelist's community and the other Jews, particularly with its sharp criticism of the scribes and Pharisees with the position that through their rejection of Christ, the Kingdom of God has been taken away from them and given instead to the church. The divine nature of Jesus was a major issue for the Matthaean community, the crucial element separating the early Christians from their Jewish neighbors; while Mark begins with Jesus' baptism and temptations, Matthew goes back to Jesus' origins, showing him as the Son of God from his birth, the fulfillment of messianic prophecies of the Old Testament. The title Son of David identifies Jesus as the healing and miracle-working Messiah of Israel (it is used exclusively in relation to miracles), sent to Israel alone. As Son of Man he will return to judge the world, an expectation which his disciples recognize but of which his enemies are unaware. As Son of God, God is revealing himself through his son, and Jesus proving his sonship through his obedience and example. Most scholars believe the gospel was composed between AD 80 and 90, with a range of possibility between AD 70 to 110; a pre-70 date remains a minority view. The work does not identify its author, and the early tradition attributing it to the apostle Matthew is rejected by modern scholars. He was probably a male Jew, standing on the margin between traditional and non-traditional Jewish values, and familiar with technical legal aspects of scripture being debated in his time. Writing in a polished Semitic "synagogue Greek", he drew on the Gospel of Mark as a source, plus a hypothetical collection of sayings known as the Q source (material shared with Luke but not with Mark) and hypothetical material unique to his own community, called the M source or "Special Matthew".



THE
SEEKERS
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

meets every Sunday morning at
9:30 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
GOSPEL OF JOHN.

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



JUST A REMINDER

HONORARIUM

&

MEMORIAL

GIFTS ARE WELCOME

ANYTIME.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE AN

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK TO CCC

WITH A NOTE STATING WHO YOUR

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

IS IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF.



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.



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 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,

Upcoming Events & Services

March 22	5:30pm	Choir
March 24	4pm	Deadline to order Easter Lilies
March 26	11:45am	Fellowship Committee
March 26	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
March 26	5:30pm	Soup and Scripture
March 26	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
March 27	5pm	Deacon Meeting
March 27	6pm	General Board
March 29	5:30pm	Choir
March 31	4:30pm-6pm	Spaghetti Dinner
April 2	10:40am	Palm Sunday Service
April 2	10:40am	Easter Offering
April 2	5:30pm	Soup & Scripture
April 5	6pm	Passion Hymn Sing-a-long
April 6	7pm	Maundy Thursday service
April 7	10am-2pm	Prayer Vigil
April 9	all day	Easter Sunday



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.

APRIL 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable or salad						1
2 Palm Sunday Easter offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 5:30pm Soup & Scripture	3	4	5 6pm Passion Hymn Sing-a-long	6 7pm Maundy Thursday service	7 10am-2pm Prayer Vigil	8
9 Easter Sunday Easter offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship	10 office closed	11 11:30am CWF Day Group 6pm Hope Remains	12 5:30pm Choir	13	14	15 9am CWF
16 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	17 10:30am Worship Committee	18	19 5:30pm Choir	20	21	22
23 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	24 6pm Cabinet Meeting	25	26 5:30pm Choir	27 4pm Church Growth/ Evangelism Comm.	28 10am set up for Fish Fry and auction	29 6pm Fish Fry & Silent Auction
30 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am 5th Sunday Breakfast 10:40am Traditional Worship						

April Birthdays

Judy Van Hooser	04-03
Jeffrey Turner	04-07
Lynn Wilmoth	04-13
Tracey Caudle	04-25
Jennifer Watson	04-25
Stan Brummal	04-27
Nancy Thompson	04-28
Sarah Launius	04-28
Jordan Lumpkin	04-28
Robert Kern	04-29

April Anniversaries

Wes & Laura Byas	04-07
Chad & Jamie Bennett	04-24



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

April 2, 2023

Greeters:
 Worship Leader:
 Hospital Elder:
 Flower Elder:
 Deacons:

April 9, 2023

Greeters:
 Worship Leader:
 Hospital Elder:
 Flower Elder:
 Deacons:

April 16, 2023

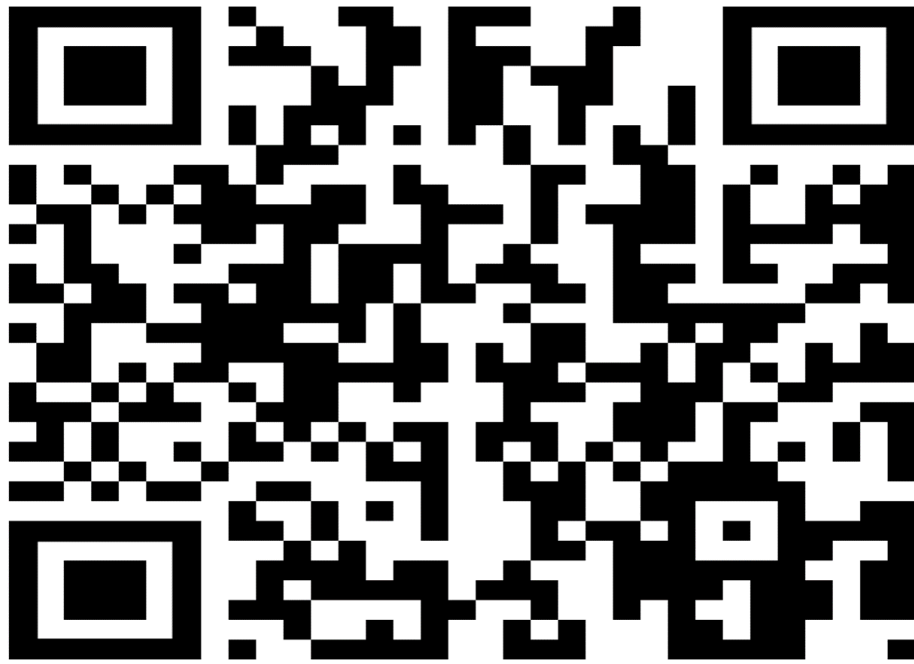
Greeters:
 Worship Leader:
 Hospital Elder:
 Flower Elder:
 Deacons:

April 23, 2023

Greeters:
 Worship Leader:
 Hospital Elder:
 Flower Elder:
 Deacons:

April 30, 2023

Greeters:
 Worship Leader:
 Hospital Elder:
 Flower Elder:
 Deacons:



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OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

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Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Lois Moore
Steve Bair, Connie Spears' brother
Dan Hall, Julia Carpenter's dad
Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt
Tommie Smith, Lee Nailling's cousin
Jeanette Chittenden, Mary Chittenden's daughter-in-law
Shirley Hawthorn, friend of Mary Chittenden
Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter
Ethan Cole and family
Tonya Fields, friend of Lynn Wilmoth
Paula Smith, friend of Martha Clinton
Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhart's son-in-law

Ongoing Concerns

Coretha Loughridge
Robbin Ridgell, friend of the Mathison's
David Allard, Glenda Burkhart's brother-in-law
Terry Love, friend of the Hamiltons
Suzette Witty, friend of Randy King
Laroy and Jane Thomas, friend of Jerry Thomas
Mandi Whisenhunt Smith, Randy King's niece
Tommy Campbell, friend of Hamilton's

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home
Elizabeth Cooney, home
Nancy Bair, home
James Thompson, home
Susie Howdeshell, home
Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom
Jane Watson, home
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



Serving this Sunday
March 26, 2023

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter
Worship Leader: Teresa Crow
Hospital Elder: Joan Carter
Flower Elder: Jack Carter
Deacons:

March 19, 2023

Attendance: 37
Offering: \$ 750.54
Weekly Needs: \$ 4,379.46
Difference: \$ -3,628.92

YTD Collected: \$ 45,060.37
YTD Needed: \$ 52,553.52
Difference: \$ -7,493.15

This Sunday:

"When Our Hope is Lost"

Scripture:

Ezekiel 37:1-14

LECTIONARY FOR MARCH 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45