

# The Central Christian 411

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**May 24, 2023**



## **Numbers 11:24-30**

So, Moses went out and told the people what the LORD had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. <sup>25</sup> Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

<sup>26</sup> However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup> A young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.”

<sup>28</sup> Joshua, son of Nun, who had been Moses’ aide since youth, spoke up and said, “Moses, my lord, stop them!”

<sup>29</sup> But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD’s people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!” <sup>30</sup> Then Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

This passage provides a rare glimpse into the maturity of Joshua. While Moses is pleased more than just those 70 elders were given the Spirit of prophesy, Joshua, according to Moses was jealous of Eldad and Medad receiving the Spirit when they did not attend the meeting with Moses. How often are we like Joshua? Are there not those in our church life we judge “not to be worthy,” because they do not attend as often as we do? Or not on as many committees or not as active in the programs of the church? An important lesson here, I believe, is whether or not Joshua felt someone worthy of receiving the Spirit, God most certainly did. And when it comes to God’s Spirit, God may choose whomever he wants, whether we agree with Him or not. And that my friends, is a lesson we should learn. Let go and let God.

May God’s spirit rest upon you always, Wes



**Continuing**

**Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Our 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**



**MAY 28<sup>TH</sup>**

**IS**

**PENTECOST  
SUNDAY!**

**BE SURE TO WEAR RED**

**FOR THIS CELEBRATION OF  
THE  
HOLY SPIRIT.**



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.'



*MAY 29<sup>th</sup> IS MEMORIAL DAY*

The Civil War ended in the spring of 1865 when Robert E. Lee surrendered the last major Confederate army to Ulysses S. Grant at the Appomattox Court House on April 9. Over 620,000 soldiers died in the four-year conflict. General John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic (an organization of Union veterans) would eventually select May 30, 1868, as a day to pay tribute to the fallen:

“The 30th of May 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land...”

Logan apparently chose May 30 because flowers would be in bloom all over the country. By the end of the 19th century, Memorial Day ceremonies were being held on May 30 throughout the nation. States passed proclamations, and the Army and Navy adopted rules for proper observance at their facilities.

The crowd attending the first Memorial Day ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery was approximately the same size as those attending today’s observance — about 5,000 people. Small American flags were placed on each grave — a tradition still followed at many national cemeteries today. In recent years, the custom has grown in many families to decorate the graves of all departed loved ones.

By 1890, each Northern state had made Decoration Day an official holiday. But this was not the case in the South, where states continued to honor their dead, on separate days until after the First World War.

The May 30<sup>th</sup> date held for decades. But, in 1968, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May in order to create a three-day weekend for federal employees. The change took place in 1971. The same law also declared Memorial Day a federal holiday.



THE CHURCH OFFICE

WILL BE CLOSED

MONDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>

FOR

MEMORIAL DAY

AND

WILL REOPEN ON

TUESDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>

HAVE A BLESSED

MEMORIAL DAY!!!





SATURDAY

JUNE 3, 2023

FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

WE WILL HAVE A

SEMINAR

ON

REIMAGINING CHURCH

IF YOU LOVE CHURCH

AND

WANT TO SEE IT GROW

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS.



SUNDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>

AT 5 P.M.

WILL BE

GAME NIGHT!!

THERE WILL BE

HORSESHOE GAMES

OUTSIDE OF HEBREWS &

BOARD GAMES

IN HEBREWS.

BRING A SMILE AND YOUR

COMPETITIVE SPIRIT TO THIS FUN

NIGHT WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY.





World Environment Day (WED) is celebrated annually on 5 June and encourages awareness and action for the protection of the environment.

It is supported by many non-governmental organizations, businesses, government entities, and represents the primary United Nations outreach day supporting the environment.

First held in 1973, it has been a platform for raising awareness on environmental issues as marine pollution, overpopulation, global warming, sustainable development and wildlife crime. World Environment Day is a global platform for public outreach, with participation from over 143 countries annually.

Each year, the program has provided a theme and forum for businesses, non-government organizations, communities, governments and celebrities to advocate environmental causes.



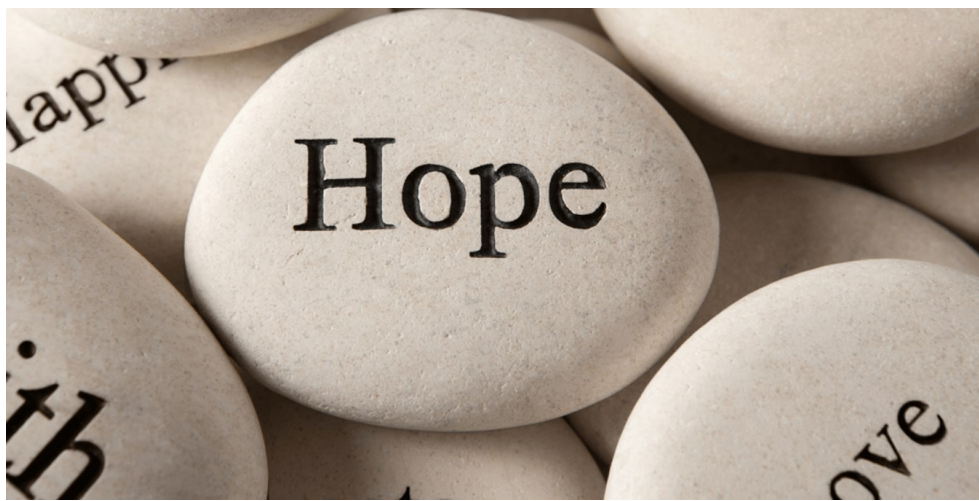
JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup>

FAMILY BINGO

IN HeBREWS

FROM 1 to 3 PM

Y'ALL COME!!



## HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, JUNE 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 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.**



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  
EZEKIEL**

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

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**



# Honorariums/Memorials

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, please email or call the church office at (903) 792-1915 and let Tonya know.

## Upcoming Events & Services

<b>May 24</b>	5:30pm	Choir
<b>May 26</b>	4:30pm-6:30pm	Community Wide Spaghetti Dinner
<b>May 28</b>	all day	Pentecost
<b>May 28</b>	10:40am	Pentecost offering
<b>May 28</b>	4pm	Randy Sams prep
<b>May 28</b>	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
<b>May 29</b>	all day	office closed
<b>June 1</b>	4pm	Church Growth/Evangelism
<b>June 3</b>	10am-2pm	Reimagining the Church
<b>June 4</b>	5pm	Game Night
<b>June 5</b>	all day	World Environment Day
<b>June 7</b>	5:30pm	Choir
<b>June 10</b>	1pm-3pm	Family Bingo
<b>June 11</b>	11:45am	Fellowship Committee
<b>June 13</b>	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group



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 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable or salad				1 4pm Church Growth/ Evangelism	2	3 10am-2pm Reimagining the Church
4 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 5pm Game Night	5 World Environment Day	6	7 5:30pm Choir	8	9	10 1pm-3pm Family Bingo
11 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 11:45am Fellowship Comm.	12	13 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	14 5:30pm Choir	15 Global Wind Day	16	17 9am CMF
18 <b>Father's Day</b> 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	19 Juneteenth	20 World Refugee Day	21 5:30pm Choir	22	23 4:30pm-6:30pm Spaghetti Dinner	24
25 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	26 6pm Cabinet Meeting	27	28 5:30pm Choir	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	6-05
Stan & Pat Brummal	6-20
Alan & Janet Bennett	6-23



## Servers for the Weeks Ahead

### June 4, 2023

Greeters: John & Margie Beeson  
 Worship Leader:  
 Hospital Elder:  
 Flower Elder:  
 Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Ethan Cole

### June 11, 2023

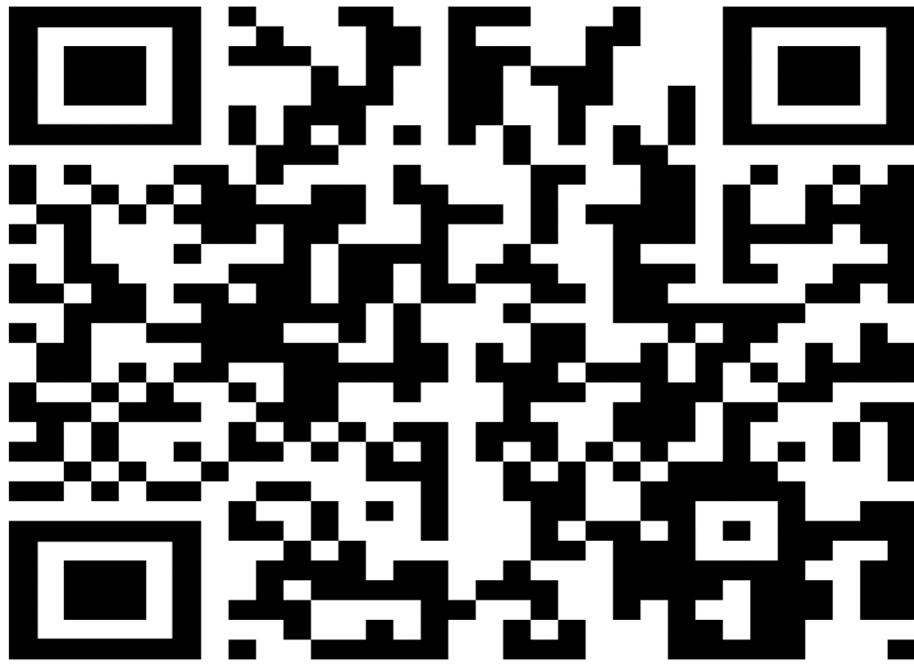
Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhardt  
 Worship Leader:  
 Hospital Elder:  
 Flower Elder:  
 Deacons: Lois Moore & Mae Kidd

### June 18, 2023

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter  
 Worship Leader:  
 Hospital Elder:  
 Flower Elder:  
 Deacons: Glenda Burkhardt & Sheri Thomas

### June 25, 2023

Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow  
 Worship Leader:  
 Hospital Elder:  
 Flower Elder:  
 Deacons: Harold Taylor & Jerry Thomas



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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  
Ed Shilling, Judy Shilling's husband  
Roy Plhak, friend of Wes Byas  
Beth Brine  
Lee Nailling  
Ron Chittenden, Mary Chittenden's son  
Elaine Hamilton  
George Carpenter, Sr.  
Brittney Matthews, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' granddaughter  
Haley Dorn, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' niece  
Jeanette Chittenden, Mary Chittenden's daughter-in-law  
Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt  
Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter  
Tonya Fields, friend of Lynn Wilmoth

## Ongoing Concerns

Pam Smotherman, Joan Carter's sister  
Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhart's son-in-law  
Aubrey Fulcher, Connie Spears' brother-in-law  
Gary Smith, friend of Lee Nailling  
David Allard, Glenda Burkhart's brother-in-law  
Suzette Witty, friend of Randy King  
Laroy and Jane Thomas, friend of Jerry Thomas

## Homebound

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



**Serving this Sunday**  
**May 28, 2023**

**Greeters:** Bob & Lynn Wilmoth  
**Worship Leader:** Alice Coleman  
**Hospital Elder:** Jack Carter  
**Flower Elder:** Joan Carter  
**Deacons:** Harold Taylor & Jerry Thomas

**May 21, 2023**

<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Offering:</b>	\$ 551.54
<b>Weekly Needs:</b>	<u>\$ 4,379.46</u>
<b>Difference:</b>	\$ -3,827.92
<b>YTD Collected:</b>	\$ 67,652.61
<b>YTD Needed:</b>	<u>\$ 91,968.66</u>
<b>Difference:</b>	\$ -24,316.05

**This Sunday:**

***"Living as One"***

**Scripture:**

**Acts 2:1-21**

**LECTIONARY FOR MAY 28, 2023**

**Pentecost**

**Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30**  
**Psalm 104:24-34, 35b**  
**1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21**  
**John 20:19-23 or 7:37-39**