

# The Central Christian 411

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## Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the LORD, “You have been telling me, ‘Lead these people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, ‘I know you by name and you have found favor with me.’ <sup>13</sup> If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you.

Remember this nation is your people.”

<sup>14</sup> The LORD replied, “My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses said to him, “If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. <sup>16</sup> How will anyone know you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?”

<sup>17</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you, and I know you by name.”

<sup>18</sup> Then Moses said, “Now show me your glory.”

<sup>19</sup> And the LORD said, “I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. <sup>20</sup> But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live.”

<sup>21</sup> Then the LORD said, “There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. <sup>22</sup> When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup> Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen.”

In this passage Moses is the epitome of what it means to be human. That is, he seeks reassurance, even from God. Humans have always sought reassurance. Reassurance they're loved, reassurance they're wanted or needed, reassurance of financial stability, reassurance of an afterlife, and reassurance of being safe from harm, along with many other reassurances. What reassurances do you seek? As Moses did, do you seek reassurances from God? If so, do you pray? Do you include God in your plans? Ask God to show you His glory.

May the God of Assurances be with you always, Wes



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

WILL BE MEETING

**Friday, OCT 20<sup>th</sup>**

**at 7:30 A.M. at**

**Old Tyme Burger**

We encourage all of our men to be  
present.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>

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.'



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**WE WILL HAVE OUR  
CABINET MEETING**

**AT 6 P.M.**

**IF YOU ARE ANY OF THE FOLLOW-  
ING, YOU ARE ON THE CABINET:**

Moderator, Vice Moderator, Secretary,  
Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The Chair of  
each Committee, President of CMF & CWF.



**Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Our Monthly 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**

**(Remember: Spaghetti Dinner  
the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each Month!)**



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>, IS OUR  
5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY BREAKFAST!

ALL THOSE WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE  
(AND WE HOPE ALL OF YOU DO)

PLEASE BRING A  
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FOOD ITEM

COME JOIN US AT 9:30 A.M. IN  
BREAKING BREAD  
AS WE CELEBRATE  
OUR LORD



**OCTOBER 29<sup>th</sup>**

**WILL BE**

**ALL SAINTS**

**SUNDAY**

**COME CELEBRATE**

**THE SAINTS OF**

**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**



The word *Halloween* or *Hallowe'en* ("Saints' evening") is of **Christian origin**; a term equivalent to "All Hallows Eve" is attested in Old English. The word *hallowe[']en* comes from the Scottish form of *All Hallows' Eve* (the evening before All Hallows' Day): *even* is the Scots term for "eve" or "evening", and is contracted to *e'en* or *een*; (*All*) *Hallow(s) E(v)en* became *Hallowe'en*.

Halloween or Hallowe'en (less commonly known as Allhalloween, All Hallows' Eve, or All Saints' Eve) is a celebration observed in many countries on 31 October, the eve of the Western **Christian** feast of All Saints' Day. It begins the observance of Allhallowtide, the time in the liturgical year dedicated to remembering the dead, including saints (hallows), martyrs, and all the faithful departed.

One theory holds that many Halloween traditions were influenced by Celtic harvest festivals, particularly the Gaelic festival Samhain, which are believed to have pagan roots. Some go further and suggest Samhain may have been **Christianized** as All Hallows' Day, along with its eve, by the early Church. Other academics believe Halloween began solely as a **Christian** holiday, being the vigil of All Hallows' Day. Celebrated in Ireland and Scotland for centuries, Irish and Scottish immigrants took many Halloween customs to North America in the 19th century, and then through American influence Halloween had spread to other countries by the late 20th and early 21st century.

Popular Halloween activities include trick-or-treating (or the related guising and souling), attending Halloween costume parties, carving pumpkins or turnips into jack-o'-lanterns, lighting bonfires, apple bobbing, divination games, playing pranks, visiting haunted attractions, telling scary stories, and watching horror or Halloween-themed films.

*Some people practice the **Christian** religious observances of All Hallows' Eve, including attending church services and lighting candles on the graves of the dead, although it is a secular celebration for others. Some **Christians** historically abstained from meat on All Hallows' Eve, a tradition reflected in the eating of certain vegetarian foods on this vigil day, including apples, potato pancakes, and soul cakes.*





# All Saints Day

**All Saints' Day**, also known as **All Hallows' Day**, the **Feast of All Saints**, the **Feast of All Hallows**, the **Solemnity of All Saints**, and **Hallowmas**, is a Christian solemnity celebrated in honor of all the saints of the church, whether they are known or unknown.

**From the 4th century**, feasts commemorating all Christian martyrs were held in various places, on various dates near Easter and Pentecost. In the 9th century, some churches in the British Isles began holding the commemoration of all saints on 1 November, and in the 9th century this was extended to the whole Catholic Church by Pope Gregory IV.

**In Western Christianity**, it is **still celebrated on 1 November** by the Roman Catholic Church as well as many Protestant churches, as the Christian Church (DoC) & Anglican traditions. The Eastern Orthodox Church and associated Eastern Catholic and Eastern Lutheran churches celebrate it on the first Sunday after Pentecost. The Syro-Malabar Church and the Chaldean Catholic Church, both of whom are in communion with Rome, as well as the Church of the East celebrate All Saints' Day on the first Friday after Easter Sunday. In the Coptic Orthodox tradition, All Saints' Day is on Nayrouz, celebrated on 11 September. The day is both the start of the Coptic new year and its first month, Thout.

**BINGO**

**NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**FAMILY BINGO**

**IN HeBREWS**

**PRIZES!**  **PRIZES!**  **PRIZES!**

**FROM 1 to 3 PM**

**Fun4theBrain**

**Y'ALL COME!!**



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

PLEASE BE SURE TO TURN YOUR

CLOCKS & WATCHES

BACK "1" HOUR

BEFORE YOU GO TO BED

SATURDAY NIGHT, NOV. 4<sup>TH</sup>

# WILEY COLLEGE

THE CHOIR OF  
WILEY COLLEGE  
WILL BE PERFORMING  
HERE AT  
CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
ON SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 4 P.M.  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
TO ENSURE  
YOUR ATTENDANCE AT  
THIS BEAUTIFUL PERFORMANCE  
BY THE  
WILEY COLLEGE CHOIR!



**Veterans Day** (originally known as **Armistice Day**) is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually on **November 11**, for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces (who were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable). It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day which are celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is distinct from Memorial Day, a U.S. public holiday in May. **Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans**, while **Memorial Day honors those who had *died*** while in military service. Another military holiday that also occurs in May, Armed Forces Day, honors those *currently serving* in the U.S. military.

Additionally, Women Veterans Day is recognized by a growing number of U.S. states that specifically honor women who have served in the U.S. military.



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>**

**WE HAVE OUR  
THANKSGIVING  
POTLUCK LUNCHEON  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
OUR  
WORSHIP SERVICE**

Thanksgiving Meat Provided

Bring your favorite Thanksgiving Side Dish

Or Dessert

**BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY  
SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE  
GOD'S BLESSINGS!**



# HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14<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.



***The Journey Sunday School Class***  
***will continue our study of***  
**1 & 2 Thessalonians**

We hope you will join us.

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

The First Epistle to the Thessalonians is a Pauline epistle of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The epistle is attributed to Paul the Apostle, and is addressed to the church in Thessalonica, in modern-day Greece. It is likely among the first of Paul's letters, probably written by the end of AD 52, though some scholars believe the Epistle to the Galatians may have been written by AD 48.

Thessalonica is a city on the Thermaic Gulf, which at the time of Paul was within the Roman Empire. Paul visited Thessalonica and preached to the local population, winning converts who became a Christian community. There is debate as to whether or not Paul's converts were originally Jewish. The Acts of the Apostles describes Paul preaching in a Jewish synagogue and persuaded people who were already Jewish that Jesus was the Messiah, but in 1 Thessalonians itself Paul says the converts had turned from idols, suggesting they were not Jewish before Paul arrived.

The Second Epistle to the Thessalonians is a book from the New Testament of the Christian Bible. It is traditionally attributed to Paul the Apostle, with Timothy as a co-author. Modern biblical scholarship is divided on whether the epistle was written by Paul; some scholars believe Paul wrote this epistle, but others reject its authenticity based on what they see as differences in style and theology between this and the First Epistle to the Thessalonians.

Scholars who support its authenticity view it as having been written around 51–52 AD, shortly after the First Epistle. Those who see it as a later composition assign a date of around 80–115 AD. The original text was written in Koine Greek.





The **TNT** Sunday School Class  
is continuing its study of

**TBD**

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

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.



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



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.



# 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>October 18</b>	5:30pm	Choir
<b>October 20</b>	7:30am	CMF at Old Tyme Burger
<b>October 20</b>	9am-2pm	Chamber Luncheon in Disciple Hall
<b>October 22</b>	11:45am	Property Committee
<b>October 22</b>	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
<b>October 22</b>	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
<b>October 23</b>	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
<b>October 25</b>	5:30pm	Choir
<b>October 27</b>	4:30pm-6:30pm	Spaghetti Dinner
<b>October 29</b>	9:30am	5th Sunday Breakfast
<b>October 29</b>	10:40am	All Saints Service
<b>October 31</b>	all day	Halloween
<b>November 1</b>	5:30pm	Choir
<b>November 4</b>	1pm	Family Bingo
<b>November 5</b>		Daylight Saving Time Ends
<b>November 5</b>	4pm	Wiley College Concert



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.

# November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Potluck Luncheon: Meat will be provided Bring your favorite holiday dish</p>			1 5:30pm Choir	2	3	4 1pm-3pm Family Bingo
<p>5 Daylight Saving Time Ends 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Wiley College Concert</p>	6	7	8 5:30pm Choir	9	10	11 Veterans Day
<p>12 Thanksgiving offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 11:45am Potluck Luncheon w/Bake Sale</p>	13	14 11:30am CWF 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	15 5:30pm Choir	16 4pm Church Growth/ Evangelism	17	18
<p>19 Thanksgiving offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship</p>	20 10am Worship Committee	21	22	23 Office closed	24 Office closed	25
<p>26 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Traditional Worship 4pm Randy Sams prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off</p>	27 6pm General Board Meeting	28	29 5:30pm Choir	30		

## November Birthdays

Donna Nash	11-7
Sarah Carpenter	11-9
Carol Ann Tallent	11-18
Teri Stover	11-19
Margie Beeson	11-22
Chad Bennett	11-30
Justin Fowler	11-30

## November Anniversaries

Herb & Elaine Hamilton	11-4
Bob & Lynn Wilmoth	11-13
Nick & Neldajo Mathison	11-27



## Servers for the Weeks Ahead

### November 5, 2023

Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhardt  
Worship Leader: Jim Spears  
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern  
Flower Elder: Alice Kern  
Deacons: Glenda Burkhardt & Sheri Thomas

### November 12, 2023

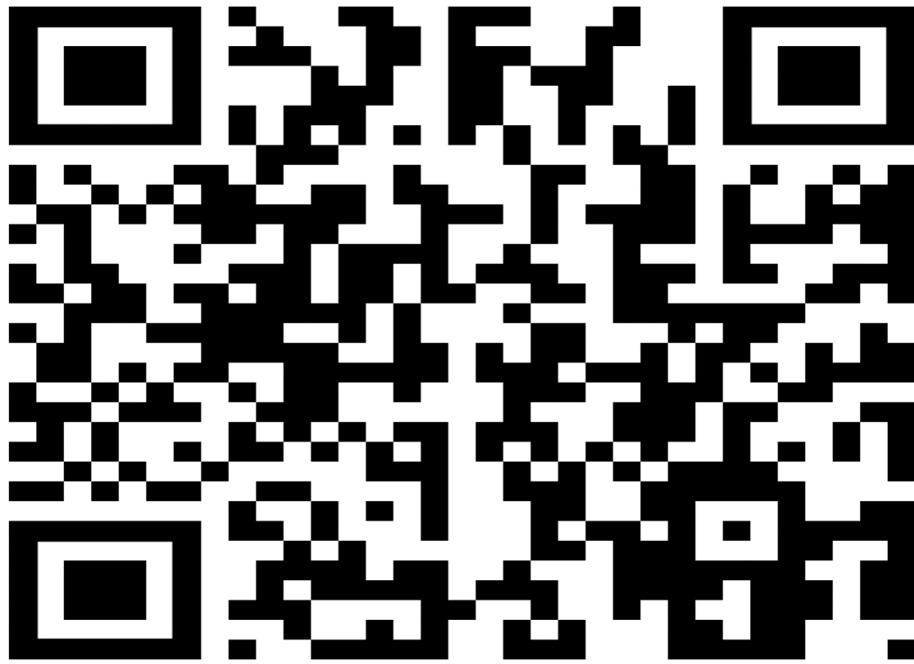
Greeters: Betty Caudle & Mae Kidd  
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell  
Hospital Elder: Teresa Crow  
Flower Elder: Tom Crow  
Deacons: Lois Moore & Ethan Cole

### November 19, 2023

Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow  
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling  
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.  
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
Deacons: Harold Taylor & Mae Kidd

### November 26, 2023

Greeters: Lois Moore & Mike Lamb  
Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas  
Hospital Elder: Mike Martin  
Flower Elder: John Beeson  
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & 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

Mark Brine, Beth's brother

Stacy Spears, Jim & Connie's daughter-in-law

Neldajo Mathison

Kathy Bearden, friend of Julia Carpenter

Blaire Hamilton, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' granddaughter

Judy Mason, Sheri Thomas' sister

B.J. Adams, Glenda Burkhart's brother

Ron Chittenden, Mary Chittenden's son

Brittney Matthews, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' granddaughter

Haley Dorn, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' niece

Jeanette Chittenden, Mary Chittenden's daughter-in-law

Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter

## Ongoing Concerns

Gary Smith, friend of Lee Nailling

Ed Shilling, Judy Van Hooser Shilling's husband

Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhart's son-in-law

Aubrey Fulcher, Connie Spears' brother-in-law

Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt

## Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home

Herb & Elaine Hamilton, The Oaks

Elizabeth Cooney, home

Jane Watson

Nancy Bair, home

James Thompson, home

Susie Howdeshell, home

Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 302B

Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



**Serving this Sunday**  
**October 22, 2023**

**Greeters:** Robert & Alice Kern

**Worship Leader:** Teresa Crow

**Hospital Elder:** John Beeson

**Flower Elder:** Mike Martin

**Deacons:** Harold Taylor & Jerry Thomas

**October 15, 2023**

**Attendance:** 35

**Offering:** \$ 1,174.34

**Weekly Needs:** \$ 4,379.46

**Difference:** \$ -3,205.12

**YTD Collected:** \$129,236.07

**YTD Needed:** \$183,937.32

**Difference:** \$-54,701.25

**This Sunday:**

***"Bearing the Mark"***

**Scripture:**

**Matthew 22:15-22**

**LECTIONARY FOR OCTOBER 22, 2023**

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22