

# The Central Christian 411

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## 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be, has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Righteousness is a difficult thing to achieve. We know this by watching the news and those around us, whom we think are righteous, but are revealed to have flaws. After all, we are human! In this passage from 1 John, we read it is up to us to MAKE righteousness our goal because no one who abides in him sins.

James Dobson said, "When I went to my old high school in Texas, I found my tennis trophies thrown away in the trash heap to make room for new ones in the trophy case. It made me realize all human accomplishments are really nothing but trash that will not stand the test of time. It made me realize we should put our emphasis NOT on human achievement like tennis championships, but on enlarging the quality and quantity of His kingdom and righteousness."

Between the 1 John writing and Dr. Dobson's writing the obvious question is, "What accomplishments are WE emphasizing? Ours or God's? Which one do you believe is eternal?"

May the righteousness of God dwell in you for ever & ever,      Wes

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## CWF/DWM Blog

CWF will meet on Saturday,  
April 13th at 11:30am in the Communi-  
ty Room.

Lisa Kern will do our study.

Our monthly service project is a mone-  
tary donation to Heifer project.

Our lunch will be salads and desserts.

Everyone should wear flowers for  
spring.

See everyone there!



THE

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

WILL BE MEETING

**Friday, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>**

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

*Old Tyme Burger Shoppe*

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

# POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

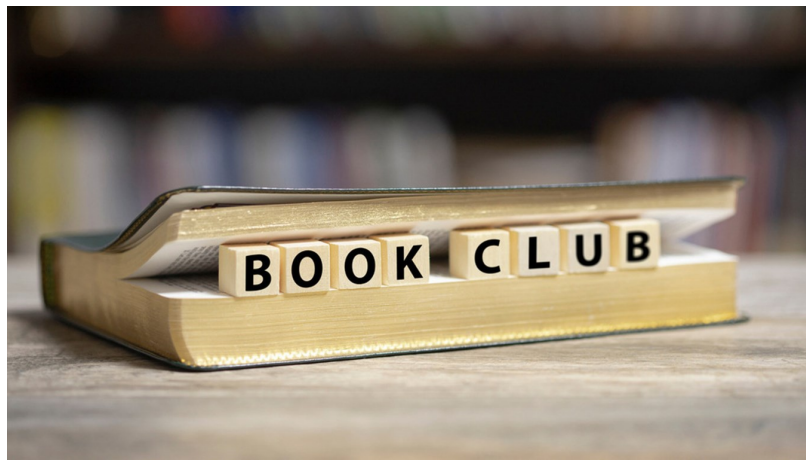
A-H Meat

I-Z Vegetable or Salad

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



ON MONDAY, APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup>

THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

TO DISCUSS

**THE PHANTOM KILLER**

**BY**

**JAMES PRESLEY (who will be our guest speaker)**

The salacious and scandalous murders of a series of couples on Texarkana's "lover's lanes" in seemingly idyllic post-WWII America created a media maelstrom and cast a pall of fear over an entire region. What is even more surprising is that the case has remained cold for decades. Combining archival research and investigative journalism, Pulitzer Prize nominated historian James Presley reveals evidence that provides crucial keys to unlocking this decades-old puzzle. Dubbed "the Phantom murders" by the press, these grisly crimes took place in an America before dial telephones, DNA science, and criminal profiling. Even pre-television, print and radio media stirred emotions to a fever pitch. The Phantom Killer, exhaustively researched, is the only definitive nonfiction book on the case, and includes details from an unpublished account by a survivor, and rare, never-before-published photographs. Although the case lives on today on television, the Internet, a revived fictional movie and even an off-Broadway play, with so much of the investigation shrouded in mystery since 1946, rumors and fractured facts have distorted the reality. Now, for the first time, a careful examination of the archival record, personal interviews, and stubborn fact checking come together to produce new insights and revelations on the old slayings.

***This Book Club is for Men AND Women, and we hope both will read this book and join the discussion.***

# Cabinet Meeting

MONDAY, APRIL 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.



APRIL 26, 2024

The United States was one of the first countries in the world to celebrate Arbor Day, a holiday dedicated to tree planting.

National Arbor Day in the USA is celebrated on the last Friday in April. Besides, each state celebrates its own state tree planting holiday. Arbor Day was founded by Julius Sterling Morton, a Nebraska newspaper editor, agriculturalist and statesman. Morton was a respected agriculturalist fascinated with trees he planted numerous trees on his estate.

Currently, his former mansion and estate serve as Arbor Lodge State Historical Park. Morton came up with the idea of celebrating Arbor Day in the early 1870s. The first celebration was held in Nebraska on April 10, 1872.

Its participants planted an estimated one million trees throughout the state. By the 1920s, each state had passed laws that stipulated a certain day to be state Arbor Day. In some states, the holiday was named Arbor and Bird Day. In Nebraska, Arbor Day is a civic holiday. National Arbor Day in the United States was established as a state holiday in 1885.

It was moved from April 10 (its original date proposed by Morton) to April 22 (Morton's birthday). In 1989, the holiday was moved to the last Friday in April. On this day, Americans are encouraged to plant trees, bushes, and plants (if weather conditions allow) and care for their national environment.





COMING  
APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>!  
OUR ANNUAL  
FISH FRY & AUCTION!

Tickets: \$20 Adults/\$10 Kids 10-

Doors Open at 6 pm

Begin Serving at 6:30 pm

For Auction: Bring New Items in Advance.

Bring Baked Goods  
on Day of Auction.





**SUNDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</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.'**



Mental Health Awareness Month (also referred to as Mental Health Month) has been observed in May in the United States since 1949. The month is observed with media, local events, and film screenings.

Mental Health Awareness Month began in the United States in 1949 and was started by:

Mental Health America (MHA)

(then known as the National Association for Mental Health).

Each year in mid-March Mental Health America releases a *toolkit of materials* to guide preparation for outreach activities during Mental Health Awareness Month.

During the month of May, MHA, its affiliates, and other organizations interested in mental health conduct a number of activities which are based on a different theme each year.

**BINGO**

**MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**FAMILY BINGO**

**IN HeBREWS**

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

**FROM 1 to 3 PM**

**Fun4theBrain**

**Y'ALL COME!!**



***The Journey Sunday School  
Class will continue our study of  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> John***

We hope you will join us.

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

First John maps out the three main components of saving knowledge of God: faith in Jesus Christ, obedient response to God's commands, and true love for God and others. This letter shows how Jesus expects His followers to honor Him daily wherever they are.

Second John encourages believers to stay the course, responding to one another with love and the truth of the gospel. This letter challenges readers to remain steadfast in their faith and hope in Jesus Christ, eventually receiving a "full reward" from Him.

Third John underscores central Christian convictions and testifies to the God-centeredness of the Christian faith. Jesus and the Holy Spirit are not mentioned specifically, but in the writer's view, both are included when referencing God in this letter.



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

## **THE GOSPEL OF LUKE**

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

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 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/)**



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,

**Upcoming Events & Services**

<b>April 10</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>April 13</b>	11:30am	CWF
<b>April 17</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>April 19</b>	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
<b>April 21</b>	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
<b>April 22</b>	all day	Earth Day
<b>April 22</b>	1pm	Book Club
<b>April 22</b>	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
<b>April 24</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>April 26</b>	all day	Arbor Day
<b>April 27</b>	6pm	Fish Fry and Silent Auction
<b>April 28</b>	4pm	Randy Sams prep
<b>April 28</b>	6pm	Randy Sams drop off





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 Requests



## IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST

In recent discussions with the Southwest Region, it has come to our attention that “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 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable or salad	1 Office closed	2	3	4	5	6 7am-11am Pre-eclipse Pancake Breakfast
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	8	9 4pm Events Committee 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	10 5pm Choir	11	12	13 11:30am CWF
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28 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	29	30				

## April Birthdays

Judy Shilling	04-03
Jeffrey Turner	04-07
Lynn Wilmoth	04-13
Jennifer Watson	04-25
Stan Brummal	04-27
Nancy Thompson	04-28
Sarah Lanius	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 7, 2024

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth  
Worship Leader: Teresa Crow  
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears  
Flower Elder: Connie Spears  
Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth & Glen Hudspeth

### April 14, 2024

Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhardt  
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling  
Hospital Elder: John Beeson  
Flower Elder: Tom Crow  
Deacons: Jamie Bennett & Sheri Thomas

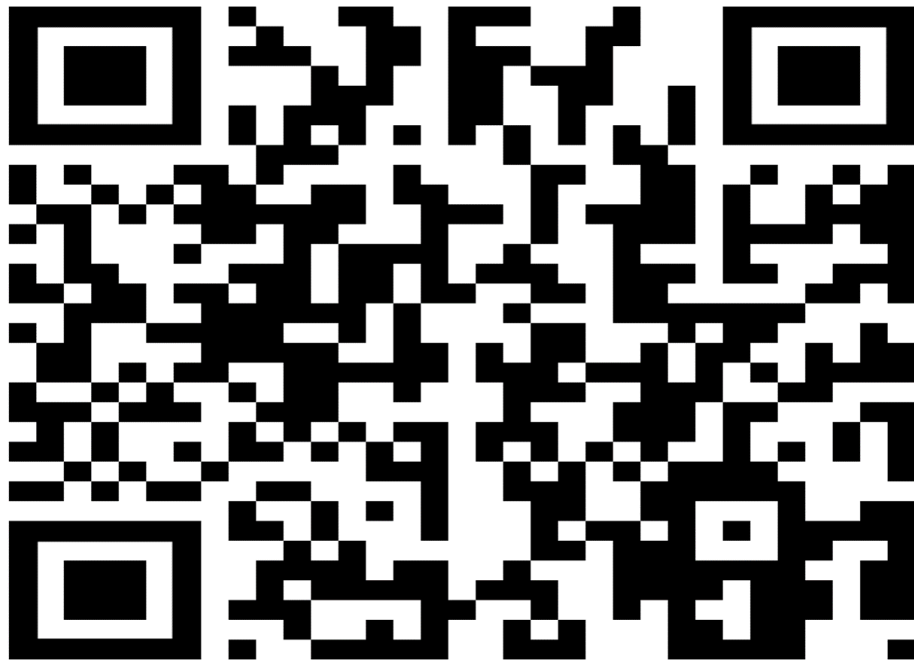
### April 21, 2024

Greeters: John & Margie Beeson  
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell  
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.  
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
Deacons: Harold Taylor & Jerry Thomas

### April 28, 2024

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter  
Worship Leader: John Beeson  
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter  
Flower Elder: Joan Carter  
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Jack Duncan





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*QR CODE*  
*TO SEE*  
*OUR*  
*CHURCH VIDEO!*

*SHOW*  
*FRIENDS AND FAMILY.*

## Prayer Need

Our Church

Wes Byas

Michelle Bowers, Lois Moore's niece

Larry Freeze, John & Margie Beeson's son

Ann Lewis, friend of Tom & Teresa Crow

George Carpenter, Jr.

David Potter, friend of Julia Carpenter

Shelly Labriola, Jerry and Sheri Thomas' niece

Alan Bennett

Lynn Groening, Julia Carpenter's cousin

Judy Mason, Sheri Thomas' sister

B.J. Adams, Glenda Burkhart's brother

Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter

## Ongoing Concerns

Carolyn Walker

Anthony Johnson

Ed Shilling, Judy Van Hooser Shilling's husband

Keith Williams, friend of Tom Crow

Kathy Bearden, friend of Julia Carpenter

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

Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt

## Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home

Betsy Spencer, The Villa Room 211

Elizabeth Cooney, home

Herb Hamilton, The Oaks room 34

Elaine Hamilton, son's home

Jane Watson

Nancy Bair, home

James Thompson, home

Susie Howdeshell, home

Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 207

Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



**Serving this Sunday**  
**April 14, 2024**

**Greeters:** Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhart

**Worship Leader:** Lee Nailling

**Hospital Elder:** John Beeson

**Flower Elder:** Tom Crow

**Deacons:** Jamie Bennett & Sheri Thomas

**April 7, 2024**

**Attendance:** 35

**Offering:** \$3,627.54

**This Sunday:**

*"Doubts"*

**Scripture:**

**Luke 24:36b-48**

**LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 14, 2024**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 3:12-19**

**Psalm 4**

**1 John 3:1-7**

**Luke 24:36b-48**