

The Central Christian 411

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1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—² this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³ what we have seen and heard we also declare to you so you also may have fellowship with us, and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ We are writing these things so our joy may be complete.

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷ but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous, ² and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John has some beautiful words and phrases and in the above passage we see the author at his best. After stating his purpose in writing, he moves to tell his audience “God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.” Then carries his audience to understanding the purpose behind Jesus’ sacrifice by saying, “...the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.” So, if we understand God is light, that is a beacon to show us the way, then can also be assured through the sacrifice of his son, we were cleansed for the walk with God.

Therefore, let us glory in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ!

May the God of Love and Forgiveness abide with you always, Wes



WE HAVE SOLAR ECLIPSE GLASSES

FOR

\$5.00

A PAIR.

IF YOU INTEND TO SEE THE ECLIPSE,

THESE ARE ESSENTIAL TO PROTECT

YOUR EYES.

THESE GLASSES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE

CHURCH OFFICE

903 WALNUT ST.

TEXARKANA, TX

Pre-eclipse Pancake Breakfast



Breakfast includes 2 pancakes, scrambled eggs, 2 pcs of bacon, 1 sausage and drink

Saturday, April 6, 2024

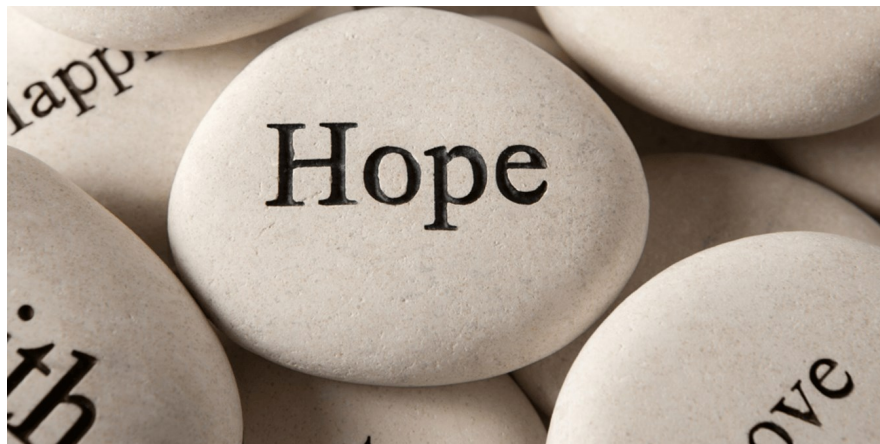
7:00am-11:00am

Adults \$10.00

Kids 10 & under \$5.00

**Solar Glasses included
with meal purchase.**

Central Christian Church
Parking at 10th & Wood Street
903.792.1915



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH, 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 ***2nd 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).

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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 19TH

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, APRIL 21st

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

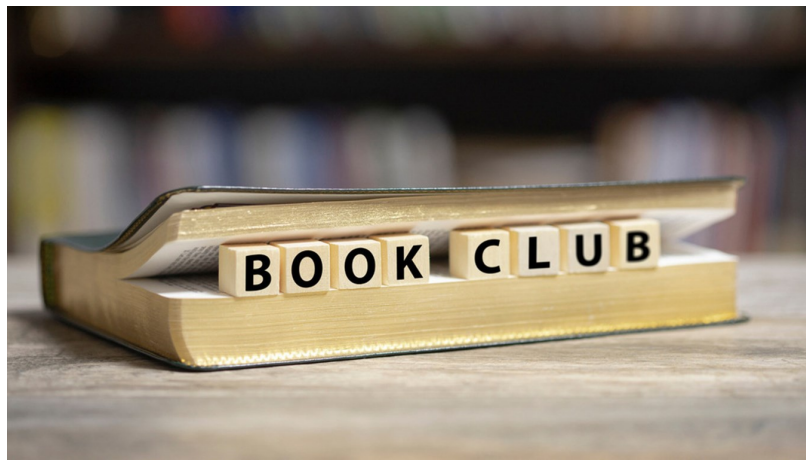
A-H Meat

I-Z Vegetable or Salad

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



ON MONDAY, APRIL 22nd

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 22nd

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.



SUNDAY, APRIL 28th

**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 4TH

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
1st, 2nd, and 3rd 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

April 6	7am-11am	Pre-eclipse Pancake Breakfast
April 9	4pm	Events Committee
April 9	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
April 10	5pm	Choir
April 13	11:30am	CWF
April 17	5pm	Choir
April 19	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
April 21	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
April 22	all day	Earth Day
April 22	1pm	Book Club
April 22	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
April 24	5pm	Choir
April 26	all day	Arbor Day
April 27	6pm	Fish Fry and Silent Auction
April 28	4pm	Randy Sams prep
April 28	6pm	Randy Sams drop off



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 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

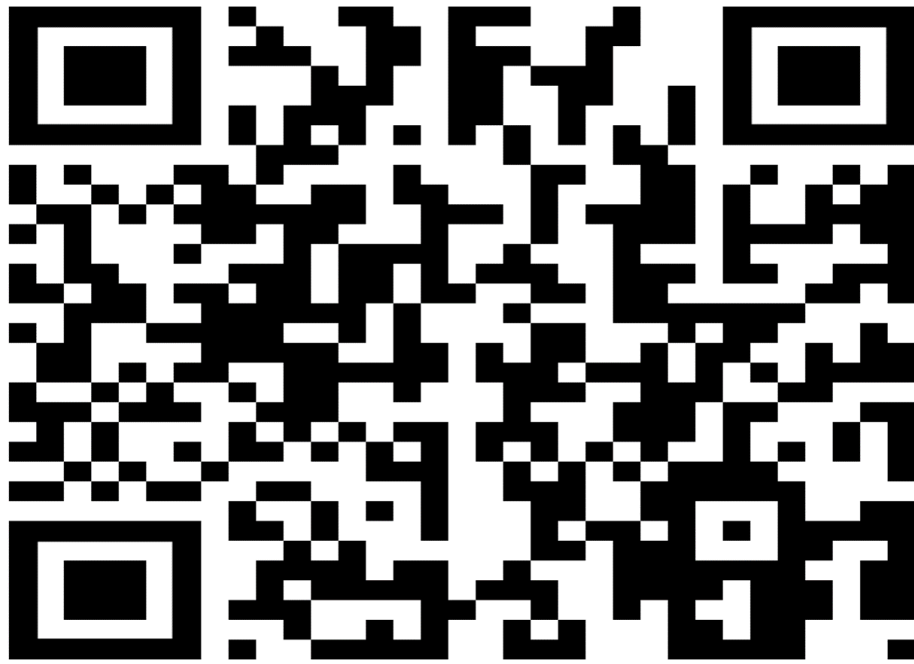
Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhart
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling
Hospital Elder: John Beeson
Flower Elder: Tom Crow
Deacons: Jamie Bennett & Sheri Thomas

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



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Prayer Need

Our Church

Wes Byas

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 Burkhardt'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 Burkhardt'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 7, 2024

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth

Worship Leader: Teresa Crow

Hospital Elder: Jim Spears

Flower Elder: Connie Spears

Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth & Glen Hudspeth

March 31, 2024

Attendance: 73

Offering: \$ 878.54

This Sunday:

"Trust"

Scripture:

Acts 4:32-35

LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35

Psalms 133

1 John 1:1-2:2

John 20:19-31