

The Central Christian 411

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Ephesians 2:11-22

Therefore, remember at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called the uncircumcision by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—¹² remember you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by abolishing in his flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. ¹⁷ And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Paul was a very persuasive individual. His writings are without equal in the ability to persuade and convince. Eloquence in writing was certainly his gift. That being said, I would like to take issue with part of his letter to the Ephesians. Verse 12 is offensive to me, and this is why, I do not believe at any time anyone was separated from Christ having no hope and without God in the world. God has always been in the world God created. God never intended nor allowed any part of His creation to be alienated, strangers or without hope. And why do I believe this? Because God is good. Always has been, always will be. We were never strangers, but perhaps sojourners in looking for that which was right in front us, loving us and available to us from the beginning. If you feel you are a stranger and without hope, open your heart and mind to God. He lives within you. Always has.

May the God of Hope and Love be with you always, Wes



We have moved our worship service to Disciple Hall for the summer months.

This is a TEMPORARY change only for July, August and September.

During these extremely HOT months, we will be cooler AND save on our electric bill by making this change. **Thank you** for understanding and remaining faithful in your attendance



THE

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, JULY 19th

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, JULY 21st

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

A-H Vegetable or salad

I-Z Meat

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!

Board Meeting



THERE WILL BE A
GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY

JULY 22nd

AT 6 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY

IMPORTANT SO ALL

BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE

PRESENT.



SUNDAY, JULY 28th

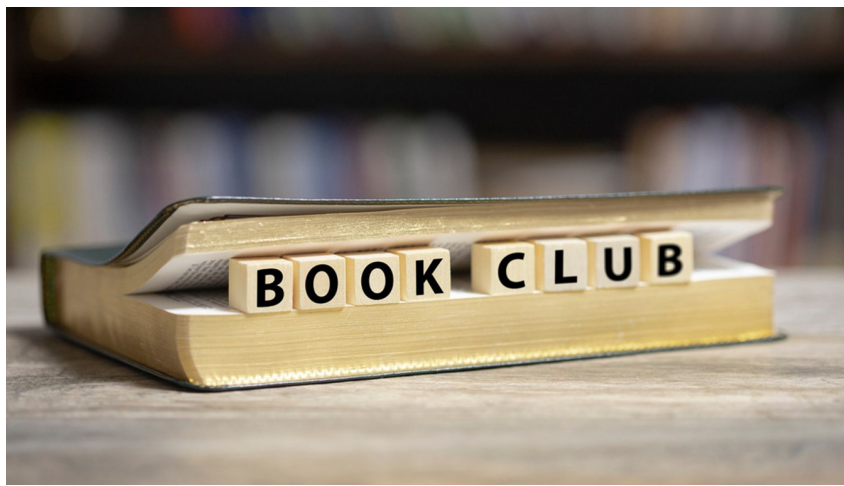
**WE WILL BE SERVING OUR LOCAL
RANDY SAM'S SHELTER**

**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
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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.'



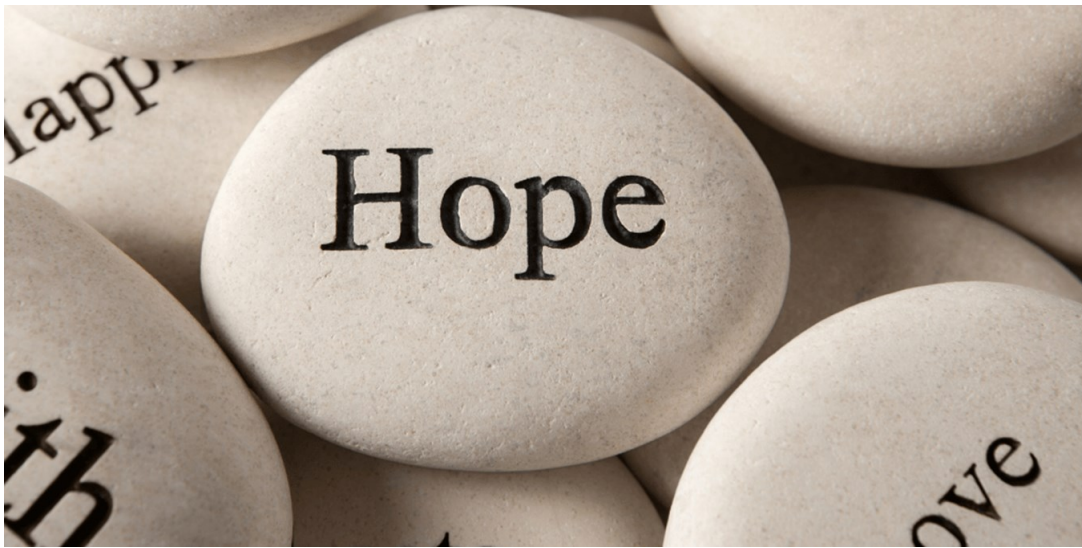
ON MONDAY, AUGUST 12TH
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
TO DISCUSS
THE WOMEN
BY
KRISTIN HANNAH

Women can be heroes. When twenty-year-old nursing student Frances "Frankie" McGrath hears these words, it is a revelation. Raised in the sun-drenched, idyllic world of Southern California and sheltered by her conservative parents, she has always prided herself on doing the right thing. But in 1965, the world is changing, and she suddenly dares to imagine a different future for herself. When her brother ships out to serve in Vietnam, she joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows his path.

As green and inexperienced as the men sent to Vietnam to fight, Frankie is over-whelmed by the chaos and destruction of war. Each day is a gamble of life and death, hope and betrayal; friendships run deep and can be shattered in an instant. In war, she meets—and becomes one of—the lucky, the brave, the broken, and the lost.

But war is just the beginning for Frankie and her veteran friends. The real battle lies in coming home to a changed and divided America, to angry protesters, and to a country that wants to forget Vietnam.

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



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY,
AUGUST 13TH,
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.



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Senior Citizen's Day

is celebrated on **21 August each year.**

The celebration took place for the first time in 1991. The day is intended to increase awareness of the factors and issues that affect older adults, such as health deterioration and elder abuse. It is also a day to recognize and acknowledge the contributions of older people to society.

Senior Citizen's Day is an opportunity to celebrate and appreciate senior citizens for their services, accomplishments, and dedication they have given in their lives.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 25th

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, IS LABOR DAY

To work is to pray is the motto the Order of St. Benedict adopted.

St. Benedict, the founder of the order, recognized the sacred value of hard work, the notion that through the sweat of our brows and the strength of our arms and backs, we can worship the Creator.

Each of us works, whether with our hands or with our minds. Whether we are builders and teachers, executives or students, all of us spend a good portion of our lives at work. How we do that work and how we treat those who labor to make our world what it is says a lot about how we see the world spiritually.

Let us come together to pray for our
workforce on this special day!



OUR CHURCH OFFICE

WILL BE CLOSED

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

FOR THE

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

AND

WILL REOPEN ON

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

HAVE A VERY RELAXING

LABOR DAY

HOLIDAY!!!



NATIONAL WILDLIFE DAY IS WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH

America marks National Wildlife Day on September 4. It's an opportunity for everyone to step back, take a deep breath and think about all that surrounds us. It's inspiring to consider preservation and conservation efforts that work to improve the natural world.

There remains so much to learn. As Henry David Thoreau once wrote, "In wildness is the preservation of the world." We couldn't agree more. So, let's take a closer look at this special day.



The Journey Sunday School Class will be studying

1st & 2nd Peter

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The authorship of 1 Peter has traditionally been attributed to the Apostle Peter because it bears his name and identifies him as its author (1:1). Although the text identifies Peter as its author, the language, dating, style, and structure of this letter have led most scholars to conclude that it is pseudonymous. Many scholars argue that Peter was not the author of the letter because its writer appears to have had a formal education in rhetoric and philosophy, and an advanced knowledge of the Greek language, none of which would be usual for a Galilean fisherman.

2 Peter, also known as the Second Epistle of Peter and abbreviated as 2 Pet., is an epistle of the New Testament written in Koine Greek. It identifies the author as "Simon Peter (in some translations, 'Simeon' or 'Shimon'), a bondservant and apostle of Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 1:1). The epistle is traditionally attributed to Peter the Apostle, but most scholars consider the epistle pseudepigraphical (i.e., authored by someone one or more of Peter's followers, using Peter as a pseudonym) Scholars estimate the date of authorship anywhere from AD 60 to 150.



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

CHURCH

OFFICE HOURS

ARE

8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

MONDAY

THROUGH

FRIDAY

(Lunch 11 am – 12 pm)



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

July 17	5pm	Choir
July 19	7:30am	CMF
July 21	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
July 22	6pm	General Board
July 24	5pm	Choir
July 28	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
July 28	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
July 31	5pm	Choir
August 4	11:45am	Fellowship Committee Meeting
August 7	5pm	Choir
August 12	1pm	Book Club
August 13	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
August 14	5pm	Choir
August 16	7:30am	CMF
August 18	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
August 21	5pm	Choir



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.

July 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Vegetable or salad I-Z: Meat	1	2	3	4 Office closed	5	6 4th of July celebration 4-5:30pm Bingo 5:30pm Hot Dog Supper
7 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	8 12pm Book Club	9 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	10 5pm Choir	11 World Population Day	12	13
14 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	15	16	17 5pm Choir	18	19 7:30am CME @ Old Tyme Burger Shoppe	20
21 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	22 6pm General Board	23	24 5pm Choir	25	26	27
28 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	29	30	31 5pm Choir			

July Birthdays

Joe Cunningham	7-5
Betty Caudle	7-12
Mike Clinton	7-15
Mae Kidd	7-18
Beverly Folmar	7-21
Lee Nailling	7-24
Harold Taylor	7-24
Lois Moore	7-29
Tamara Campbell	7-29

July Anniversaries

Jack & Patti Fisher	7-8
Jim & Connie Spears	7-11
Mike & Martha Clinton	7-21
Jack & Joan Carter	7-24



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

July 7, 2024

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Jack Duncan

July 14, 2024

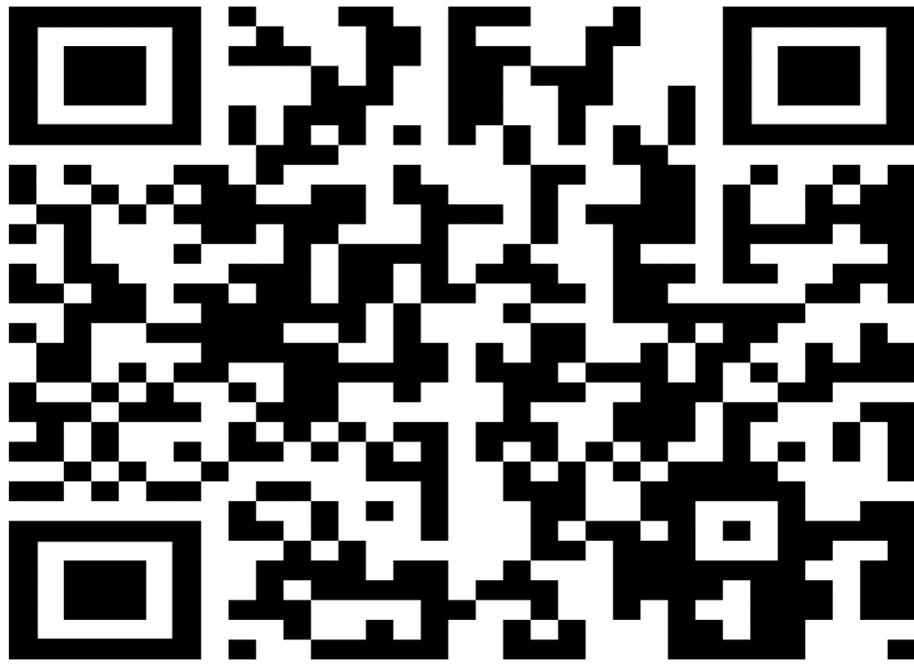
Greeters: Ethan Cole & Alice Coleman
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: Teresa Crow
Flower Elder: Tom Crow
Deacons: Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

July 21, 2024

Greeters: John & Margie Beeson
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
Deacons: Pat Taylor & Bob Wilmoth

July 28, 2024

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter
Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Glenda Burkhart & Sheri Thomas



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Family of Nancy Bair
Margie Beeson
Don Bobo
Steve Brine, Beth Brine's brother
Mary Chittenden
Ellen Allard, Glenda Burkhart's sister-in-law
Jeanne Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister
Shannon Brown, friend of Cara Fowler
Monica Harper, friend of Cara Fowler
Bryson Caler, Judy Shilling's nephew
Shelly Labriola, Jerry & Sheri Thomas' niece
B.J. Adams, Glenda Burkhart's brother
Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter

Ongoing Concerns

Beth Brine
Carolyn Walker
Carolyn Hudspeth
Anthony Johnson
Ed Shilling, Judy Shilling's husband
Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhart's son-in-law
Jeane Duren, Beth Brine's aunt

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home
Elizabeth Cooney, home
Herb Hamilton, The Oaks room 34
Elaine Hamilton, Little River Nursing Home Room 401
Jane Watson, home
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 July 21, 2024

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July 14, 2024

Attendance: 43
Offering: \$1,229.54

This Sunday:

"ARE YOU SERIOUS?!"

Scripture:

Mark 6:30-34

LECTIONARY FOR JULY 21, 2024

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a
Psalm 89:20-37
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56