

August 28, 2024



Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ² they noticed some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³ (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders, ⁴ and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash, and there are also many other traditions they observe: the washing of cups and pots and bronze kettles and beds.) ⁵ So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶ He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; ⁷ in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

⁸ "You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

¹⁴ Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵ there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile."

²¹ For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: sexual immorality, theft, murder, ²² adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, debauchery, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³ All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

May we always remember this teaching from our Lord. There is absolutely no one or no "evil spirit" to blame for our bad behavior. What we do comes from within us, from our human hearts. May we always be willing to "step up to the plate" and take responsibility for our actions. After all, as Alexander Pope said, "To err is human, to forgive, divine."

Let us be faithful followers of our Lord, sharing love and forgiveness.

May the Lord of Love and Compassion be with you always, Wes



Thank you to all those who brought these school supplies to the August potluck!!

17 Spiral Notebooks 2– 3 ring binders 16 Prong folders 9 pkgs filler paper 4 composition books 200 #2 pencils 8 "My 1st" pencils 24 Happy Face pencils 10 pkgs 12 colored pencils 10 boxes 24 crayons 3 boxes 48 crayons 10 bottles glue 30 black ballpoint pens

Scissors

Erasers

Sticky notes

I was very proud to represent Central Christian at the Elementary School.

They were very appreciative of our donation.

Thanks to everyone!!



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

MOND&Y, SEPTEMBER 2ND

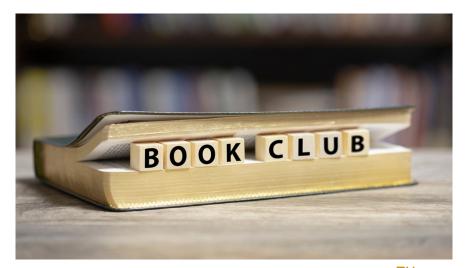
FOR THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY AND WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD HAVE A VERY RELAXING LABOR DAY HOLIDAY!!!



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.





ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM. TO DISCUSS

ESCAPE FROM DACHAU BY

KATHE MUELLER SLONIM

On a rainy night in December 1938, former Nazi official Max Immanuel climbed into his car in Berlin and set out on a harrowing mission. Over the course of a single night, he planned to travel to the gates of Dachau — Nazi Germany's first concentration camp — to rescue a Jewish prisoner. Max's mission was profoundly dangerous, and unusual, because this former Third Reich official was a Jew himself. Born Imanuel Rosenfeld, Max had changed his name and his religion, living in fear that his truth would be discovered.

Setting a backdrop for Max's mission, *Escape from Dachau* recounts the history of the Jewish people in the Germanic lands through the middle ages and the bitterness brought about by World War I, festering into resentment and hatred towards German Jews.

Torn between his own plans to flee Germany and the chance to save a family member from the clutches of the Nazis, Max makes the excruciating choice to go to Dachau. It is a journey that will require him to risk his life as he passes through one Nazi checkpoint after another and to continually brandish his now-expired Third Reich papers, claiming that he is a loyal member of the Nazi Party on official business.

Based on a true story, *Escape from Dachau* pays tribute to the bravery, sacrifice, and resilience of those who sought to flee the horrors of Nazi Germany during one of the darkest periods of human history.

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, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 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.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH 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!



THE CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, SEPT. 20TH

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd. Come join us!



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd

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.'

Board Meeting



THERE WILL BE A GENERAL BOARD MEETING MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD AT 6 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM. ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY **IMPORTANT SO ALL BOARD MEMBERS** ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE PRESENT.



The Journey Sunday School Class will be studying

1st Timothy

We hope you will join us for this important study. *The Journey class* meets in the Library in the Community Center.

The First Epistle to Timothy is one of three letters in the New Testament of the Bible often grouped together as the pastoral epistles, along with Second Timothy and Titus. The letter, traditionally attributed to the Apostle Paul, consists mainly of counsels to his younger colleague and delegate Timothy regarding his ministry in Ephesus (1:3). These counsels include instructions on the organization of the Church and the responsibilities resting on certain groups of leaders therein as well as exhortations to faithfulness in maintaining the truth amid surrounding errors.

Most modern scholars consider the pastoral epistles to have been written after Paul's death, although "a small and declining number of scholars still argue for Pauline authorship".



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 its own controls.

It has now become necessary, in an attempt to control the cost of heating and cooling in our Sanctuary/Education building, to turn off ALL units except in the sanctuary. Therefore, the parlor and HeBrews will no longer have AC/Heating units on. If you wish to use the parlor or HeBrews, please let the Property Committee Chair, Lee Nailling, know. It will also be necessary to reserve the parlor or HeBrews by booking it through our Admin. Assistant, Tonya Shumake.

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/



JUST & REMINDER

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MEMORIAL

GIFTS ARE WELCOME

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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE AN

HONORARIUM OR MEMORIAL

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK TO CCC

WITH & 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.





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 <u>Texarkana</u>.

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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

September 2	all day	Labor Day/office closed
September 4	5pm	Choir
September 7	3pm	Bingo in the Community Room
September 9	1pm	Book Club
September 10	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
September 11	5pm	Choir
September 15	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
September 18	5pm	Choir
September 20	7:30am	CMF @Old Tyme Burger
September 22	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
September 22	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
September 23	6pm	General Board Meeting
September 25	5pm	Choir
September 29	9:30am	5th Sunday breakfast
October 1	4pm	Events Committee
October 2	5pm	Choir
October 6	11:45am	Fellowship Committee Meeting



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.

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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.

29 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am 5th Sunday Breakfast 10:40am Worship Service	22 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams Drop off	15 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	8 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	1 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	SUN	
30	23 6pm General Board Meeting	16	9 1pm Book Club	2 Office closed	MON	
	24	17	10 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	ω	TUE	September
	25 5pm Choir	18 5pm Choir	11 5pm Choir	4	WED	mber _
	26	19	12	S	THU	2024
	27	20 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	13	6	FRI	
Potluck Luncheon Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable or salad	28	21	14	7 3pm-5pm Bingo in the Community Room	SAT	

Robert & Alice Kern	Septem	Jack Fisher	Sondra Bedwell	Teresa Crow	Julia Carpenter	Jack Carter	Caroline Crain	Dorothy Alves	Philip Stover	Jack Duncan	Septe
9-7	September Anniversaries	9-27	9-20	9-18	9-16	9-11	9-10	9-8	9-7	9-4	September Birthdays

Servers for the Weeks Ahead

September 1, 2024

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

September 8, 2024

Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell Hospital Elder: Robert Kern Flower Elder: Alice Kern Deacons: Pat Taylor & Bob Wilmoth

September 15, 2024

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth Worship Leader: Alice Coleman Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr. Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter Deacons: Glenda Burkhart & Sheri Thomas

September 22, 2024

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas Worship Leader: John Beeson Hospital Elder: Mike Martin Flower Elder: Jim Spears Deacons: Lois Moore & Judy Shilling

September 29, 2024 Greaters: George & Inli

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas Hospital Elder: Jack Carter Flower Elder: Joan Carter Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth & Glen Hudspeth



SHOW FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

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Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church Wes Byas Family of Connie Prewitt, Sondra Bedwell's sister Jerry Thomas Wanda Cox, Annette Wilmoth's sister Glenda Burkhart **Connie Spears** Margie Beeson Steve Brine, Beth Brine's brother Mary Chittenden Ellen Allard, Glenda Burkhart's sister-in-law Jeanne Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister 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, Little River Nursing & Rehab Rm.117 Elaine Hamilton, Little River Nursing & Rehab Rm. 117 Jane Watson, home James Thompson, home Susie Howdeshell, home Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 207 Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



Serving this Sunday September 1, 2024

Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor **Worship Leader:** Lee Nailling **Hospital Elder:** Tom Crow **Flower Elder:** Teresa Crow **Deacons:** Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

August 25, 2024

 Attendance:
 28

 Offering:
 \$3,495.69

This Sunday:

"Unstained"

Scripture:

James 1:17-27

LECTIONARY FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23