

The Central Christian 411

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James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up, and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, so you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷ Elijah was a human like us, and he prayed fervently it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰ you should know whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Scripture is certainly wonderful in illuminating the joy of belief and the need for faith. Yet, as illuminating as it is, it is also very important we look at the context and the time in which it was written. For example, we know in today's world if we are sick, we consult a doctor. After all, doctors were not plentiful in James' time and the doctors who were available were limited in their ability to help simply due to the limitation of medications and medical knowledge of the time. To pray in difficult times, to be cheerful and sing and to talk with friends who can help you process and work through situations are all very valid in today's world. And to remember the patriarchs and prophets in the days of old were human, not gods or demi-gods is also very important to keep in mind, as James points out. But perhaps the most important words in this passage from James is this:

“.....anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.”

It is important for all of us to remember God forgives sin. Knowing that, it is equally important to remember we must forgive ourselves. So often, that is the most difficult thing to do.

May the God of love and forgiveness abide in you always, Wes

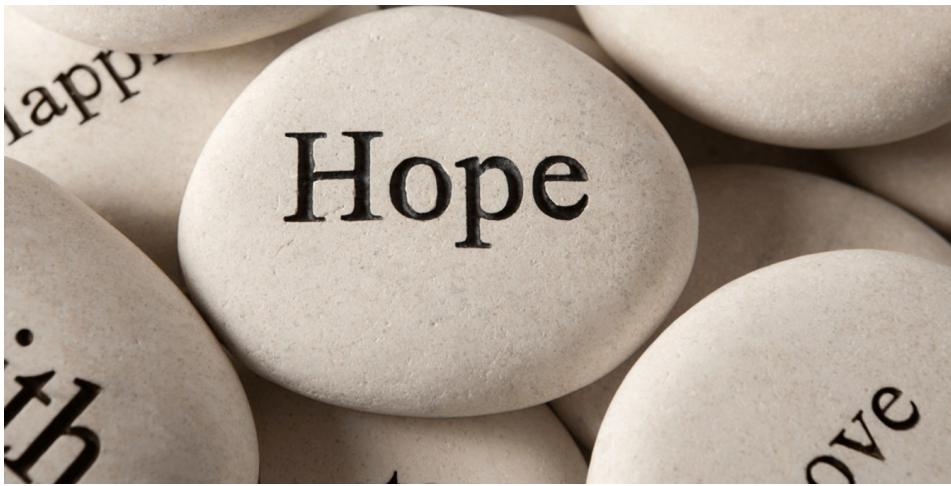


SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, IS OUR
5TH SUNDAY
BREAKFAST!

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



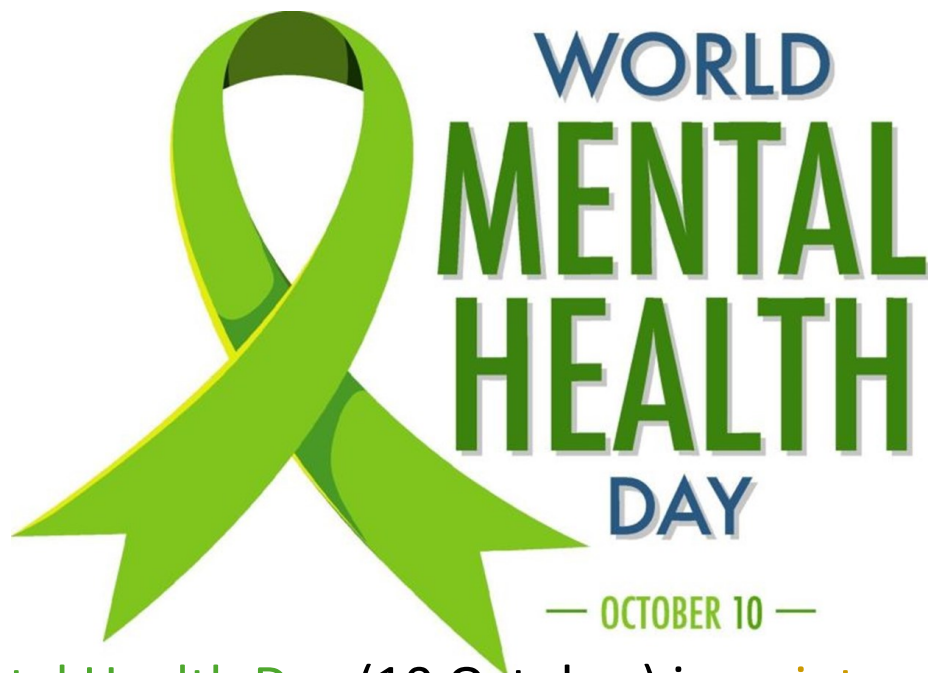
HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 8TH,
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

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.

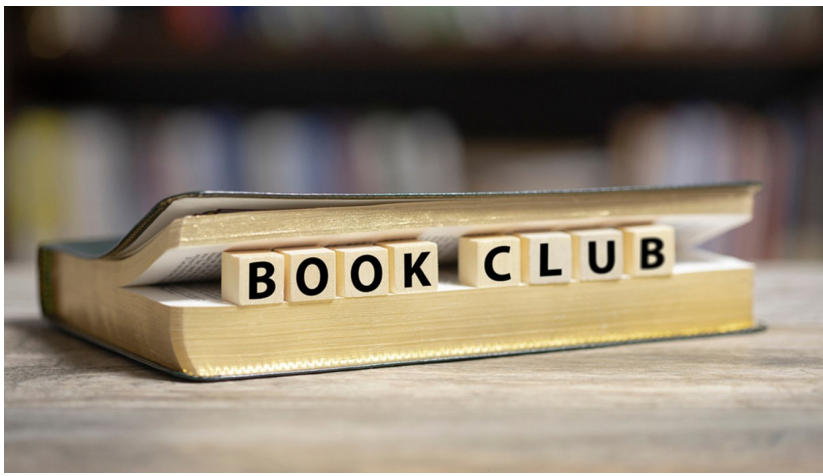
The mission of Hope Remains is to offer a safe place where any and all emotions may be freely expressed. There may be tears shed at the meetings. There may be laughter and smiles shared as precious memories of a child, grandchild, or sibling is recalled. And there will always be acceptance, friendship 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.



World Mental Health Day (10 October) is an international day for global mental health education, awareness and advocacy against social stigma. It was first celebrated in 1992 at the initiative of the World Federation for Mental Health, a global mental health organization with members and contacts in more than 150 countries. This day, each October, thousands of supporters come to celebrate this annual awareness program to bring attention to mental illness and its major effects on people's lives worldwide.

In addition, this day provides an opportunity for mental health professionals to discuss and shed light on their work, making mental health a priority worldwide. In some countries this day is part of an awareness week, such as Mental Health Week in Australia.



ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

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

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

TO DISCUSS

THE WAGER: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder

BY

DAVID GRANN

On January 28, 1742, a ramshackle vessel of patched-together wood and cloth washed up on the coast of Brazil. Inside were thirty emaciated men, barely alive, and they had an extraordinary tale to tell. They were survivors of His Majesty's Ship the *Wager*, a British vessel that had left England in 1740 on a secret mission during an imperial war with Spain. While the *Wager* had been chasing a Spanish treasure-filled galleon known as "the prize of all the oceans," it had wrecked on a desolate island off the coast of Patagonia. The men, after being marooned for months and facing starvation, built the flimsy craft and sailed for more than a hundred days, traversing nearly 3,000 miles of storm-wracked seas. They were greeted as heroes.

But then ... six months later, another, even more decrepit craft landed on the coast of Chile. This boat contained just three castaways, and they told a very different story. The thirty sailors who landed in Brazil were not heroes – they were mutineers. The first group responded with countercharges of their own, of a tyrannical and murderous senior officer and his henchmen. It became clear that while stranded on the island the crew had fallen into anarchy, with warring factions fighting for dominion over the barren wilderness. As accusations of treachery and murder flew, the Admiralty convened a court martial to determine who was telling the truth. The stakes were life-and-death—for whomever the court found guilty could hang.

The Wager is a grand tale of human behavior at the extremes told by one of our greatest nonfiction writers. Grann's recreation of the hidden world on a British warship rivals the work of Patrick O'Brian, his portrayal of the castaways' desperate straits stands up to the classics of survival writing such as *The Endurance*, and his account of the court martial has the savvy of a Scott Turow thriller. As always with Grann's work, the incredible twists of the narrative hold the reader spellbound.

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



THE

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, OCT. 18TH

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

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!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th

**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.'

Cabinet Meeting

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28th

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.



***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/](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.

***ATTENTION ALL ELDERS
AND
BOARD MEMBERS!!***

In an effort to increase attendance at our Elder meetings and Board meetings, we would like you to sign up for text messaging so you can receive reminders of meetings.

THIS IS NOT A GROUP TEXT!

No one will receive your phone number through this messaging service! If anyone responds to a text it goes straight to the messaging computer system, not you. This is a completely safe way to receive reminders without risking your privacy.

Please follow the instructions below to sign up for the messaging service.

We need **ALL** of you to do this, please.



Central Christian will be sending out text messages to remind members of upcoming meetings. To receive text messages, please text ccctxk to 292929, as shown above, to have your number put on our list.

ELDER EDUCATION

The following is intended to assist the Elders of Central Christian Church in learning the duties of an Elder according to the By-Laws of CCC.

Elders are not to exceed six (6) in number for a term of three (3) years.

An Elder may be removed from Eldership if it becomes apparent his/her conduct is inconsistent with the teachings of Christ and expectations of the congregation. The Elders shall investigate any charges, and if the charges are founded then make their recommendation for removal to the congregation. Removal shall take a simple majority vote by the congregation.

Elders primarily shall be responsible for the spiritual life and development of the congregation, preside at the Lord's Table, assist and share with the Minister(s) in the conduct of Pastoral functions and provide supportive counsel for the Minister(s) regarding the spiritual life and development of the congregation.

The six (6) Elders elected for the Board are "voting" Elders. All other Elders are encouraged to attend Board meetings with the understanding they are none voting members.

DEACON EDUCATION

The following is intended to assist the Deacons of Central Christian Church in the duties of a Deacon according to the By-Laws of CCC.

Deacons are not to exceed fifteen (15) in number for a term of three (3) years.

Deacons primarily shall be responsible for the maintenance and growth of the congregation through its individual members and corporate life in witness in the community and in the world.

The Deacons shall be called upon to distribute communion to the congregation, as well as collect the tithe and offering during the worship service.

The Deacon chair shall coordinate the distribution of communion elements and the collection of the tithe and offering to ensure it is in a timely and organized manner. The Deacon chair shall ensure Deacons are in sufficient number for each service.

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

September 25	5pm	Choir
September 29	9:30am	5th Sunday breakfast
September 29	10:40am	Reconciliation offering
October 1	all day	World Vegetarian Day
October 1	4pm	Events Committee
October 2	5pm	Choir
October 6	10:40am	Reconciliation offering
October 6	11:45am	Fellowship Committee
October 8	3pm	Worship Committee
October 8	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
October 9	5pm	Choir
October 10	all day	World Mental Health Day
October 14	1pm	Book Club
October 16	5pm	Choir
October 18	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger Shoppe
October 20	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon



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.

October 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Potluck Luncheon Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable or salad		1 World Vegetarian Day 4pm Events Committee	2 5pm Choir	3	4	5
6 Reconciliation offering 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Fellowship Comm	7	8 3pm Worship Comm. 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	9 5pm Choir	10 World Mental Health Day	11	12
13 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	14 1pm Book Club	15	16 5pm Choir	17	18 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyne Burger Shoppe	19
20 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	21	22	23 5pm Choir	24	25	26
27 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams Drop off	28 6pm Cabinet Meeting	29	30 5pm Choir	31		

October Birthdays

Kelly Cunningham	10-1
Kelley Folmar	10-9
Sondra Crain	10-12
Alice Coleman	10-18
Sharon Minx	10-20
David DeFoy	10-22
Beth Brine	10-27
Annette Wilmoth	10-31
October Anniversaries	
George & Julia Carpenter	10-18

October Birthdays



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

October 6, 2024

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Jamie Bennett & Sheri Thomas

October 13, 2024

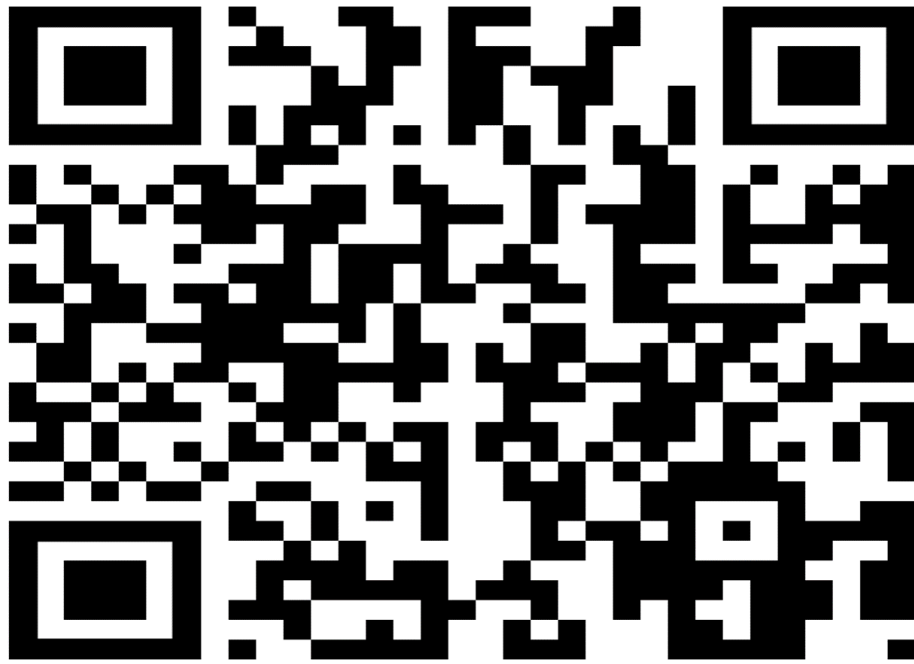
Greeters: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Harold Taylor & Jerry Thomas

October 20, 2024

Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhart
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Jack Duncan

October 27, 2024

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
Worship Leader:
Hospital Elder:
Flower Elder:
Deacons: Lois Moore & Judy Shilling



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QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

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Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Justin Fowler
Emily Smith, Wes' niece
Kelley Folmar
Cowboy Mathison
Glenda Burkhart
Connie Spears
Margie Beeson

Ongoing Concerns

Beth Brine
Carolyn Walker
Bryson Caler, Judy Shilling's nephew
Jeannie Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister
Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter
Monica Harper, friend of Cara Fowler
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
Mary Chittenden
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 29, 2024

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

September 22, 2024

Attendance: 28
Offering: \$1,439.54

This Sunday:

"ME and YOU"

Scripture:

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

LECTIONARY FOR SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Psalm 124

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

Memorials

Connie Prewitt

Tom & Teresa Crow