

The Central Christian 411

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James 2:1-10

My brothers and sisters do not claim the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ of glory while showing partiality. ² For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³ and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here in a good place, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit by my footstool," ⁴ have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵ Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom he has promised to those who love him? ⁶ But you have dishonored the poor person. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into the courts? ⁷ Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸ If you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well. ⁹ But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰ For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

As you have heard me say countless times, we Christians need to work toward the goal of being more like Jesus. You have also heard me say we Christians have a difficult road to hoe in doing so because not everything in our world is black and white, but there is a great deal of gray. In this passage James reminds us of Jesus' words, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," with the understanding our neighbor is anyone and everyone in this world. Whether we like the person or not, whether we deem them unworthy or not of our love, they are our neighbor and Jesus made it clear we are to love them. What a difficult thing to do when we have human emotions and thoughts of separating ourselves from those "WE" do not approve of! Yet, as James says, ".....if we show partiality, we commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors." Just one point of failing the law, James says, makes us accountable for all of it. How are you doing on your faith journey in this regard? Do you show partiality or is your heart open to ALL of God's children?

May the God who shows no partiality abide in your hearts,



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.

BINGO

SEPTEMBER 7TH

FAMILY BINGO

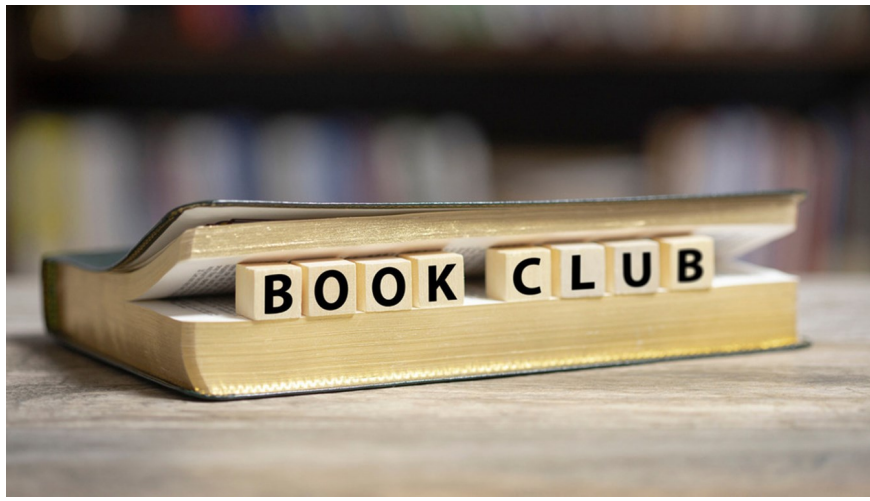
IN HeBREWS

PRIZES!  PRIZES!  PRIZES!

FROM 3 to 5 PM

Fun4theBrain

Y'ALL COME!!



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.



World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) is an awareness always observed on

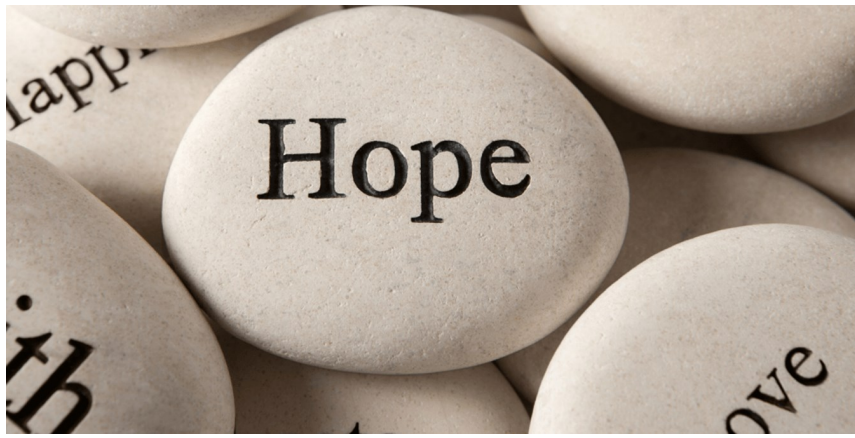
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every year, in order to provide worldwide commitment and action to prevent suicides, with various activities around the world since 2003. The

International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) collaborates with the [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) and the [World Federation for Mental Health \(WFMH\)](#) to host

World Suicide Prevention Day.

In 2011 an estimated 40 countries held awareness events to mark the occasion. According to [WHO's Mental Health Atlas](#) released in 2014, no low-income country reported having a national [suicide prevention](#) strategy, while less than 10% of lower-middle income countries, and almost a third of upper-middle and high-income countries had.



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!



Saturday, September 21st, is **Zero Emissions Day**. It is annually observed for the following purposes:

1. to raise awareness of the impact of carbon emissions on air quality and climate change.
2. to encourage individuals, organizations, and corporations to reduce the use of fossil fuels in daily life.
3. To promote the use of renewable energy.

Inception:

Zero Emissions Day was started back in 2008 in Canada as a day to minimize the use of electricity generated by fossil fuels.

History:

In 2008, Ken Wallace launched a website in Nova Scotia, Canada, calling for September 21 to be a day of zero fossil fuel consumption.

Nowadays, Zero Emissions Day has evolved into a worldwide movement that aims to stop the use of fossil fuels for 24 hours that day.



On car-free days, people are encouraged to travel by means other than cars. Some cities, like **Jakarta** and **Tehran**, have weekly car-free days. Other such days are annual. World Car Free Day is celebrated on September 22. Organized events are held in some cities and countries.

The events, which vary by location, give motorists and commuters an idea of their locality with fewer cars. The concept dates from the 1970s but was popularized in the 1990s.

Currently **Bogotá** holds the world's largest car-free weekday event covering the entire city. The first car-free day was held in February 2000 and became institutionalized through a public referendum.



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.



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OUR BEAUTIFUL

CCC BALL CAP

AND

T-SHIRT

CAN BE YOURS FOR

ONLY \$20 EACH!!!

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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.

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 4	all day	National Wildlife Day
September 4	5pm	Choir
September 7	3pm	Bingo in the Community Room
September 9	1pm	Book Club
September 10	all day	National Suicide Prevention Day
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 21	all day	Zero Emissions Day
September 22	all day	World Car Free Day
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



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.

September 2024

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

September Birthdays

Jack Duncan	9-4
Philip Stover	9-7
Dorothy Alves	9-8
Caroline Crain	9-10
Jack Carter	9-11
Julia Carpenter	9-16
Teresa Crow	9-18
Sondra Bedwell	9-20
Jack Fisher	9-27

September Anniversaries

Robert & Alice Kern 9-7

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

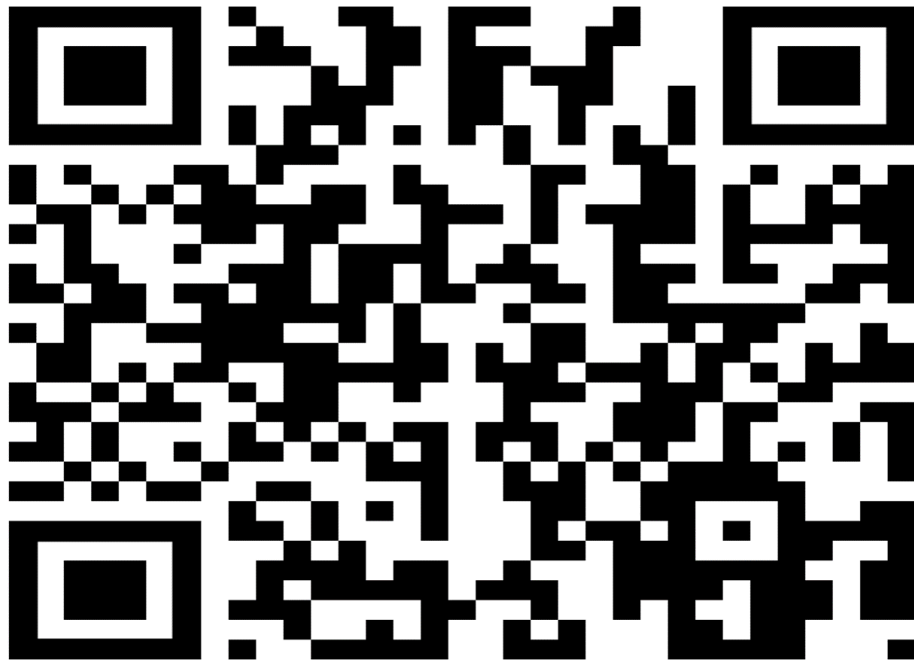
September 22, 2024

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

September 29, 2024

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





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TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

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Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Jerry Thomas
Wanda Cox, Annette Wilmoth's sister
Glenda Burkhart
Connie Spears
Margie Beeson
Steve Brine, Beth Brine's brother
Shannon Brown, friend of Cara Fowler
Monica Harper, friend of Cara Fowler

Ongoing Concerns

Beth Brine
Carolyn Walker
Bryson Caler, Judy Shilling's nephew
Jeannie Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister
Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter
B.J. Adams, Glenda Burkhart's brother
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 8, 2024

Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor

Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell

Hospital Elder: Robert Kern

Flower Elder: Alice Kern

Deacons: Pat Taylor & Bob Wilmoth

September 1, 2024

Attendance: 28

Offering: \$3,570.35

This Sunday:

"To Be Open"

Scripture:

Mark 7:24-37

LECTIONARY FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Psalm 125

James 2:1-10, (11-13), 14-17

Mark 7:24-37

Memorials

Connie Prewitt

Alice Coleman