# The Central Christian 411



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#### Hebrews 9:11-14

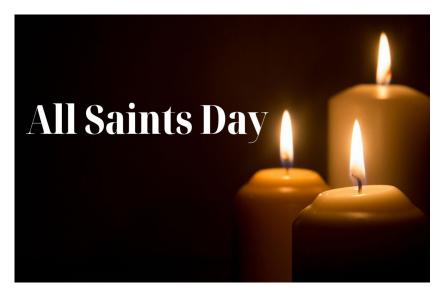
But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation. <sup>12</sup> He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. <sup>13</sup> The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them, so they are outwardly clean. <sup>14</sup> How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so we may serve the living God!

The writer of Hebrews sends a clear message for all to hear. While we, as humans, strive to clean the outside of ourselves, it is God who cleans the inside.

Ancient Hebrews and the Jews of Jesus' time went to great lengths to ceremonially cleanse themselves by making sacrifices, NOT of themselves, but of animals, then sprinkling themselves with the ashes. The writer clearly points out doing so was JUST ceremonially, not an "actual" cleansing. As Christians we are called to cleanse our insides, that is, to cleanse our consciences. To have a clean conscience is to make way for God in our lives, to allow God to enter our hearts and minds. I believe Abraham Lincoln put it well when he said, "I desire so to conduct the affairs of this administration that if at the end, when I come to lay down the reins of power, I have lost every other friend on earth, I shall at least have one friend left, and that friend shall be down inside of me."

Perhaps we should ask ourselves, "What is down inside me?" A pure heart? A pure mind? Have I made room for God in my life?

May God fill your hearts and minds with hope and promise, always,



**NOVEMBER 1, 2024** 

Is All Saints' Day, also known as All Hallows' Day, the Feast of All Saints, the Feast of All Hallows, the Solemnity of All Saints, and Hallowmas, is a Christian solemnity celebrated in honor of all the saints of the church, whether they are known or unknown. From the 4th century, feasts commemorating all Christian martyrs were held in various places, on various dates near Easter and Pentecost. In the 9th century, some churches in the British Isles began holding the commemoration of all saints on 1 November, and in the 9th century this was extended to the whole Catholic Church by Pope Gregory IV.

In Western Christianity, it is still celebrated on 1 November by the Roman Catholic Church as well as many Protestant churches, as the Christian Church (DoC) & Anglican traditions. The Eastern Orthodox Church and associated Eastern Catholic and Eastern Lutheran churches celebrate it on the first Sunday after Pentecost. The Syro-Malabar Church and the Chaldean Catholic Church, both of whom are in communion with Rome, as well as the Church of the East celebrate All Saints' Day on the first Friday after Easter Sunday. In the Coptic Orthodox tradition, All Saints' Day is on Nayrouz, celebrated on 11 September. The day is both the start of the Coptic new year and its first month, Thout.



**COMING** SATURDAY, NOV. 2<sup>ND</sup> **CHILI SUPPER** FROM 5 TO 7 PM \*HOMEMADE CHILI \*LIVE MUSIC BY **TERRY GAITHER** \*BAKE SALE \*RAFFLE FOR \$100 GIFT CARD TO **OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE** 

(COST OF RAFFLE TICKET \$5)

**AND OF COURSE FELLOWSHIP!!!** 



# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>

# DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS PLEASE BE SURE TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS & WATCHES

BACK "1" HOUR

BEFORE YOU GO TO BED SATURDAY NIGHT, NOV. 2<sup>nd</sup>



NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> WILL BE **ALL SAINTS** SUNDAY **COME CELEBRATE** THE SAINTS OF

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
AS WE LIGHT CANDLES
IN MEMORY OF THEM.



Veterans Day (originally known as Armistice Day) is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces (who were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable). It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day which are celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is distinct from Memorial Day, a U.S. public holiday in May. Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who had *died* while in military service. Another military holiday that also occurs in May, Armed Forces Day, honors those *currently serving* in the U.S. military.

Additionally, Women Veterans Day is recognized by a growing

number of U.S. states that specifically honor women who have served in the U.S. military.



# HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 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 **2**<sup>nd</sup> *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.



# THE CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, NOV. 15<sup>TH</sup>

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

WE HAVE OUR

**THANKSGIVING** 

## **POTLUCK LUNCHEON**

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

**OUR** 

**WORSHIP SERVICE** 

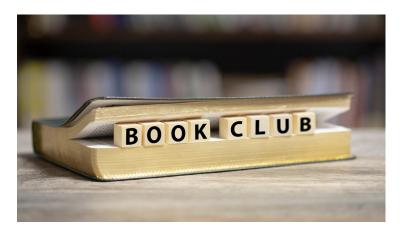
**MEAT & DRESSING PROVIDED!** 

Please bring side-dishes/dessert

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING MEAL

**GOD'S BLESSINGS!** 



# ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

TO DISCUSS

## THIS SIDE OF PARADISE

# BY F. SCOTT FITZGERALD

This Side of Paradise is the debut novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald, published in 1920. The book examines the lives and morality of post—World War I youth. Its protagonist Amory Blaine is an attractive student at Princeton University who dabbles in literature.

The novel explores the theme of love warped by greed and status seeking and takes its title from a line of Rupert Brooke's poem Tiare Tahiti. The novel famously helped F. Scott Fitzgerald gain Zelda Sayre's hand in marriage; its publication was her condition of acceptance.

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



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>** 

# 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
NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>
AT 6 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY

IMPORTANT SO ALL

BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE PRESENT.



# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, IS THANKSGIVING DAY.

On this day, let us be in prayer for our families, friends and for our church.

Central Christian Church gives thanks for each and every one of you!



# The Journey Sunday School Class will be studying

2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy

We hope you will join us for this important study.

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

The Second Epistle to Timothy is one of the three pastoral epistles traditionally attributed to Paul the Apostle. Addressed to Timothy, a fellow missionary, it is traditionally considered to be the last epistle Paul wrote before his death. The original language is Koine Greek.

While the Pastorals are attributed to Paul, they differ from his other letters. Since the early 19th century, scholars have increasingly viewed them as the work of an unknown follower of Paul's teachings. This perspective arises from the fact that the Pastorals do not focus on Paul's typical themes, such as believers' unity with Christ, and they present a church hierarchy that is more organized and defined than what existed during Paul's lifetime.

Nonetheless, a number of scholars still defend the traditional authorship of 2 Timothy.



# The TNT Sunday School Class is continuing its study of

## **NEHEMIAH**

# We study various books of the Bible and recently completed

## **EZRA**

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 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.



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.

# QUALIFICATIONS TO BE AN ELDER, DEACON OR OFFICER

Must have been members of the congregation for at least one (1) year before election to serve; although exceptions may be made if the Nominating Committee deems it necessary to fill a position.

Must be active in the congregation's life and give evidence of seeking to grow in their own understanding and practice of the Christian life. Such evidence includes the following:

- a. Conduct one's life in light of the teachings of Jesus Christ.
- b. **Promotion of good will** and Christian fellowship in the congregation and community.
- c. At the very least, seventy-five (75) percent attendance at worship services and stated meetings of the congregation.
- d. Regular financial and/or service contributions to the support of the congregation and its outreach program.
- e. Willingness to fulfill assignments on behalf of the congregation.
- f. Demonstrated skills of evident potential in carrying out responsibilities of the particular office.

#### 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**

October 30	5pm	Choir
November 1	all day	All Saints Day
November 2	5pm	Chili Supper and Bake Sale
November 3		Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 3	10:40am	All Saints Service
November 6	5pm	Choir
November 10	10:40am	Veterans' Day service
November 11	all day	Veterans Day
November 12	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
November 13	5pm	Choir
November 15	7:30am	CMF
November 17	11:45am	Thanksgiving potluck
November 18	1pm	Book Club
November 20	5pm	Choir
November 24	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
November 24	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.



## **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.

# November 2024

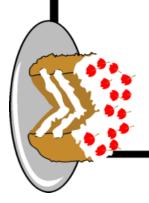
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25 6pm General Board	18 Ipm Book Club	11 Veterans Day	4	Thanksgiving offering will be taken up on November 17th and 24th	NOM
26	19	12 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	ъ		TUE
27	20 5pm Choir	13 5pm Choir	6 5pm Choir		WED
28 Office closed	21	14	7		UHT
29 Office closed	22	15 7:30am CMF	~	1 All Saints Day	FRI
30 10am Decorating sanctuary	23	16	9	2 5pm-7pm Chili Supper and Bake Sale *set clocks ane watches back one hour	SAT

# **November Birthdays**

Justin Fowler 11-30	Donna Nash Sarah Carpenter Carol Ann Tallent Teri Stover Margie Beeson Chad Bennett	11-7 11-9 11-18 11-19 11-22 11-30
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	Margie Beeson	11-22
	Chad Bennett	11-30
	Justin Fowler	11-30

# **November Anniversaries**

Herb & Elaine Hamilton	11-4
3ob & Lynn Wilmoth	11-13
Nick & Neldajo Mathison	11-27



# Servers for the Weeks Ahead

# **November 3, 2024**

Hospital Elder: Connie Spears Greeters: Robert & Alice Kern Worship Leader: Lee Nailling

Flower Elder: Jim Spears

Deacons: Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

# November 10, 2024

Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor

Flower Elder: Teresa Crow Hospital Elder: Tom Crow

Deacons: Pat Taylor & Bob Wilmoth

# November 17, 2024

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas

Worship Leader: Mike Martin

Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.

Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter

Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth & Glen Hudspeth

# November 24, 2024

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth

Hospital Elder: Jack Carter Worship Leader: Alice Coleman

Flower Elder: Joan Carter

Deacons: Lois Moore & Judy Shilling



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**OUR** 

CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

# Weekly Info

## **Prayer Need**

Our Church
Wes Byas
George & Julia Carpenter
Dorothy Alves
Nancy Myrick
Kelley Folmar

#### **Ongoing Concerns**

Margie Beeson

Beth Brine

Emily Smith, Wes' niece

Kathy Bramlett, friend of Julia Carpenter

Carolyn Walker

Bryson Caler, Judy Shilling's nephew

Jeanne Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister

Mitch Anderson, friend of George & Julia Carpenter

Monica Harper, friend of Cara Fowler

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 November 3, 2024

Greeters: Robert & Alice Kern Worship Leader: Lee Nailling Hospital Elder: Connie Spears Flower Elder: Jim Spears

Deacons: Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

#### October 27, 2024

Attendance: 40

**Offering:** \$1,957.18

#### This Sunday:

"Mutual Admiration"

#### **Scripture:**

Mark 12:28-34

## LECTIONARY FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2024 All Saints Sunday

Ruth 1:1-18 Psalm 146 Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 12:28-34