

The Central Christian 411



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Mark 13:1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!”² Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?”⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

In this passage Jesus expresses concern for people being led astray by false teachings and prophecies. But what is clear from this passage is Jesus’ belief these things would happen in the disciples’ lifetime and therefore witnessed by the disciples.

Truth is, we have had false teachings and prophecies throughout history. How many times have you heard an evangelist or other persons say, “It’s the end times!” When we have experienced extremely bad weather events or countries going to war with one another there have been cries of, “It’s the end times!” Even when earthquakes have occurred, we have heard this declaration. However, as Jesus said in Matthew 24:36, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

Let us always remember this teaching. Only God knows when the end will come. “Only” God.

May the God of eternal life be with you always, Wes

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Please designate on the form below the number of plants you wish to order this year. We also ask that you specify how you would like the Sunday Bulletin

Insert to read when it is published. In addition, please take the time to let us know whether or not you will be picking up your Poinsettia following our Christmas Eve service, or if you would prefer to have it delivered to one of our shut-ins, a homebound member, or to one of the local hospitals or nursing homes. May God bless you every day, and especially this Christmas season!



The cost of each Plant is \$15.00 Please pay in advance with you order.

NUMBER OF PLANTS: _____

PAYMENT AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

(Please print)

IN MEMORY OF:

IN HONOR OF:

NAME (S) OF DONOR (S) AS IT SHOULD APPEAR IN THE CHRISTMAS BULLETIN:

You may pick up your poinsettia Christmas Eve following the service.

ORDER DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH.



THE
CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, NOV. 15TH

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

**WE HAVE OUR
THANKSGIVING**

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

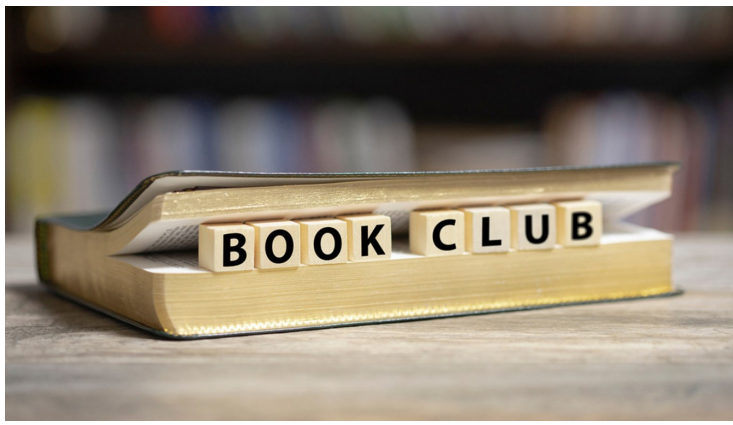
MEAT & DRESSING PROVIDED!

Please bring side-dishes/dessert

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING MEAL

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH
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 24th

**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 25TH

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 28TH, 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 CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY FOR THE
HOLIDAYS)**



SATURDAY

November 30th

AT 10 A.M.

WE WILL BE

DECORATING

OUR

SANCTUARY

FOR

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO HELP.

Advent

*A Season of Hope
& Expectation*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1st,
IS THE FIRST SUNDAY
OF ADVENT.



Advent is a season observed as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming. The term is a version of the Latin word meaning "coming".

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

*Join us for great
food and fellowship*



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th

WE WILL HAVE OUR

ANNUAL

ADVENT

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY AFTER OUR

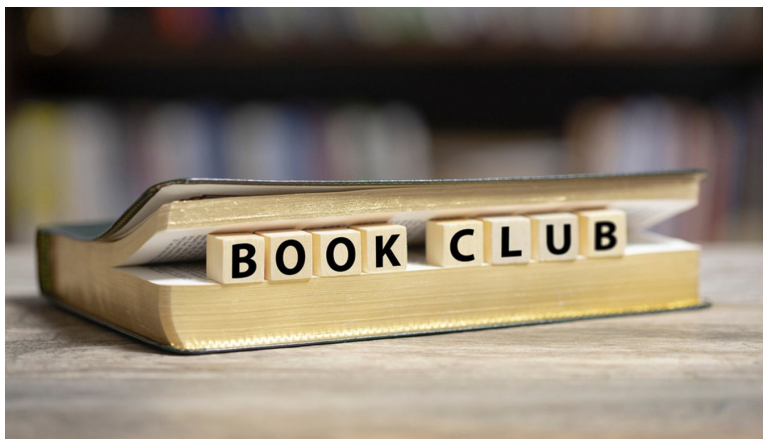
WORSHIP SERVICE.

COME JOIN IN!

A-H - MEAT

I-Z - VEGETABLES

SALAD or DESSERT



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

THE CABIN AT THE END OF THE TRAIN

BY

MICHAEL V. IVANOV

From a chance meeting with a remarkable old man by the name of “Carl,” a mysterious WWII veteran who shows up on the train at just the right time, *The Cabin at the End of the Train* provides 12 priceless lessons about **purpose, life**, and the importance of **perspectives**.

The Cabin at the end of the train will provide you with:

- A better understanding of life’s challenges and proper perspective for tackling them
- Practical yet powerful methods of motivation, encouragement, and resolve for those struggling
- A fresh and insightful perspective on how people can change their view of the world, find strength, and move beyond their problems.

1. *“Sometimes the things we run from are the very things we should be moving towards”*
2. *“Your eyes are the window through which the soul sees the world”*
3. *“You will feel afraid and unqualified”*
4. *“You will be pulled in all directions”*
5. *“Sometimes all we need is a little perspective”*
6. *“Don’t wait to be discovered”*
7. *“You’ve got to believe it in!”*
8. *“Faith without action is dead; action activates miracles”*
9. *“When your feet are planted on solid ground, the sky is the limit.”*
10. *“When your heart breaks for those less fortunate than you, you can be entrusted with diamonds”*
11. *“Life is happening with or without you”*
12. *“Allow yourself to be moved emotionally”*

Other Books by Michael:

The Mount of Olives: 11 Declarations to an extraordinary life

The Traveler's Secret: Ancient proverbs for better living

The Servant with One Talent: Five Success Principles from the Greatest Parable Ever Told

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HOPE REMAINS

December 10th

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.

Tuesday, December 10, 2024, Hope Remains will have a Candlelight Memorial Service in the Parlor of Central Christian Church and invite you to be a part of this special time if you have lost a child you wish to honor and memorialize.

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 Journey Sunday School Class
will be studying***

Epistle to Titus

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The Epistle to Titus is one of the three pastoral epistles (along with 1 Timothy and 2 Timothy) in the New Testament, historically attributed to Paul the Apostle. It is addressed to Saint Titus and describes the requirements and duties of presbyters/bishops.

Not mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles, Saint Titus was noted in Galatians (cf. Galatians 2:1, 3) where Paul wrote of journeying to Jerusalem with Barnabas, accompanied by Titus. He was then dispatched to Corinth, Greece, where he successfully reconciled the Christian community there with Paul, its founder. Titus was later left on the island of Crete to help organize the Church there, and later met back with the Apostle Paul in Nicopolis. He soon went to Dalmatia (now Croatia). According to Eusebius of Caesarea in the *Ecclesiastical History*, he served as the first bishop of Crete. He was buried in Cortyna (Gortyna), Crete; his head was later removed to Venice during the invasion of Crete by the Saracens in 832 and was enshrined in St Mark's Basilica, Venice, Italy.



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.



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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.

**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 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

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| November 13 | 5pm | Choir |
| November 14 | 5pm | Nominating Committee |
| November 14 | 6pm | Elders Meeting |
| 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 |
| November 25 | 6pm | General Board Meeting |
| November 28 | all day | Thanksgiving Day (office closed) |
| November 29 | all day | office closed |
| November 30 | 10am | Decorate sanctuary |
| December 1 | all day | 1st Sunday of Advent |
| December 4 | 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.

November 2024

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|---|--|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| <p>Potluck Luncheon: Turkey and dressing will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert.</p> | <p>Thanksgiving offering will be taken up on November 17th and 24th</p> | | | | <p>All Saints Day</p> | <p>5pm-7pm Chili Supper and Bake Sale</p> <p>*set clocks and watches back one hour</p> |
| <p>3 Daylight Saving Time Ends 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/All Saints service</p> | <p>4 Veterans Day</p> | <p>5 11:30am CWF 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group</p> | <p>6 5pm Choir</p> | <p>7 5pm Nominating Committee 6pm Elders Meeting</p> | <p>8 7:30am CMF</p> | <p>9 16</p> |
| <p>10 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/Veterans Service</p> | <p>11 Veterans Day</p> | <p>12 11:30am CWF 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group</p> | <p>13 5pm Choir</p> | <p>14 5pm Nominating Committee 6pm Elders Meeting</p> | <p>15 7:30am CMF</p> | <p>16</p> |
| <p>17 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon</p> | <p>18 1pm Book Club</p> | <p>19</p> | <p>20 5pm Choir</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22</p> | <p>23</p> |
| <p>24 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off</p> | <p>25 6pm General Board</p> | <p>26</p> | <p>27</p> | <p>28 Office closed </p> | <p>29 Office closed</p> | <p>30 10am Decorating sanctuary</p> |

November Birthdays

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Donna Nash | 11-7 |
| Sarah Carpenter | 11-9 |
| Carol Ann Tallent | 11-18 |
| Teri Stover | 11-19 |
| Margie Beeson | 11-22 |
| Jon Spears | 11-26 |
| Susan Oates | 11-28 |
| Chad Bennett | 11-30 |
| Justin Fowler | 11-30 |

November Anniversaries

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Herb & Elaine Hamilton | 11-4 |
| Bob & Lynn Wilmoth | 11-13 |
| Nick & Neldajo Mathison | 11-27 |



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

November 3, 2024

Greeters: Robert & Alice Kern
Worship Leader: Lee Nailling
Hospital Elder: Connie Spears
Flower Elder: Jim Spears
Deacons: Mae Kidd & Ethan Cole

November 10, 2024

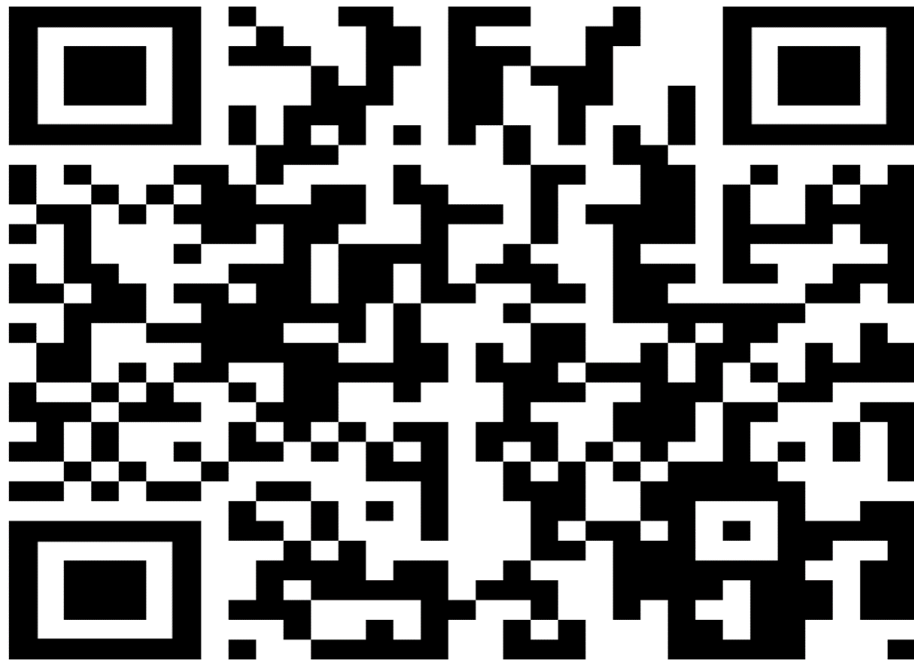
Greeters: Harold & Pat Taylor
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
Deacons: Pat Taylor & Bob Wilmoth

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
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Lois Moore & Judy Shilling



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Prayer Need

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

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
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 17, 2024

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Mike Martin
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
Deacons: Lynn Wilmoth & Glen Hudspeth

November 10, 2024

Attendance: 36
Offering: \$3,666.99

This Sunday:

"Words of Encouragement"

Scripture:

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

LECTIONARY FOR NOVEMBER 17, 2024
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 1:4-20
1 Samuel 2:1-10
Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25
Mark 13:1-8