

# The Central Christian 411

*A Message  
from our Pastor*

**Volume 16, Issue 16**

**April 16, 2025**

## **Luke 24:1-12**

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Have you heard the old saying, “Seeing is believing?” Seems it has always been true, and the disciples were no exception. In the scripture above it was the women who saw the two men in dazzling clothes and without hesitation bowed their faces to the ground knowing they were in the presence of angels. And it was the women who saw the empty tomb and remembered the words of Jesus, “The son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” But when the women reported this to the eleven, who did not see what they saw, “.....these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.”

How unfortunate those who walked with Jesus, heard him speak, learned from him and served him did not believe he had risen. Do you believe he has risen or are you one who needs to see to believe? Remember, it is NOT seeing yet believing that is called Faith.

Do you have faith?

May the God of faith be with you always,   Wes

# Thank you



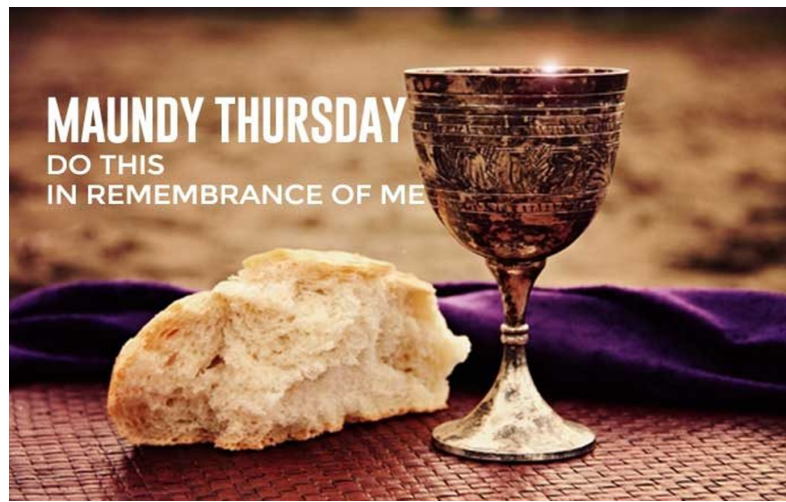
Thanks for all the attention y'all gave me last Sunday. It was wonderful and made a hard decision easier knowing the love and caring I received Sunday was a very loving and humble experience.

When I got home Sunday, I sat on the couch and began opening cards. Thank you for your expressions of love! I shall keep them all and when I get sad and depressed, I will just have to look at them and will instantly feel better.

I Love CCC and all of you.

This is not goodbye but a simple "SEE YA LATER," either in Tyler, Texarkana or when we all join Jesus and our families.

Lee



## Why “Maundy” Thursday?

The Thursday before Easter is known as either Maundy Thursday, or Holy Thursday.

Maundy is derived from the Latin word for "command," and refers to Jesus' commandment to the disciples to

"Love one another as I have loved you."

Join us April 17<sup>TH</sup> for Maundy Thursday, 6 pm



OUR SANCTUARY  
WILL BE OPEN  
FROM  
10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.  
FOR  
PRAYER &  
MEDITATION  
ON  
GOOD FRIDAY  
APRIL 18, 2025



THE  
*CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP*  
*(CMF)*

WILL BE MEETING

**Friday, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**at 7:30 A.M. at**

*Old Tyme Burger Shoppe*

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



E A S T E R   S U N D A Y

is

A P R I L 20<sup>TH</sup>

Bring family and friends as we

CELEBRATE

the resurrection of

our

Lord & Savior!!!

Worship service begins

at 10:40 a.m.



OUR CHURCH OFFICE

WILL BE CLOSED

ON

MONDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>

FOR

EASTER HOLIDAY

AND

WILL REOPEN ON

TUESDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>

HAVE A

BLESSED EASTER!!!



**TUESDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>**

**All TOGETHER now!**

**This is the moment to change it all — the business climate, the political climate, and how we take action on climate. Now is the time for the unstoppable courage to preserve and protect our health, our families, our livelihoods... together, we must Invest in Our Planet.**

**Because a green future is a prosperous future.**

**We need to act (boldly), innovate (broadly), and implement (equitably). It's going to take all of us. All in. Businesses, governments, and citizens — everyone accounted for, and everyone accountable. A partnership for the planet.**

**And while there is still time to solve the climate crisis, time to choose BOTH a prosperous and sustainable future, and time to restore nature and build a healthy planet for our children and their children, time is short.**

**The Earth Day 2025 Theme is Invest in Our Planet.**

**What Will You Do?**

**For Earth Day 2025, together, for everyone, everything, every day...**



APRIL 25, 2025

The United States was one of the first countries in the world to celebrate Arbor Day, a holiday dedicated to tree planting.

National Arbor Day in the USA is celebrated on the last Friday in April. Besides, each state celebrates its own state tree planting holiday. Arbor Day was founded by Julius Sterling Morton, a Nebraska newspaper editor, agriculturalist and statesman. Morton was a respected agriculturalist fascinated with trees he planted numerous trees on his estate.

Currently, his former mansion and estate serve as Arbor Lodge State Historical Park. Morton came up with the idea of celebrating Arbor Day in the early 1870s. The first celebration was held in Nebraska on April 10, 1872.

Its participants planted an estimated one million trees throughout the state. By the 1920s, each state had passed laws that stipulated a certain day to be state Arbor Day. In some states, the holiday was named Arbor and Bird Day. In Nebraska, Arbor Day is a civic holiday. National Arbor Day in the United States was established as a state holiday in 1885. It was moved from April 10 (its original date proposed by Morton) to April 22 (Morton's birthday). In 1989, the holiday was moved to the last Friday in April. On this day, Americans are encouraged to plant trees, bushes, and plants (if weather conditions allow) and care for their national environment.



**SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025**

**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, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup>

WE WILL HAVE OUR

CABINET MEETING

AT 6 P.M.

IF YOU ARE ANY OF THE

FOLLOWING, YOU ARE ON THE

CABINET:

Moderator, Vice Moderator, Board Secretary,  
Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The Chair  
of each Committee, President of CMF & CWF.



Mental Health Awareness Month (also referred to as Mental Health Month) has been observed in May in the United States since 1949. The month is observed with media, local events, and film screenings.

Mental Health Awareness Month began in the United States in 1949 and was started by:

Mental Health America (MHA)

(then known as the National Association for Mental Health).

Each year in mid-March Mental Health America releases a *toolkit of materials* to guide preparation for outreach activities during Mental Health Awareness Month.

During the month of May, MHA, its affiliates, and other organizations interested in mental health conduct a number of activities which are based on a different theme each year.



***The Journey Sunday School Class  
will be studying***

## **Gospel of Mark**

We hope you will join us  
for this important study.

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

Most scholars date Mark to closely after AD 70. They reject the traditional ascription to Mark the Evangelist, the companion of the Apostle Peter, which probably arose from the desire of early Christians to link the work to an authoritative figure, and believe it to be the work of an author working with various sources including collections of miracle stories, controversy stories, parables, and a passion narrative. It was traditionally placed second, and sometimes fourth, in the Christian canon, as an inferior abridgement of what was regarded as the most important gospel, Matthew. The Church has consequently derived its view of Jesus primarily from Matthew, secondarily from John, and only distantly from Mark. It was only in the 19th century that Mark came to be seen as the earliest of the four gospels, and as a source used by both Matthew and Luke. The hypothesis of Marcan priority (that Mark was written first) continues to be held by the majority of scholars today, and there is a new recognition of the author as an artist and theologian using a range of literary devices to convey his conception of Jesus as the authoritative yet suffering Son of God.



The **TNT** Sunday School Class  
is continuing its study of

**LETTER TO THE ROMANS**

We study various books of the Bible  
and recently completed

**NEHEMIAH**

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, Jim Spears, 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.

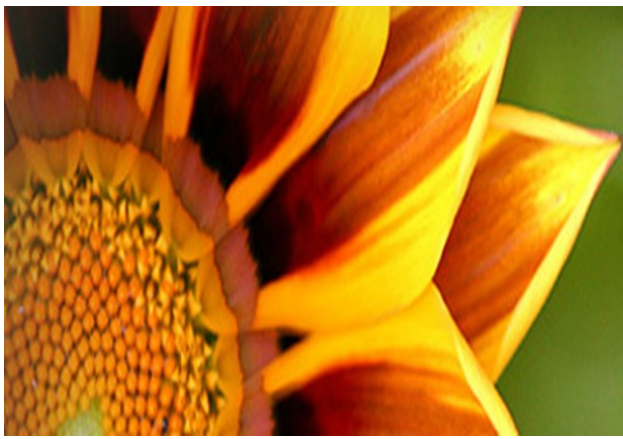
REMEMBER:

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.

## 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 ccctxx 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,

## Upcoming Events & Services

<b>April 16</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>April 17</b>	6pm	Maundy Thursday service
<b>April 18</b>	all day	Good Friday
<b>April 18</b>	7:30am	CMF @ Old Time Burger
<b>April 18</b>	10am-2pm	Sanctuary open for prayer and meditation
<b>April 20</b>	all day	Easter Sunday w/Easter offering
<b>April 21</b>	all day	office closed
<b>April 26</b>	1:30pm	Bingo
<b>April 27</b>	4pm	Randy Sams prep
<b>April 27</b>	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
<b>April 28</b>	6pm	Cabinet Meeting
<b>April 30</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>May 4</b>	11:45am	Fellowship Committee meeting
<b>May 7</b>	5pm	Choir
<b>May 11</b>	all day	Mother's Day



Be sure to keep up-to-date  
with Church Activities

By visiting

[www.ccctxk.com](http://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.**

# April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon: Fellowship Committee is providing ham and rolls. Please bring other dishes to fill in.	Easter Offering will be taken up on April 13th and 20th	1	2 5pm Choir	3	4 3pm Easter Lily order forms due	5
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	7	8 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	9 5pm Choir	10	11	12 10:30am-5pm Disciple Hall reserved
Palm Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	14 1pm Book Club	15	16 5pm Choir	17 6pm Maundy Thursday service	18 Good Friday 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger 10am-2pm Sanctuary open for prayer and meditation	19
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27	28	29	30			

## April Birthdays

Judy Shilling	04-03
Jeffrey Turner	04-07
Lynn Wilmoth	04-13
Jennifer Watson	04-25
Stan Brummal	04-27
Nancy Thompson	04-28
Sarah Launius	04-28
Jordan Lumpkin	04-28
Robert Kern	04-29

## April Anniversaries

Wes & Laura Byas	04-07
Chad & Jamie Bennett	04-24

## Servers for the Weeks Ahead

### April 6, 2025

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter  
Worship Leader: Troy Kern  
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears  
Flower Elder: Connie Spears  
Deacons: Glen Hudspeth & Judy Shilling

### April 13, 2025

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

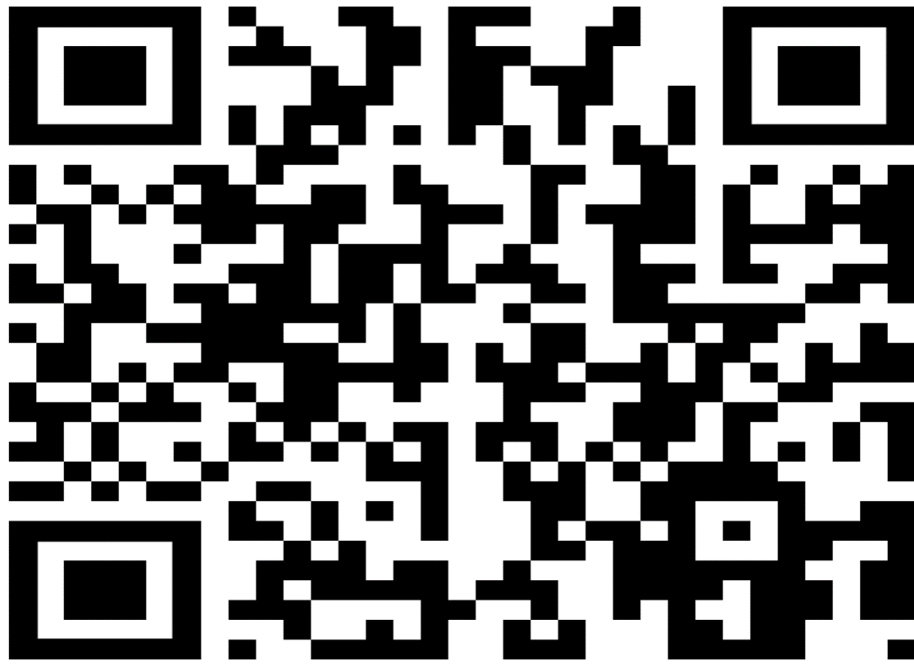
### April 20, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas  
Worship Leader: Mike Lamb  
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.  
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
Deacons: Sheri Thomas & Glenda Burkhart

### April 27, 2025

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth  
Worship Leader: Sheri Thomas  
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter  
Flower Elder: Joan Carter  
Deacons: Jack Duncan & Ethan Cole





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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  
Glenda Burkhart  
Mike Worley  
Rhonda Hunter, friend of George & Julia Carpenter  
Gaylen Ramsey, Neldajo's son-in-law  
John Beeson

## Ongoing Concerns

Dorothy Alves  
Laura Byas  
Joe Alves  
Richard Martin  
Randy Thomas, Jerry Thomas' brother  
Larry Moore, Mack Thomas' uncle  
Lonnie Hale, friend of Jerry Thomas  
Marie Barfoot, friend of Julia Carpenter  
Ellen Allard, Glenda Burkhart's sister-in-law  
Glenda Worley  
Emily Smith, Wes' niece  
Jeanne Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister  
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., The Cottages at Texarkana, Building 4, Room 6  
Margie Beeson, Golden Villa in Atlanta Room 404  
Betty Caudle, home  
Elizabeth Cooney, home  
Herb 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**  
**April 20, 2025**

**Greeters:** Jerry & Sheri Thomas

**Worship Leader:** Mike Lamb

**Hospital Elder:** George Carpenter, Jr.

**Flower Elder:** Julia Carpenter

**Deacons:** Sheri Thomas & Glenda Burkhart

**April 13, 2025**

**Attendance:** 35

**Offering:** \$5,788.25

**This Sunday:**

***"PERPLEXED"***

**Scripture:**

**Luke 24:1-12**

***LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 20, 2025***  
***Easter Sunday***

**Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

**1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43**

**John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12**



**Change of  
Address**

***Lee Nailling***  
***552 Towne Oaks Drive***  
***Tyler, TX 75701***