

The Central Christian 411



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Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them and be their God;

⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also, he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶ Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

There are few passages in the Book of Revelation giving us anything but death and destruction, curses and blessings and a feeling of fear. However, in this passage we do see *hope*. We are told of a NEW place where God will dwell with His people and wipe away every tear from their eyes. A place where death will be no more. Unfortunately, those who read the book in its entirety cannot help but wonder if they will be among those who live in such a place. If you are one who wonders remember Paul’s words: For I am convinced neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God.

You are God’s and God loves you.....always, Wes



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
CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, MAY 16TH

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



COMING
MAY 17TH!
OUR ANNUAL
FISH FRY & AUCTION!

Tickets: \$20 Adults/\$10 Kids 10>

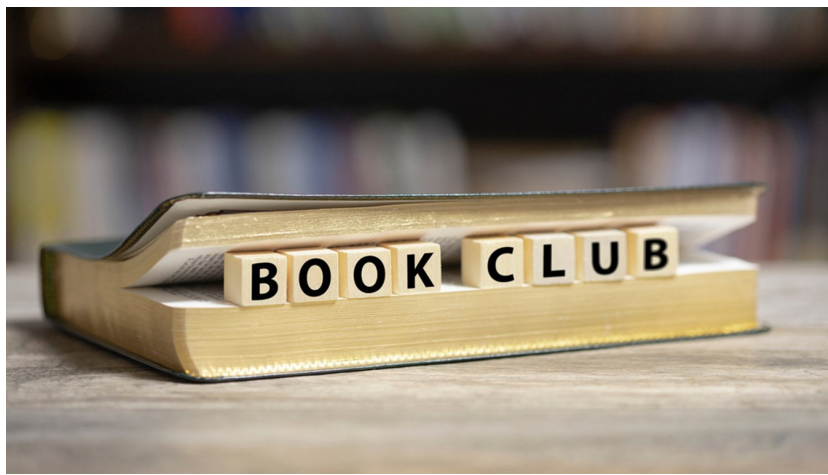
Doors Open at 6 pm

Begin Serving at 6:30 pm

For Auction: Bring New Items in Advance.

*Bring Baked Goods
on Day of Auction.*

AUCTION WILL INCLUDE 2 DALLAS
COWBOYS TICKETS!



ON MONDAY, MAY 19th
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
TO DISCUSS

DRAGON TEETH: A NOVEL

BY

Michael Crichton

The year is 1876. Warring Indian tribes still populate America's western territories even as lawless gold-rush towns begin to mark the landscape. In much of the country it is still illegal to espouse evolution. Against this backdrop two monomaniacal paleontologists pillage the Wild West, hunting for dinosaur fossils, while surveilling, deceiving and sabotaging each other in a rivalry that will come to be known as the Bone Wars.

Into this treacherous territory plunges the arrogant and entitled William Johnson, a Yale student with more privilege than sense. Determined to survive a summer in the west to win a bet against his arch-rival, William has joined world-renowned paleontologist Othniel Charles Marsh on his latest expedition. But when the paranoid and secretive Marsh becomes convinced that William is spying for his nemesis, Edwin Drinker Cope, he abandons him in Cheyenne, Wyoming, a locus of crime and vice. William is forced to join forces with Cope and soon stumbles upon a discovery of historic proportions. With this extraordinary treasure, however, comes exceptional danger, and William's newfound resilience will be tested in his struggle to protect his cache, which pits him against some of the West's most notorious characters.

A page-turner that draws on both meticulously researched history and an exuberant imagination, *Dragon Teeth* is based on the rivalry between real-life paleontologists Cope and Marsh; in William Johnson readers will find an inspiring hero only Michael Crichton could have imagined. Perfectly paced and brilliantly plotted, this enormously winning adventure is destined to become another Crichton classic.



Board Meeting

THERE WILL BE A
GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY

MAY 19TH

AT 6 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY

IMPORTANT SO ALL

BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE

PRESENT.



THERE WILL BE AN
ELDERS MEETING
ON TUESDAY,
MAY 20TH
AT 6 PM
IN THE
COMMUNITY ROOM.
WE WOULD LIKE
ALL ELDERS
TO BE PRESENT.



SUNDAY, MAY 25, 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.'**



MAY 26th IS MEMORIAL DAY

*We walked among the crosses
Where our fallen soldiers lay.
And listened to the bugle
As TAPS began to play.
The Chaplain led a prayer
We stood with heads bowed low.
And I thought of fallen comrades I had known so long ago.
They came from every city
Across this fertile land.
That we might live in freedom.
They lie here 'neath the sand.
I felt a little guilty
My sacrifice was small.
I only lost a little time
But these men lost their all.
Now the services are over
For this Memorial Day.
To the names upon these crosses, I just want to say,
Thanks for what you've given
No one could ask for more.
May you rest with God in heaven
From now through evermore.*



THE CHURCH OFFICE

WILL BE CLOSED

MONDAY, MAY 26TH

FOR

MEMORIAL DAY

AND

WILL REOPEN ON

TUESDAY, MAY 27TH

HAVE A BLESSED

MEMORIAL DAY!!!



***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.

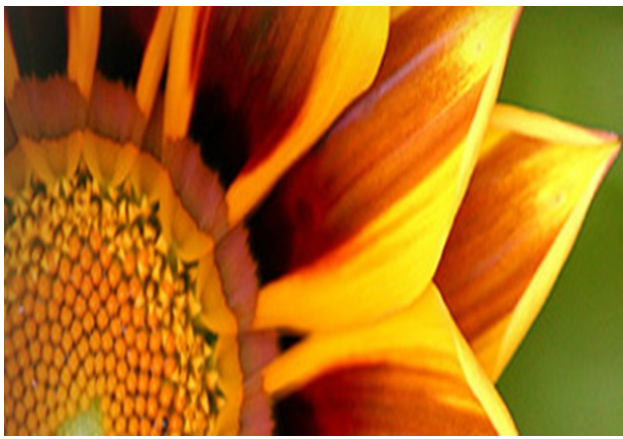
REMEMBER:

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 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

May 16	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
May 17	6pm	Fish Fry and Auction
May 18	11:45am	Stewardship Committee
May 19	1pm	Book Club
May 19	6pm	General Board
May 20	6pm	Elders Meeting
May 25	4pm	Randy Sams prep
May 25	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
May 26	all day	Memorial Day/office closed
June 1	10:40am	Pentecost offering
June 7	1:30pm	Bingo
June 8	all day	Pentecost
June 8	10:40am	Pentecost offering
June 9	1pm	Book Club
June 10	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group



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.

May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 11:30am CWF
4 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Called Board Mtg 12pm Fellowship Comm	5 4pm Events Committee	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	12	13 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	14	15	16 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	17 Fish Fry and Auction 6pm Doors open 6:30pm Food served
18 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Stewardship Comm	19 1pm Book Club 6pm General Board	20 6pm Elders Meeting	21	22	23	24
25 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	26 Memorial Day Office closed	27	28	29	30	31

May Birthdays

Bob Wilmoth	05-09
Richard Martin	05-13
Isabelle Fowler	05-13
Gabriel Fowler	05-16
Richard Burkhart	05-17
Diane Pope-King	05-20
Nick (Cowboy) Mathison	05-23
Aaron Dodd	05-24
Midge Cooney	05-28
Wes Byas	05-28
John Beeson	05-29

May Anniversaries

Richard & Glenda Burkhart 05-03



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

May 4, 2025

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter
 Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears
 Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Troy Kern

May 11, 2025

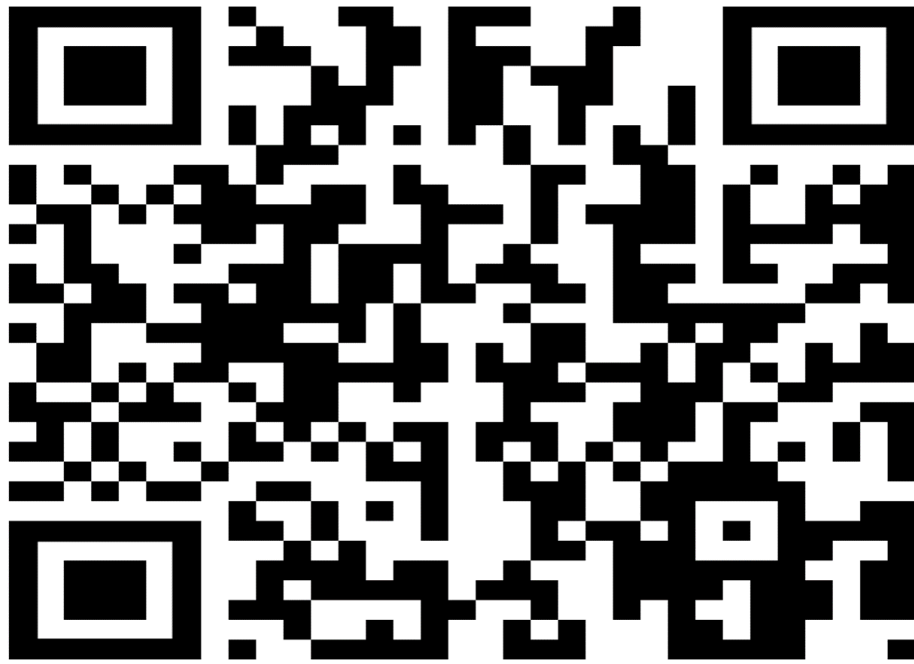
Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow
 Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
 Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
 Flower Elder: Alice Kern
 Deacons: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore

May 18, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
 Worship Leader: Mike Martin
 Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
 Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
 Deacons: Alice Kern & Robert Kern

May 25, 2025

Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Glenda Burkhart
 Worship Leader: Teresa Crow
 Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
 Flower Elder: Joan Carter
 Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Judy Shilling



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Claudine Brown
Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister
Michael Lamb, Jr.
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister
Glenda Burkhart
Mike Worley
John Beeson

Ongoing Concerns

Dorothy Alves
Laura Byas
Joe Alves
Gaylen Ramsey, Neldajo's son-in-law
Rhonda Hunter, friend of George & Julia Carpenter
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., home
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
May 18, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas

Worship Leader: Mike Martin

Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth

Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth

Deacons: Alice Kern & Robert Kern

May 11, 2025

Attendance: 32

Offering: \$6,049.25

This Sunday:

"Inventors of Evil"

Scripture:

Romans 1:28-32

LECTIONARY FOR MAY 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Revelation 21:1-6

John 13:31-35