

# The Central Christian 411



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## **Genesis 11:1-9**

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup> And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup> And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and fire them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup> Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise, we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." <sup>5</sup> The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. <sup>6</sup> And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing they propose to do will now be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup> Come, let us go down and confuse their language there, so they will not understand one another's speech." <sup>8</sup> So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup> Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth, and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Teammates of the late Willie Stargell called him "Pops" because of his leadership both on and off the baseball field. In 1979, when Stargell led the Pittsburgh Pirates to their second World Series title, the team was nicknamed "The Family" because of their close relationship and the song, "We Are Family" became popular because of this team.

"We won, we lived, and we enjoyed as one," Stargell said. "We molded together dozens of different individuals into one working force. We were products of different races, were raised in different income brackets, but in the clubhouse and on the field, we were one."

Does that describe us as followers of Christ? When God's family assembles in heaven, it will include believers "out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation." What a wonderful gathering that will be! Until then, we are instructed "to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." How can we do that? By living "with all lowliness and gentleness, with long suffering, bearing with one another in love."

As Christians, we are incredibly different and diverse. But we are family. God calls us to lay aside prejudice, self-interest, and pride as we work toward a supernatural unity that honors Him.

May the God of ALL be with you,

Wes



## JUNE 5, 2025

World Environment Day (WED) is celebrated annually on 5 June and encourages awareness and action for the protection of the environment. It is supported by many non-governmental organizations, businesses, government entities, and represents the primary United Nations outreach day supporting the environment.

First held in 1974, it has been a platform for raising awareness on environmental issues as marine pollution, overpopulation, global warming, sustainable development and wildlife crime. World Environment Day is a global platform for public outreach, with participation from over 143 countries annually, including participation from:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, India, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, the Philippines, Poland,

South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, Thailand and the United States.

Every year, the program has provided a theme and forum for businesses, non-government organizations, communities, politicians and stars to advocate environmental causes.



JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>

IN THE

COMMUNITY ROOM

From 1:30 to 3:30 PM

Fun4theBrain

Y'ALL COME!!



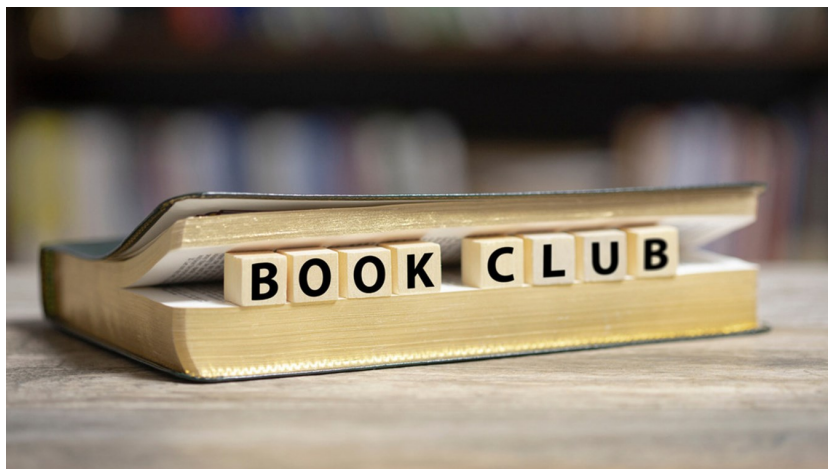
**JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>**

**IS**

**PENTECOST  
SUNDAY!**

**BE SURE TO WEAR  
RED**

**FOR THIS CELEBRATION OF THE  
HOLY SPIRIT.**



**ON MONDAY, JUNE 9<sup>th</sup>**

**THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.**

**IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.**

**TO DISCUSS**

**THE BOOK WOMAN OF TROUBLESOME CREEK**

**BY**

**KIM MICHELE RICHARDSON**

The hardscrabble folks of Troublesome Creek have to scrap for everything—everything except books, that is. Thanks to Roosevelt's Kentucky Pack Horse Library Project, Troublesome's got its very own traveling librarian, Cussy Mary Carter.

Cussy's not only a book woman, however, she's also the last of her kind, her skin a shade of blue unlike most anyone else. Not everyone is keen on Cussy's family or the Library Project, and a Blue is often blamed for any whiff of trouble. If Cussy wants to bring the joy of books to the hill folks, she's going to have to confront prejudice as old as the Appalachias and suspicion as deep as the holler.

Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere—even back home.



HOPE REMAINS WILL MEET TUESDAY,

JUNE 10<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.





THURSDAY, JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>, IS WOMEN VETERANS DAY!

Women Veterans Day is observed on June 12 in the United States, a date chosen to mark the anniversary of the **Women's Armed Services Integration Act**. The date is not recognized nationally, but is recognized by a number of states, either through legislation or proclamation, and organizations. The stated goal of Women Veterans Day varies somewhat by state, but can generally be acknowledged as an effort to honor the work of women in the **United States Armed Forces** and recognize the unique challenges that they have faced. The date was first recognized when the New York State Assembly declared June 12, 2008, to be Women Veterans' Recognition Day.



FATHER'S DAY

IS

SUNDAY, JUNE 15<sup>th</sup>

MAKE PLANS NOW TO BRING YOUR  
DAD!

WE WILL HAVE A POTLUCK  
LUNCHEON AFTER WORSHIP!





SUNDAY, JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

A-H MEAT

I-Z VEGETABLE OR SALAD

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!

# JUNE TEENTH

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2025

Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Cel-Liberation Day or the Black Fourth of July, is an American holiday that commemorates June 19, 1865.

On this day, after almost two and half years since the implementation of the Emancipation Proclamation, enslaved African Americans were informed of their liberation from the slavery present in the former Confederate States of America. Texas was the most remote of the slave states, and the Emancipation Proclamation of January 1, 1863, was not enforced there until after the Civil War had ended. The name of the observance is a portmanteau of "June" and "nineteenth", the date of its celebration.

At first celebrations involved church-centered community gatherings in Texas. It spread across the South and became more commercialized in the 1920s and 1930s. Often the centerpiece was a food festival. A third stage was reached in the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s, when the focus became the story of struggle for postwar civil rights. The 1970s saw a fourth stage, which returned the focus to African American freedom and arts. By the 21st century Juneteenth was celebrated in most major cities across the United States. Activists are pushing Congress to recognize Juneteenth as a national holiday. Juneteenth is recognized as a state holiday or special day of observance in 46 of the 50 states.

Observance is primarily in local celebrations. Traditions include public readings of the Emancipation Proclamation, singing traditional songs such as "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing", and reading of works by noted African-American writers such as Ralph Ellison and Maya Angelou. Celebrations include rodeos, street fairs, cookouts, family reunions, park parties, historical reenactments, or Miss Juneteenth contests.



THE  
*CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP*  
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, **JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>**

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

*Old Tyme Burger Shoppe*

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



**SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 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.**

**John 13:34-35**

**I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."**

# Cabinet Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 23<sup>rd</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.





SUNDAY, JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>, IS OUR  
5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY  
BREAKFAST!

ALL THOSE WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE  
(AND WE HOPE ALL OF YOU DO)

PLEASE BRING A  
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FOOD ITEM

COME JOIN US AT 9:30 A.M. IN

BREAKING BREAD

AS WE CELEBRATE

OUR LORD



***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

June 5	all day	World Environment Day
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
June 12	all day	Women Veterans Day
June 15	all day	Father's Day
June 15	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
June 19	all day	Juneteenth
June 20	all day	World Refugee Day
June 20	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
June 22	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
June 22	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
June 23	6pm	Cabinet Meeting



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.**



# June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Congregational Mtg.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>World Environment Day</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>1:30pm-3:30pm Bingo</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Pentecost Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service</p>	<p>9</p> <p>1pm Book Club</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Women Veterans Day</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Father's Day 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</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Juneteenth</p>	<p>20</p> <p>World Refugee Day 7:30am CME @ Old Tyme Burger</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6pm Cabinet Meeting</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>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/salad</p>	<p>Pentecost offering taken up on June 1st and 8th</p>

## June Birthdays

Jane Watson	6-01
Lisa Kern	6-15
Glenda Worley	6-16
Alan Bennett	6-28
Angela Duddy	6-28
Betsy Spencer	6-29

## June Anniversaries

James & Nancy Thompson	6-05
Stan & Pat Brummal	6-20
Alan & Janet Bennett	6-23



## Servers for the Weeks Ahead

### June 1, 2025

Greeters: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore  
Worship Leader: Mike Lamb  
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears  
Flower Elder: Connie Spears  
Deacons: George Carpenter, Jr. & Julia Carpenter

### June 8, 2025

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter  
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman  
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern  
Flower Elder: Alice Kern  
Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Lynn Wilmoth

### June 15, 2025

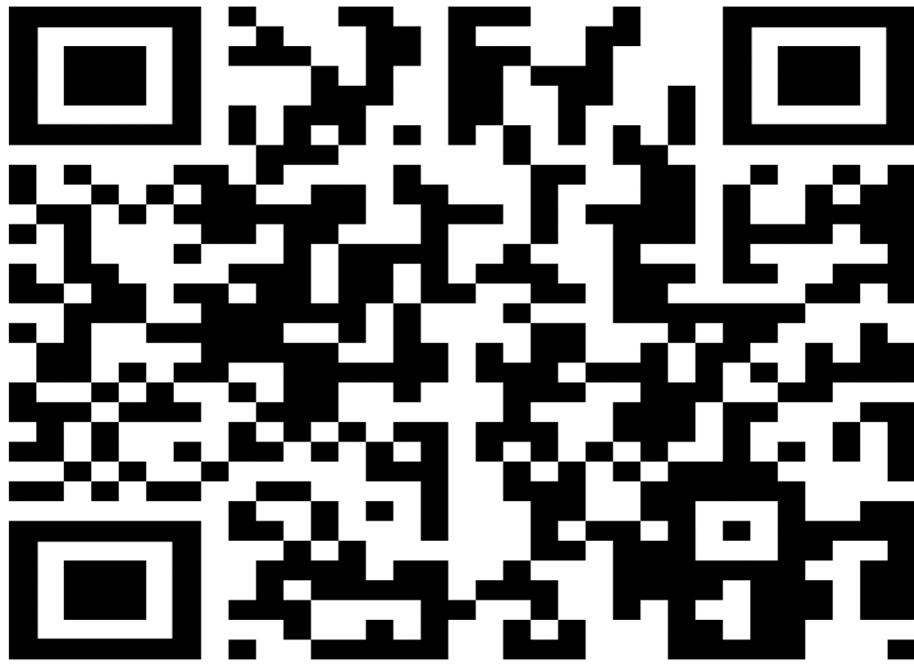
Greeters: Robert & Alice Kern  
Worship Leader: Bob Wilmoth  
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.  
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter  
Deacons: Jamie Bennett & Sheri Thomas

### June 22, 2025

Greeters: Ethan Cole & Alice Coleman  
Worship Leader: Jim Spears  
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow  
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow  
Deacons: Glenda Burkhart & Mae Kidd

### June 29, 2025

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth  
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell  
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter  
Flower Elder: Joan Carter  
Deacons: Glen Hudspeth & Tami Hudspeth



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*OUR*  
*CHURCH VIDEO!*

*SHOW*  
*FRIENDS AND FAMILY.*

# Weekly Info

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## Prayer Need

Our Church  
Wes Byas  
Barbara DePriest, Valerie DePriest's mother-in-law  
Jane Watson  
Claudine Brown  
Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister  
Michael Lamb, Jr.  
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister  
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., Encompass Rehab Room 256B  
Margie Beeson, Golden Villa in Atlanta Room 404  
Betty Caudle, home  
Elizabeth Cooney, home  
Herb Hamilton, Little River Nursing & Rehab Rm. 117  
James Thompson, home  
Susie Howdeshell, home  
Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 207  
Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life



**Serving this Sunday**  
**June 8, 2025**

**Greeters:** Jack & Joan Carter  
**Worship Leader:** Alice Coleman  
**Hospital Elder:** Robert Kern  
**Flower Elder:** Alice Kern  
**Deacons:** Bob Wilmoth & Lynn Wilmoth

**June 1, 2025**

**Attendance:** 31  
**Offering:** \$2,005.70

**This Sunday:**

***"Bringing God's People Together"***

**Scripture:**

**Acts 2:1-21**

**LECTIONARY FOR JUNE 8, 2025**

***Day of Pentecost***

**Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9**  
**Psalms 104:24-34, 35b**  
**Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21**  
**John 14:8-17, (25-27)**