

The Central Christian 411



*A Message
from our Pastor*

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Luke 16:1-13

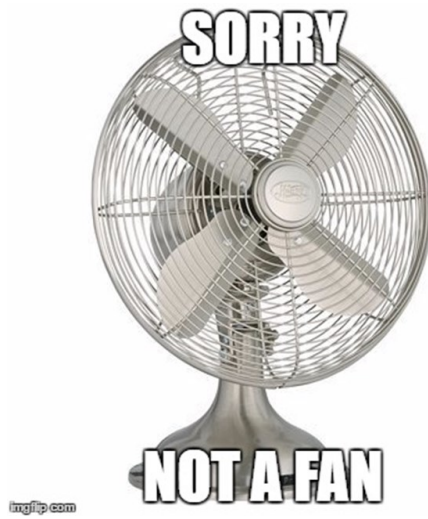
Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewdly in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No one can serve two masters, for he will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Jesus is relentless when it comes to serving God and only God. So often we want to have it our way AND God’s way only to find the two are diametrically opposed. For example, we may want to cheat just a bit on our financial obligations and yet be honest in the eyes of God. How can that ever happen? Well, of course, it can’t.

Serving God will always be the right path. As Jesus says, “No one can serve two masters.” Who is your master?

May the God of love and truth be with you always, Wes



PLEASE BE SURE YOU **NEVER** SET ANY
THERMOSTAT ON “**FAN**” MODE. IT
WILL **NEVER** CUT OFF, AND
THEREFORE **RUN 24/7**, WHICH RUNS
OUR ELECTRIC BILL **SKY HIGH**. WE
FOUND A THERMOSTAT ON **FAN** THAT
HAS BEEN RUNNING FOR NEARLY A
YEAR.

PLEASE **NEVER** USE “**FAN**” MODE,
JUST AUTO.



THE
CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
(CMF)

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, **SEPT. 19TH**

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

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

WE HAVE OUR

MONTHLY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

OUR

WORSHIP SERVICE

A-H VEGETABLE OR SALAD

I-Z MEAT

BE SURE TO ATTEND THIS VERY

SPECIAL MEAL TO CELEBRATE

GOD'S BLESSINGS!



Board Meeting

THERE WILL BE A
GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 22nd

AT 6 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY

IMPORTANT SO ALL

BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE

PRESENT.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 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. ³⁵ By this everyone will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."



OCTOBER 4th

IN THE

COMMUNITY ROOM

From 1:30 to 3:30 PM

Fun4theBrain

Y'ALL COME!!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th IS

World Communion Sunday

which is a celebration observed

by

Christian denominations,

taking place on the

First Sunday of every October,

that promotes Christian unity

and ecumenical cooperation.

It focuses on an observance of the
eucharist.



World Mental Health Day (10 October) is an international day for global mental health education, awareness and advocacy against social stigma. It was first celebrated in 1992 at the initiative of the World Federation for Mental Health, a global mental health organization with members and contacts in more than 150 countries. This day, each October, thousands of supporters come to celebrate this annual awareness program to bring attention to mental illness and its major effects on people's lives worldwide. In addition, this day provides an opportunity for mental health professionals to discuss and shed light on their work, making mental health a priority worldwide. In some countries this day is part of an awareness week, such as Mental Health Week in Australia.



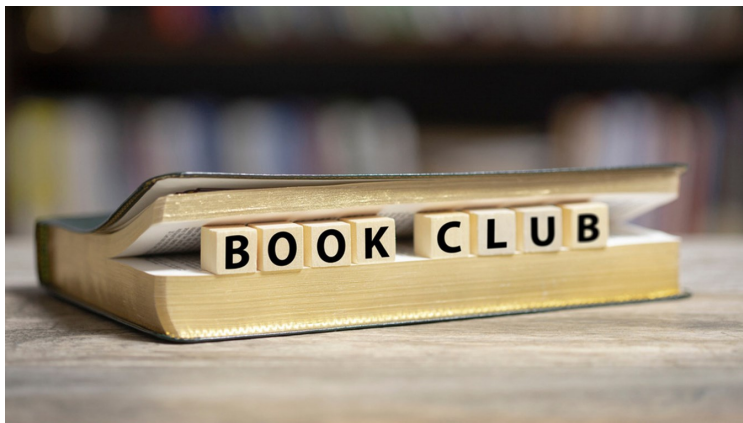
Week of Ministry 2025

October 12 - October 18

**Honoring and celebrating the call to
ministry since 1933.**

Week of Ministry was created by Pension Fund to provide resources for congregations and ministry workers to:

- Show appreciation for those in ministry.
- Encourage congregations to celebrate their pastor.
- Foster relationships among ministry peers.
- Support and encourage those who might be interested in a ministry career in the future.



ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
TO DISCUSS

THE LOST BOOK SHOP

BY

EVIE WOODS

On a quiet street in Dublin, a lost bookshop is waiting to be found...

For too long, Opaline, Martha and Henry have been the side characters in their own lives.

But when a vanishing bookshop casts its spell, these three unsuspecting strangers will discover that their own stories are every bit as extraordinary as the ones found in the pages of their beloved books. And by unlocking the secrets of the shelves, they find themselves transported to a world of wonder... where nothing is as it seems.



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

1 Corinthians

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The First Epistle to the Corinthians is one of the Pauline epistles, part of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The epistle is attributed to Paul the Apostle and a co-author, Sosthenes, and is addressed to the Christian church in Corinth. Scholars believe that Sosthenes was the amanuensis who wrote down the text of the letter at Paul's direction. It addresses various issues which had arisen in the Christian community at Corinth and is composed in a form of Koine Greek. Despite the name, it is not believed to be the first such letter written to the Corinthian church.



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

LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

We study various books of the Bible
and recently completed

THE BOOK OF MALACHI

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/)



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

| | | |
|---------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| September 19 | 7:30am | CMF @ Old Tyme Burger |
| September 21 | 11:45am | Potluck Luncheon |
| September 22 | 6pm | General Board Meeting |
| September 28 | 10:40am | Reconciliation offering |
| September 28 | 11:45am | Outreach Committee |
| September 28 | 4pm | Randy Sams Prep |
| September 28 | 6pm | Randy Sams drop off |
| October 4 | 1:30pm | Bingo |
| October 5 | all day | World Communion Sunday |
| October 5 | 10:40am | Reconciliation offering |
| October 10 | all day | World Mental Health Day |
| October 12-18 | all week | Week of Ministry |
| October 13 | 1pm | Book Club |
| October 14 | 6pm | Hope Remains Grief Support Group |
| October 17 | 7:30am | CMF @ Old Tyme Burger |



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.

September 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---------------------------------|--|---|-----|--|----------------|
| Reconciliation offering will be taken up on September 28th. | 1 Labor Day Office closed | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Fellowship Comm. | 8 1pm Book Club | 9 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group | 10 World Suicide Preven- tion Day | 11 | 12 | 13 11am CWF |
| 14 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Property Comm. | 15 | 16 5pm Steering Committee | 17 | 18 | 19 7:30am CMF @Old Tyme Burger | 20 |
| 21 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon | 22 6pm General Board | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Outreach Meeting 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off | 29 | 30 | | | Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Vegetable/salad I-Z: Meat | |

September Birthdays

| | |
|-----------------|------|
| Jack Duncan | 9-4 |
| Philip Stover | 9-7 |
| Dorothy Alves | 9-8 |
| Jack Carter | 9-11 |
| Julia Carpenter | 9-16 |
| Teresa Crow | 9-18 |
| Sondra Bedwell | 9-20 |
| Jack Fisher | 9-27 |

September Anniversaries

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|---------------------|-----|
| Robert & Alice Kern | 9-7 |
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Servers for the Weeks Ahead

September 7, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhardt
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
Deacons: Mae Kidd & Sheri Thomas

September 14, 2025

Greeters: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore
Worship Leader: Troy Kern
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Glenda Burkhardt & Sondra Bedwell

September 21, 2025

Greeters: Glenda Burkhardt & Judy Shilling
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
Deacons: Ethan Cole & Bob Wilmoth

September 28, 2025

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter
Worship Leader: Sheri Thomas
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Glen Hudspeth & Jamie Bennett



October 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|-----|-----|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable/salad | Reconciliation offering will be taken up on October 5th | Week of Ministry October 12-18 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 1:30pm Bingo |
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October Birthdays

| | |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Kelly Cunningham | 10-1 |
| Kelley Folmar | 10-9 |
| Sondra Crain | 10-12 |
| Alice Coleman | 10-18 |
| Sharon Minx | 10-20 |
| David Defoy | 10-22 |
| Beth Brine | 10-27 |
| Annette Wilmoth | 10-31 |
| October Anniversaries | |
| George & Julia Carpenter | 10-18 |



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

October 5, 2025

Greeters: Tom & Teresa Crow
Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
Flower Elder: Connie Spears
Deacons: Judy Shilling & Robert Kern

October 12, 2025

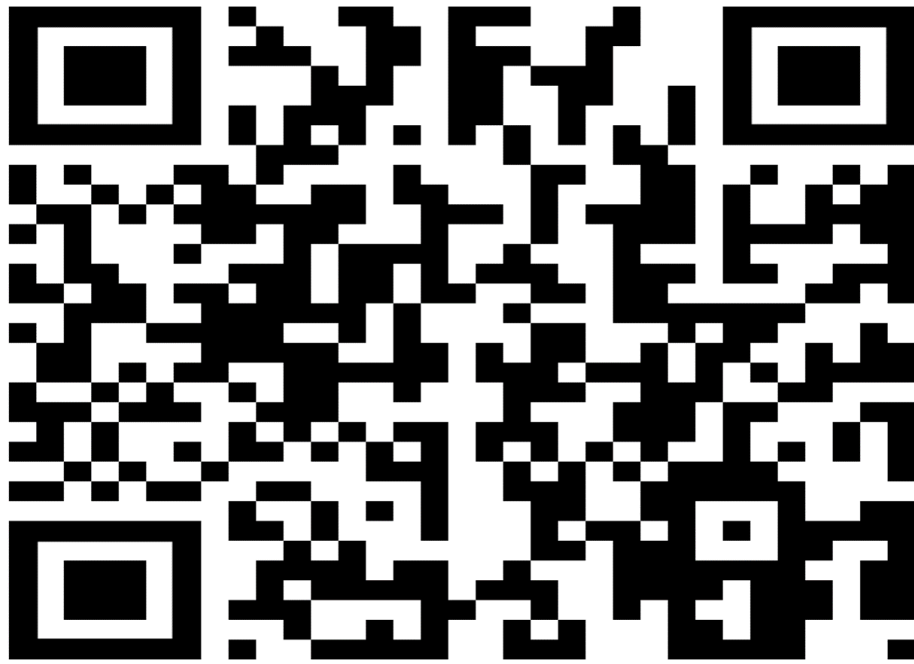
Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter
Worship Leader: Mike Lamb
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Jamie Bennett & Mae Kidd

October 19, 2025

Greeters: Troy & Patia Kern
Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
Deacons: Sheri Thomas & Glenda Burkhart

October 26, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Tom Crow
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Jack Duncan & Ethan Cole



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Family of Marie Barfoot, friend of Julia Carpenter
David Foley
Mike Lamb
Bruce Beeson, John Beeson's son
Sharon Minx
Lynn Wilmoth
Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister

Ongoing Concerns

Laura Byas
Richanna Minx Whitehead, Rusty & Sharon Minx's daughter
Kathy Syllar, friend of Connie Spears
Rhonda Hunter, friend of George & Julia Carpenter
Randy Thomas, Jerry Thomas' brother
Lonnie Hale, friend of Jerry Thomas
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

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home
Margie Beeson
Betty Caudle, home
Elizabeth Cooney, home
Jane Watson
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
September 21, 2025

Greeters: Glenda Burkhart & Judy Shilling
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Ethan Cole & Bob Wilmoth

September 14, 2025

Attendance: 30
Offering: \$89.25

This Sunday:

"IS ANYTHING TOO WONDERFUL?"

Scripture:

Genesis 18:1-15

LECTIONARY FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Psalm 79:1-9
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13