

The Central Christian 411



*A Message
from our Pastor*

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Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So, I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

In our lives so many of us see ourselves as a Pastor, Judge, Postal Worker, Parent, Admin. Asst., or whatever we see our role as in life. However, if we are followers of Jesus, if we call ourselves Christians, then we should see ourselves as shepherds. Notice God says, "I will raise up shepherds," not "A" shepherd. When we become members of a church family we become shepherds. That's not JUST for the Pastor, Elder, Deacon, or others in positions with committees or church organizations. Once we say, YES to God, we become a shepherd. It is all too easy to let others do all the work of the church, but is incumbent upon each and every one of us to take up our cross and do the work of Christ.

Have you allowed God to raise you up to be a shepherd?

May the God of righteousness fill you with His love and justice,



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

WE WILL HAVE A

**CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**

TO DISCUSS

POSSIBLE SELLING

of

CHURCH BUILDINGS



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 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."



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH, 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)



OUR CHURCH OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH
FOR THE
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
AND
WILL REOPEN ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1ST
HAVE A VERY HAPPY
THANKSGIVING
HOLIDAY!!!



SATURDAY

November 29th

AT 10 A.M.

WE WILL BE

DECORATING

OUR

SANCTUARY

FOR

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO HELP.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH,
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".



We will have a

Study

Sunday, 11/30 & Sunday, 12/7

on the

Liturgical Church

Come learn the “Why”

of our colors and symbols

at 5:00 p.m.

in the Community Room

Please bring soup or a salad

So we can break bread together!

See you then!



World AIDS Day, designated on 1 December every year since 1988, is an international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection and mourning those who have died of the disease. The acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) is a life-threatening condition caused by the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). The HIV virus attacks the immune system of the patient and reduces its resistance to other diseases. Government and health officials, non-governmental organizations, and individuals around the world observe the day, often with education on AIDS prevention and control.

World AIDS Day is one of the eleven official global public health campaigns marked by the World Health Organization (WHO), along with World Health Day, World Blood Donor Day, World Immunization Week, World Tuberculosis Day, World No Tobacco Day, World Malaria Day, World Hepatitis Day, World Antimicrobial Awareness Week, World Patient Safety Day and World Chagas Disease Day.

As of 2020, AIDS has killed between 27.2 million and 47.8 million people worldwide, and an estimated 37.7 million people are living with HIV, making it one of the most important global public health issues in recorded history. Thanks to recent improved access to antiretroviral treatment in many regions of the world, the death rate from AIDS epidemic has decreased by 64% since its peak in 2004 (1.9 million in 2004, compared to 680 000 in 2020).



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th

WE WILL HAVE OUR

ANNUAL

ADVENT

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

IMMEDIATELY AFTER OUR

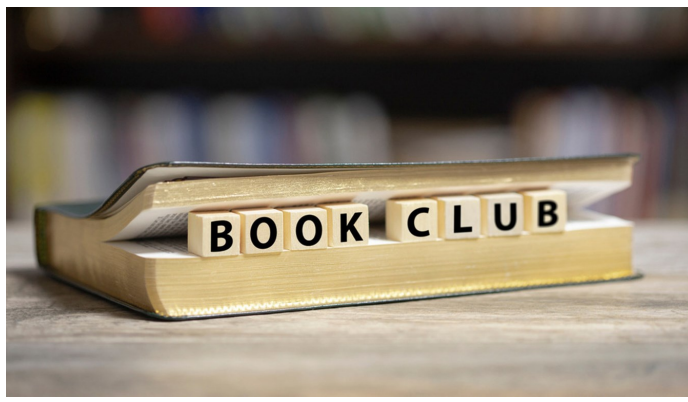
WORSHIP SERVICE.

COME JOIN IN!

A-H - MEAT

I-Z - VEGETABLES

SALAD or DESSERT



ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 8th
THE CCC BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT 1 P.M.
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.
TO DISCUSS
COMFORT & JOY
BY
KRISTIN HANNAH

Joy Candellaro once loved Christmas more than any other time of the year. Now, as the holiday approaches, she is at a crossroads in her life; recently divorced and alone, she can't summon the old enthusiasm for celebrating. So without telling anyone, she buys a ticket and boards a plane bound for the beautiful Pacific Northwest. When an unexpected detour takes her deep into the woods of the Olympic rainforest, Joy makes a bold decision to leave her ordinary life behind—to just walk away—and thus begins an adventure unlike any she could have imagined.

In the small town of Rain Valley, six-year-old Bobby O'Shea is facing his first Christmas without a mother. Unable to handle the loss, Bobby has closed himself off from the world, talking only to his invisible best friend. His father Daniel is beside himself, desperate to help his son cope. Yet when the little boy meets Joy, these two unlikely souls form a deep and powerful bond. In helping Bobby and Daniel heal, Joy finds herself again.

But not everything is as it seems in quiet Rain Valley, and in an instant, Joy's world is ripped apart, and her heart is broken. On a magical Christmas Eve, a night of impossible dreams and unexpected chances, Joy must find the courage to believe in a love—and a family—that can't possibly exist, and go in search of what she wants . . . and the new life only she can find.



Historic Washington
Presents
39th Annual Christmas and Candlelight
December 12-13

Embrace the Joy of Christmas

Immerse yourself in the enchanting spirit of the season, surrounded by cozy and festive historic buildings. Enjoy delightful music, capture memorable moments with photo opportunities, indulge in Christmas shopping, and stroll along city streets adorned with thousand of luminaries.

Tour venues will open at 3 p.m. and will continue until 8 p.m.

Luminary lighting and music programs will begin at 5 p.m.

Plan to enjoy an evening meal at Williams Tavern Restaurant from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Four States Fusion will be performing at 5:45pm

For more information call the park at (870) 983-2684

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)

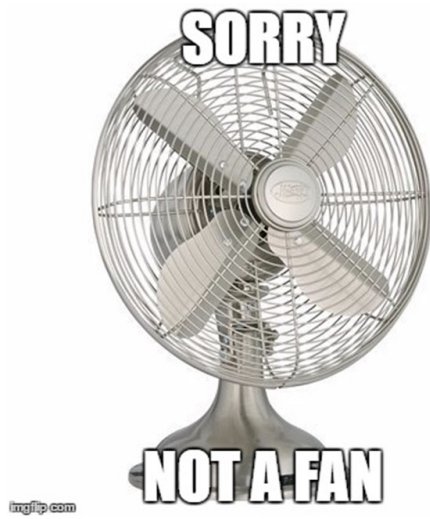
IN MEMORY OF:

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 26TH.



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 Journey Sunday School Class
will be studying***

2 Corinthians

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The Second Epistle to the Corinthians is a Pauline epistle of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The epistle is attributed to Paul the Apostle and a co-author named Timothy, and is addressed to the church in Corinth and Christians in the surrounding province of Achaia, in modern-day Greece. According to Jerome, Titus was the amanuensis of this epistle.



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.

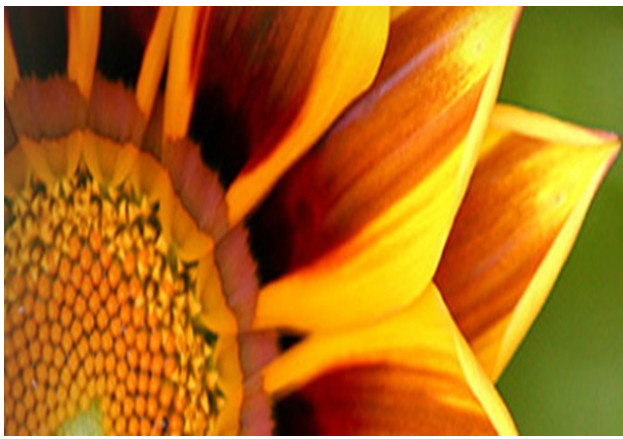
REMEMBER:

WATCH WORSHIP ON MONDAYS **AT 4:00 P.M.**

ON

OUR CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CCCTXK/](https://www.facebook.com/ccctxk/)



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

November 23	10:40am	Thanksgiving offering
November 23	11:45am	Congregational Meeting
November 23	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
November 23	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
November 26	4pm	deadline to order poinsettias
November 27	all day	Thanksgiving/office closed
November 28	all day	office closed
November 29	10am	Decorating sanctuary
November 30	all day	1st Sunday of Advent
November 30	11:45am	Property Committee
November 30	5pm	Advent Study
December 5	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
December 7	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
December 7	5pm	Advent Study
December 8	1pm	Book Club
December 9	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.

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Thanksgiving Potluck: Turkey and dressing will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert.	Thanksgiving offering will be taken up on November 16th & 23rd.					1 All Saints Day *set clocks and watches back one hour
All Saints Sunday 2 Daylight Saving Time Ends 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Outreach Comm.	3	4	5	6 12pm deadline to turn Veterans pictures into office	7	8
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/Veterans service	1pm Book Club 10	Veterans Day 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group 11	1pm Informational Meeting 6pm Informational Meeting 12	13	14	15
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	6pm General Board 17	5pm Steering Committee 18	19	20	7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger 21	22
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Congregational Mtg. 4pm Randy Sams prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off 23	24	25	4pm deadline to order poinsettias 26	 Office closed 27	Office closed 28	10am Decorating the sanctuary 29
9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Property Comm. 5pm Advent Study 30						

November Birthdays

Sarah Carpenter	11-9
Carol Ann Tallent	11-18
Teri Stover	11-19
Margie Beeson	11-22
Susan Oates	11-28
Chad Bennett	11-30
Justin Fowler	11-30

November Anniversaries

Bob & Lynn Wilmoth	11-13
Nick & Neldajo Mathison	11-27



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

November 2, 2025

Greeters: Tom Crow & Teresa Crow
 Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhardt
 Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
 Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
 Deacons: Troy Kern & Bob Wilmoth

November 9, 2025

Greeters: Glenda Burkhardt & Teresa Crow
 Worship Leader: Troy Kern
 Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
 Flower Elder: Alice Kern
 Deacons: Judy Shilling & Sheri Thomas

November 16, 2025

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
 Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
 Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
 Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
 Deacons: Robert Kern & Alice Kern

November 23, 2025

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter
 Worship Leader: Bob Wilmoth
 Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
 Flower Elder: Joan Carter
 Deacons: Glenda Burkhardt & Judy Shilling

November 30, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
 Worship Leader: Alice Coleman
 Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
 Flower Elder: Connie Spears
 Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Lynn Wilmoth

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable/salad	1	2	3	4	5 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	6
7 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/Hanging of the Greens 11:45am Advent potluck 5pm Advent Study	8 1pm Book Club	9 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	10	11	12	13
14 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/Parade of Poinsettias	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	22	23	24 Christmas Eve 12pm office closes	25 Merry Christmas Office closed 12pm Christmas Dinner for the Homeless and Needy	26 Office closed	27
28 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off	29	30	31			Christmas offering will be taken up on Dec. 14 and 21.

December Birthdays

Pat Brummal	12-1
Kayden Bennett	12-5
Mike Lamb	12-9
Sheri Thomas	12-14
Neldajo Mathison	12-15
Dan Rogers	12-22

December Anniversaries

John & Margie Beeson	12-11
Philip & Teri Stover	12-19
Mike & Sondra Crain	12-21



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

December 7, 2025

Greeters: Cowboy & Neldajo Mathison
Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
Flower Elder: Connie Spears
Deacons: George Carpenter & Julia Carpenter

December 14, 2025

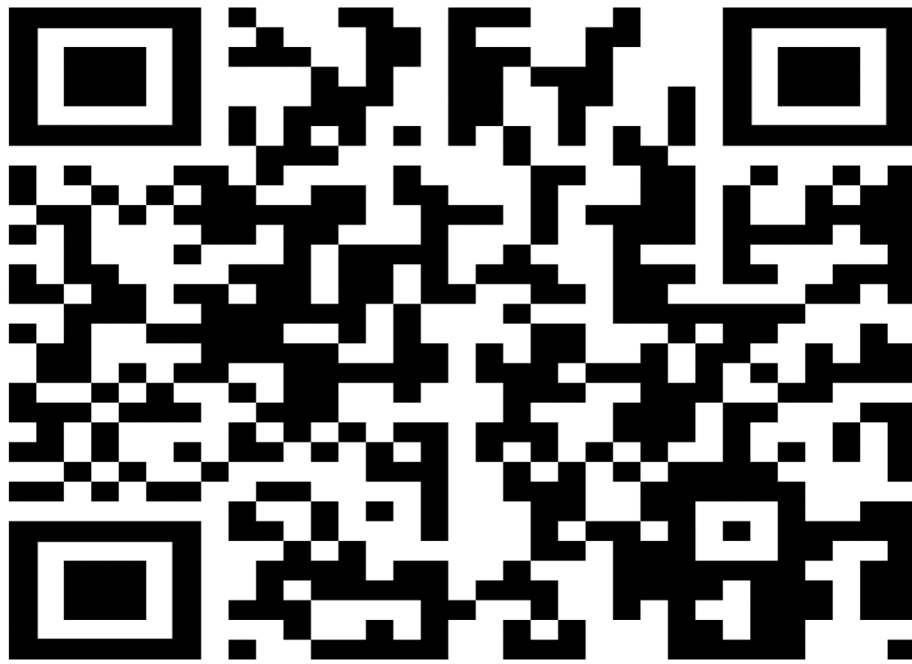
Greeters: Alice Coleman & Sondra Bedwell
Worship Leader: Mike Martin
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Sondra Bedwell & Mae Kidd

December 21, 2025

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
Deacons: Sheri Thomas & Glenda Burkhart

December 28, 2025

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Judy Shilling & Ethan Cole



SCAN THIS
QR CODE
TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

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Prayer Need

Our Church
Wes Byas
Lois Moore
Julia Carpenter
Mae Kidd

Ongoing Concerns

Laura Byas
Mike Lamb
Matt Lowe, Robert and Alice Kern's son-in-law
Richanna Minx Whitehead, Rusty & Sharon Minx's daughter
Terry Purvis
Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister
Bruce Beeson, John Beeson's son
Kathy Sylar, friend of Connie Spears
Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister
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
Midge 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
November 23, 2025

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter

Worship Leader: Bob Wilmoth

Hospital Elder: Jack Carter

Flower Elder: Joan Carter

Deacons: Glenda Burkhart & Judy Shilling

November 16, 2025

Attendance: 33

Offering: \$10,828.15

This Sunday:

"A New Concept"

Scripture:

Galatians 6:1-10

LECTIONARY FOR NOVEMBER 23, 2025

***Twenty-fourth Sunday after
Pentecost***

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Luke 1:68-79

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43