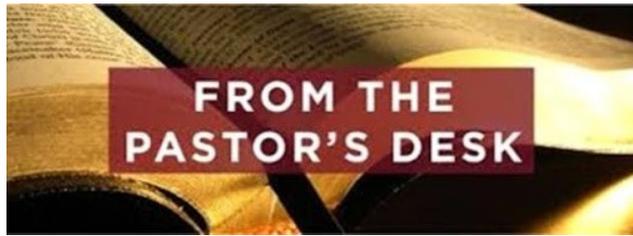


The Central Christian 411



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Ephesians 5:8-14

for once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, ⁹ for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰ Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. ¹² For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, ¹³ but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴ for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says,

“Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Paul speaks of us as a people who once walked in darkness, but now in the light. In so doing he is saying to us we should, as children of light, find out what is pleasing to the Lord. It seems the logical question then becomes, do we try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord, or do we believe that which is pleasing to US is pleasing to the Lord? All too often many of us want to believe that we somehow want what the Lord wants and therefore whatever we do is what the Lord finds pleasing. How many times have you heard someone say they do what the Lord wants them to do, yet what you observe appears to you to be unlike anything the Lord would want.

Historically, even in scripture, there are those who see God as one who is in agreement with whatever they want or do. Certainly, King Saul fits in that category as do the Sadducees and Pharisees. Unfortunately for them, God is not finite, but infinite, and therefore sees and knows that which we as finite human beings cannot see or know. As scripture says,

The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
²⁹ He gives power to the faint
and strengthens the powerless.

May the everlasting God be with you always, Wes



SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND

AFTER

WORSHIP

WE WILL HAVE

A

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

TO PROVIDE

AN UPDATE

ON SELLING THE

CHURCH

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CWF/DWM Blog

Our CWF General Meeting will be Saturday,
March 14th at 11:30am in Disciple Hall.

Our program will be presented by Lisa Kern, who
always does a great job presenting an uplifting
and inspiring program.

Our theme will be St. Patrick's, so wear green.

Our service project is the animal shelter. They
always need newspapers, old towels and food for
the animals.

Our lunch will be Irish stew, soda bread and
dessert.

All women please come and
enjoy the fellowship!



SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH

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!

Men's Fellowship

THE

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

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, MARCH 20th

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!

COMMUNITY **OUTREACH**

Giving back to the community

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026

**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.”



Board Meeting

THERE WILL BE A
GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY

MARCH 23rd

AT 6 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY

IMPORTANT SO ALL

BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE

PRESENT.



PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

MARCH 29TH

Be sure to bring family & friends
to

CELEBRATE OUR LORD'S ENTRY
INTO
JERUSALEM

Worship service begins
at 10:40 a.m.



The Thursday before Easter is known
as either

MAUNDAY 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 2nd for Maundy Thursday at 6



OUR SANCTUARY

WILL BE OPEN FROM

10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

FOR

PRAYER & MEDITATION

ON GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 3, 2026



EASTER SUNDAY

is

APRIL 5TH

Bring family and friends as we

CELEBRATE

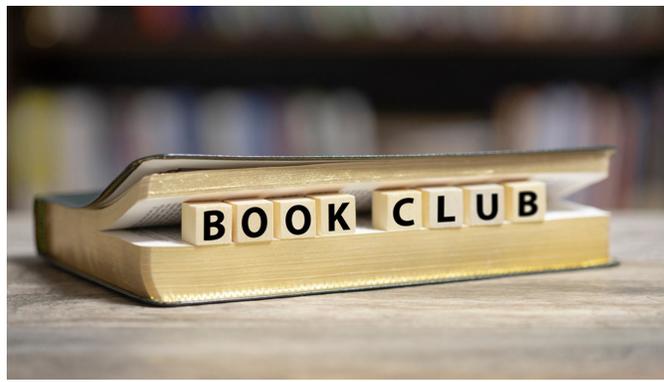
the resurrection of

OUR

Lord & Savior!!!

Worship service begins

at 10:40 a.m.



ON MONDAY, APRIL 13th

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

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

TO DISCUSS

THE FIRST LADIES

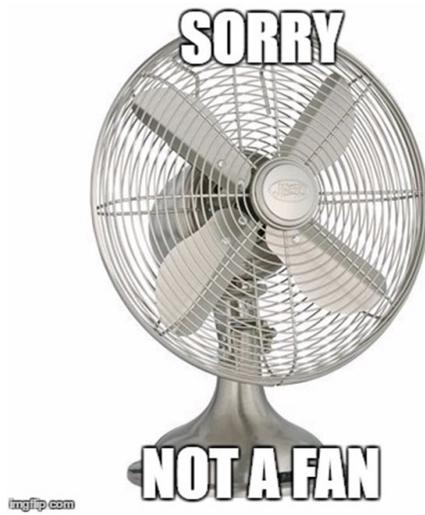
BY

MARIE BENEDICT & VICTORIA CHRISTOPHER MURRAY

The daughter of formerly enslaved parents, Mary McLeod Bethune refuses to back down as white supremacists attempt to thwart her work. She marches on as an activist and an educator, and as her reputation grows, she becomes a celebrity, revered by titans of business and recognized by U.S. Presidents. Eleanor Roosevelt herself is awestruck and eager to make her acquaintance. Initially drawn together because of their shared belief in women's rights and the power of education, Mary and Eleanor become fast friends confiding their secrets, hopes and dreams—and holding each other's hands through tragedy and triumph.

When Franklin Delano Roosevelt is elected president, the two women begin to collaborate more closely, particularly as Eleanor moves toward her own agenda separate from FDR, a consequence of the devastating discovery of her husband's secret love affair. Eleanor becomes a controversial First Lady for her outspokenness, particularly on civil rights. And when she receives threats because of her strong ties to Mary, it only fuels the women's desire to fight together for justice and equality.

This is the story of two different, yet equally formidable, passionate, and committed women, and the way in which their singular friendship helped form the foundation for the modern civil rights movement.



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***

EPHESIANS

We hope you will join us
for this important study.

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

The Epistle to the Ephesians is a Pauline epistle and the tenth book of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. It stands among the canonical writings that shaped early Christian identity and is traditionally grouped with the letters attributed to Paul the Apostle.

The text is traditionally believed to have been written by Paul around AD 62 during his imprisonment in Rome. It closely resembles Colossians and is thought to have been addressed to the church in Ephesus (now in Turkey), another Pauline epistle whose authorship is debated. As such, many modern scholars dispute the attribution and date the work to AD 70–100 as a circular letter.

Ephesians sets out a theological vision of God's plan to unite all creation in Christ and exhorts the church to embody that unity through reconciliation across ethnic boundaries and holy conduct in everyday relationships.



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

THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

We study various books of the Bible
and recently completed

LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

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 cctxk 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

March 14	11:30am	CWF
March 15	11:45am	Potluck Luncheon
March 17	4pm	Events Committee
March 17	5:30pm	CG/Evangelism/Christian Ed. Committee
March 20	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
March 22	11:45am	Congregational Meeting
March 22	4pm	Randy Sams Prep
March 22	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
March 23	6pm	General Board Meeting
March 29	all day	Palm Sunday
March 29	10:40am	Easter Offering
April 2	6pm	Maundy Thursday service
April 3	10am-2pm	Prayer & Meditation in sanctuary
April 5	all day	Easter Sunday
April 5	10:40am	Easter offering
April 6	all day	office closed



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.

March 2026

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	2	3	4	5	6 World Day of Prayer	7
8	Daylight Saving Time Begins International Women's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	9 1pm Book Club 2:30pm Worship Comm.	10 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	11	12	13	14 11:30am CWF
15	9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Potluck Luncheon	16	17 4pm Events 5:30pm CG/Evangelism/ Christian Ed. Comm	18	19 4pm Core Group	20 7:30am CWF @ 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 6pm General Board Meeting	24	25	26	27	28
29	Palm Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service	30	31				

March Birthdays

Tami Hudspeth	03-01
George Carpenter, Jr.	03-06
Joseph Cunningham	03-08
Alice Kern	03-14
Steven Howdeshell	03-25

Servers for the Weeks Ahead

March 1, 2026

Greeters: Judy Shilling & Sondra Bedwell
Worship Leader: Sheri Thomas
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
Flower Elder: Connie Spears
Deacons: Judy Shilling & Sondra Bedwell

March 8, 2026

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Bob Wilmoth
Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
Deacons: Dan Rogers & Gail Runyon

March 15, 2026

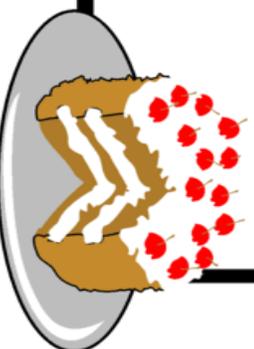
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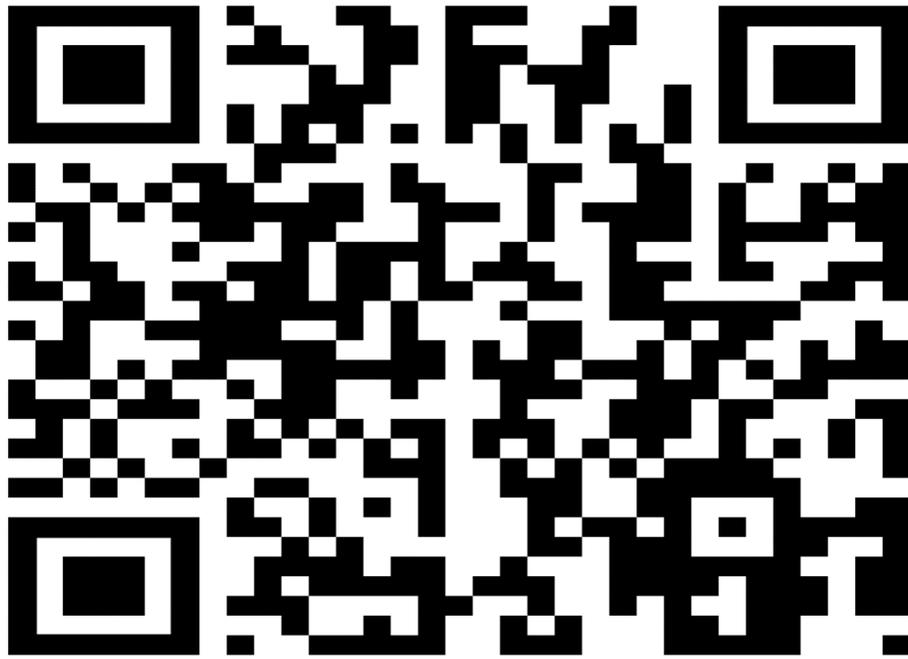
March 22, 2026

Greeters: Dan Rogers & Alice Coleman
Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
Hospital Elder: Tom Crow
Flower Elder: Teresa Crow
Deacons: Robert Kern & Alice Kern

March 29, 2026

Greeters: Gail Runyon & Glenda Burkhart
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Jerry Thomas & Sheri Thomas





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TO SEE
OUR
CHURCH VIDEO!

SHOW
FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church

Wes Byas

Kelley Folmar

Kim Baker Boyette

Steve Brine, Beth Brine's brother

Betty Vanderburg, Beth Brine's aunt

Dorothy Alves

Cowboy Mathison

Ongoing Concerns

Laura Byas

Mike Lamb

Preston Nogar, Jerry & Sheri's grandson

Jeffrey Turner, Abundant Life

Matt Lowe, Robert and Alice Kern's son-in-law

Janice Dorn, Sheri Thomas' sister

Kathy Sylar, friend of Connie Spears

Donna Lee, Robert Kern's sister

Randy Thomas, Jerry Thomas' brother

Jeanne Phillips, Sheri Thomas' sister

Carolyn Hudspeth

Anthony Johnson

Ed Shilling, Judy Shilling's husband

Bill Griffin, Glenda Burkhardt's son-in-law

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home

Betty Caudle

Margie Beeson

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



Serving this Sunday

March 15, 2026

Greeters: George & Julia Carpenter

Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell

Hospital Elder: Glenda Burkhardt

Flower Elder: Judy Shilling

Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Lynn Wilmoth

March 8, 2026

Attendance: 17

Offering: \$10,256.15

This Sunday:

"Grief"

Scripture:

1 Samuel 16:1-13

LECTIONARY FOR MARCH 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41