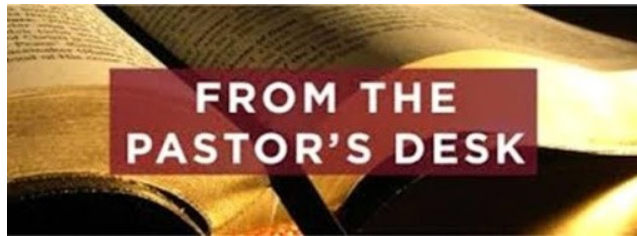


The Central Christian 411



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Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

There is a story about four preachers discussing their favorite translations of the Bible. The first one said, "I like the King James Version because of its beautiful English." Another said,

"I like the New American Standard version because it's closer to the original Greek and Hebrew." The third one replied,

"I like the Good News version because it's so easy to read."

The fourth minister was silent for a moment, then said,

"I like my mother's translation best."

The other three men were surprised. They said,

"I didn't know your mother made a translation of the Bible."

"Yes," he replied. "She translated it into everyday life. And it was the most beautiful and convincing translation I ever saw."

While the disciples shared their possessions and goods, as we are called to do, perhaps the most important calling is to share the Gospel through our everyday life, which includes sharing possessions and goods. Let us live the Gospel every day.

May the God of love and sharing be with you always,

Wes

CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

(That You May Know the Roles)

ELDERS

Elders primarily shall be ***responsible for the spiritual life and development of the congregation***, preside at the Lord's Table, assist and ***share with the Minister in the conduct of Pastoral functions*** and ***provide supportive counsel*** for the Minister regarding the spiritual life and development of the congregation.

DEACONS

Deacons primarily shall be ***responsible for the maintenance and "growth" of the congregation*** through its individual members and corporate life ***through witnessing in the community and in the world.***

MINISTER

The Minister of the congregation ***shall be the chief administrator of the congregation***, and in cooperation with the Moderator of the congregation and the General Board, ***encourage orderly procedures in the life and work of the congregation in compliance with the congregation's Constitution and the policies & procedures of the congregation*** and General Board.

The Minister shall give ***special attention to the selection and training of the congregation's leaders.***



THURSDAY, APRIL 22ND

The global theme for Earth Day 2026 is "Our Power, Our Planet," focusing on community-led environmental action, data-driven solutions, and collective power to drive change, moving beyond pledges to real infrastructure and policy, emphasizing that grassroots efforts are key to confronting polluters and securing a sustainable future. This theme highlights how local actions, from cleanups to advocacy, create lasting progress and strengthen community resilience against environmental challenges, driving accountability and building a green economy.

Key Aspects of the Theme:

- **Shift to Participation:**
Focuses on community engagement and grassroots organizing rather than just high-level pledges.
- **Real Infrastructure:**
Promotes tangible solutions like clean energy and data-driven accountability as crucial infrastructure.
- **Community Resilience:**
Stresses the role of cities, schools, and tribal nations in implementing solutions that improve reliability and safety.
- **Call to Action:**
Encourages people to organize demonstrations, voter registration drives, and local initiatives to protect environmental laws and strengthen communities.

What it Means for You:

- **Imperfect Action:**
Encourages consistent, imperfect actions over eco-perfectionism, promoting real progress through collective effort.
- **Beyond One Day:**
Connects personal choices and daily habits to the planet's future, making environmentalism a continuous commitment.
- **Local Power:**
Emphasizes that individuals, families, and communities have the power to influence leaders and confront polluters.



The United States was one of the first countries in the world to celebrate Arbor Day, a holiday dedicated to tree planting.

National Arbor Day in the USA is celebrated on the last Friday in April. Besides, each state celebrates its own state tree planting holiday. Arbor Day was founded by Julius Sterling Morton, a Nebraska newspaper editor, agriculturalist and statesman. Morton was a respected agriculturalist fascinated with trees he planted numerous trees on his estate.

Currently, his former mansion and estate serve as Arbor Lodge State Historical Park. Morton came up with the idea of celebrating Arbor Day in the early 1870s. The first celebration was held in Nebraska on April 10, 1872.

Its participants planted an estimated one million trees throughout the state. By the 1920s, each state had passed laws that stipulated a certain day to be state Arbor Day. In some states, the holiday was named Arbor and Bird Day. In Nebraska, Arbor Day is a civic holiday. National Arbor Day in the United States was established as a state holiday in 1885. It was moved from April 10 (its original date proposed by Morton) to April 22 (Morton's birthday). In 1989, the holiday was moved to the last Friday in April. On this day, Americans are encouraged to plant trees, bushes, and plants (if weather conditions allow) and care for their national environment.



COMING

APRIL 25TH!

**OUR SIXTH ANNUAL
FISH FRY & AUCTION!**

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

Doors Open at 5 pm

Begin Serving at 5:30 pm

To Go Plates Available!

For Auction: Bring New Items in Advance.

Bring Baked Goods

on Day of Auction.

AUCTION WILL INCLUDE 2 TEXAS

RANGERS BASEBALL TICKETS

COMMUNITY **OUTREACH**

Giving back to the community

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 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.”

Cabinet Meeting

MONDAY, APRIL 27TH

WE WILL HAVE OUR

CABINET MEETING

AT 4 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.



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.



Beginning May 3rd, we will have a four (4)
Sunday

Easter Study on Why Easter Matters.

As you know, Lent, along with Holy Week, is an extremely busy time of the Christian Year. So, we decided to have an after Easter Sunday Study, which will be held for four (4) Sundays beginning May 3rd.

So please mark your calendar for

May 3, 10, 17 and 24.

We will meet in Disciple Hall for this study.

There will be handouts and discussion.

So, prepare your hearts and minds!

WE WILL HAVE SOUP & SALAD AT 5 PM.

PLEASE BRING EITHER SOUP OR SALAD.

TEA AND WATER WILL BE PROVIDED.

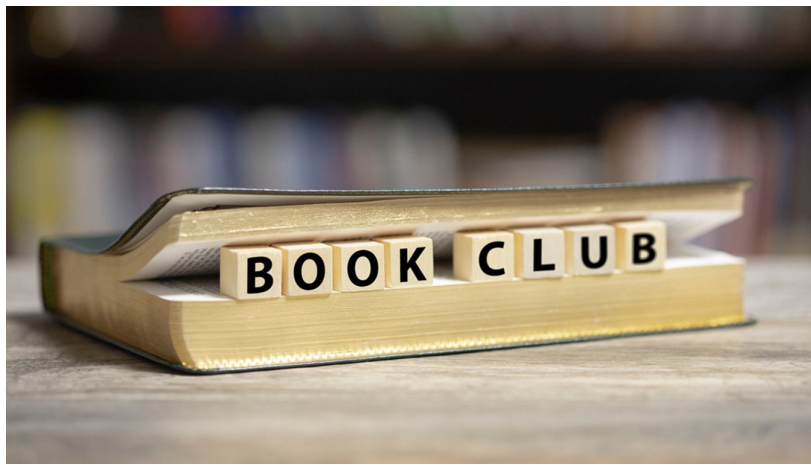


SUNDAY, MAY 10TH, WE WILL BE
CELEBRATING

MOTHER'S DAY

HERE AT
CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

BRING YOUR MOTHER TO CHURCH ON
THIS SPECIAL DAY AND EVERY
SUNDAY!



ON MONDAY, MAY 11th

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

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

TO DISCUSS

**THE GUERNSEY LITERARY GUILD & POTATO PEEL PIE
SOCIETY**

BY

MARY ANN SHAFFER & ANNIE BARROWS

As Juliet and her new correspondent exchange letters, Juliet is drawn into the world of this man and his friends—and what a wonderfully eccentric world it is. The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society—born as a spur-of-the-moment alibi when its members were discovered breaking curfew by the Germans occupying their island—boasts a charming, funny, deeply human cast of characters, from pig farmers to phrenologists, literature lovers all.

Juliet begins a remarkable correspondence with the society's members, learning about their island, their taste in books, and the impact the recent German occupation has had on their lives. Captivated by their stories, she sets sail for Guernsey, and what she finds will change her forever.

Men's Fellowship

THE

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

WILL BE MEETING

Friday, MAY 15th

at 7:30 A.M. at

Old Tyme Burger Shoppe

Located at 1205 Arkansas Blvd.

Come join us!



Board Meeting

THERE WILL BE A
GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MONDAY

MAY 18th

AT 4 P.M.

IN

THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE VERY

IMPORTANT SO ALL

BOARD MEMBERS

ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE

PRESENT.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

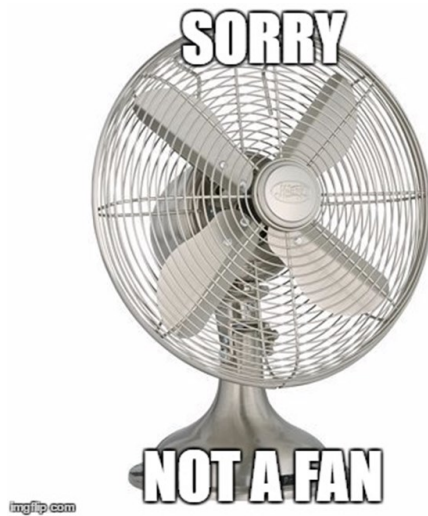
MAY 24TH

IS

**PENTECOST
SUNDAY!**

**BE SURE TO WEAR
RED**

FOR THIS CELEBRATION OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT.



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***

PHILIPPIANS

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 Philippians is a Pauline epistle of the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The epistle is attributed to Paul the Apostle and Timothy is named with him as co-author or co-sender. The letter is addressed to the Christian church in Philippi. Paul, Timothy, Silas (and perhaps Luke) first visited Philippi in Greece (Macedonia) during Paul's second missionary journey from Antioch, which occurred between approximately 50 and 52 AD. In the account of his visit in the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Silas are accused of "disturbing the city".

There is a general consensus that Philippians consists of authentically Pauline material, and that the epistle is a composite of multiple letter fragments from Paul to the church in Philippi. 17 These letters could have been written from Ephesus in 52–55 AD or Caesarea Maritima in 57–59, but the most likely city of provenance is Rome, around 62 AD, or about 10 years after Paul's first visit to Philippi.



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.



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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,

Upcoming Events & Services

April 22	all day	Earth Day
April 24	all day	Arbor Day
April 25	5pm	Fish Fry and Auction
April 26	4pm	Randy Sams prep
April 26	6pm	Randy Sams drop off
April 27	4pm	Cabinet Meeting
May 1	all day	Mental Health Month Begins
May 3	5pm	After Easter Study
May 10	all day	Mother's Day
May 10	5pm	After Easter Study
May 11	1pm	Book Club
May 11	2:30pm	Worship Committee
May 12	11:30am	CWF
May 12	6pm	Hope Remains Grief Support Group
May 15	7:30am	CMF @ Old Tyme Burger
May 17	10:40am	Pentecost offering
May 17	5pm	After Easter Study



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.

April 2026

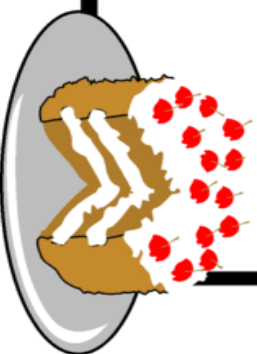
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>Potluck Luncheon: Last name beginning with: A-H: Meat I-Z: Vegetable/salad</p>	<p>Easter offering will be taken up on April 5th</p>		1	2 6pm Maundy Thursday service	3 10am-2pm Sanctuary open for prayer and meditation	4
<p>5 Easter Sunday 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 10:40am Fellowship</p>	<p>6 office closed</p>	7	8	9	10	11
<p>12 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 11:45am Fellowship Comm.</p>	<p>13 1pm Book Club 2:30pm Worship Committee</p>	<p>14 11:30am CWF 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group</p>	15	16	17 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	18
<p>19 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service w/Friends & Family Day 11:45am Potluck Luncheon</p>	20	21	22 Earth Day	23	24 Arbor Day	25 Fish Fry & Auction Doors open at 5pm Serving at 5:30pm
<p>26 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 6pm Randy Sams drop off</p>	27 4pm Cabinet Meeting	28	29	30		

April Birthdays

Judy Shilling	04-03
Jeffrey Turner	04-07
Lynn Wilmoth	04-13
Jennifer Watson	04-25
Stan Brummal	04-27
Nancy Thompson	04-28
Sarah Launius	04-28
Jordan Lumpkin	04-28
Robert Kern	04-29

April Anniversaries

Denton & Janell Dailey	04-03
Wes & Laura Byas	04-07
Chad & Jamie Bennett	04-24



Servers for the Weeks Ahead

April 5, 2026

Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Alice Coleman
Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Jim Spears & Connie Spears

April 12, 2026

Greeters: Dan Rogers & Gail Runyon
Worship Leader: Mike Martin
Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
Deacons: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore

April 19, 2026

Greeters: Glenda Burkhart & Janell Dailey
Worship Leader: Teresa Crow
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Glen Hudspeth & Tami Hudspeth

April 26, 2026

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth
Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell
Hospital Elder: Glenda Burkhart
Flower Elder: Alice Coleman
Deacons: Tom Crow & Teresa Crow

May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pentecost offering will be taken up on May 17th and 24th.					1	2
3 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 5pm After Easter Study	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Mother's Day 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 5pm After Easter Study	11 1pm Book Club 2:30pm Worship Committee	12 11:30am CWF 6pm Hope Remains Grief Support Group	13	14	15 7:30am CMF @ Old Tyme Burger	16
17 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 5pm After Easter Study	18 4pm General Board Meeting	19	20	21 4pm Core/Steering Comm.	22	23
24 Pentecost 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am Sunday School 10:40am Worship Service 4pm Randy Sams Prep 5pm After Easter Study 6pm Randy Sams drop off	25 Memorial Day Office closed	26	27	28	29	30
31 9am Elders in Prayer 9:30am 5th Sunday Breakfast 10:40am Worship Service						

May Birthdays

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

May Anniversaries

Richard & Glenda Burkhart 05-03

Servers for the Weeks Ahead

May 3, 2026

Greeters: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore
Worship Leader: Sheri Thomas
Hospital Elder: Glen Hudspeth
Flower Elder: Tami Hudspeth
Deacons: Bob Wilmoth & Lynn Wilmoth

May 10, 2026

Greeters: Jerry & Sheri Thomas
Worship Leader: Alice Coleman
Hospital Elder: George Carpenter, Jr.
Flower Elder: Julia Carpenter
Deacons: Mae Kidd & Judy Shilling

May 17, 2026

Greeters: Jack & Joan Carter
Worship Leader: Glenda Burkhart
Hospital Elder: Jim Spears
Flower Elder: Connie Spears
Deacons: Jack Carter & Joan Carter

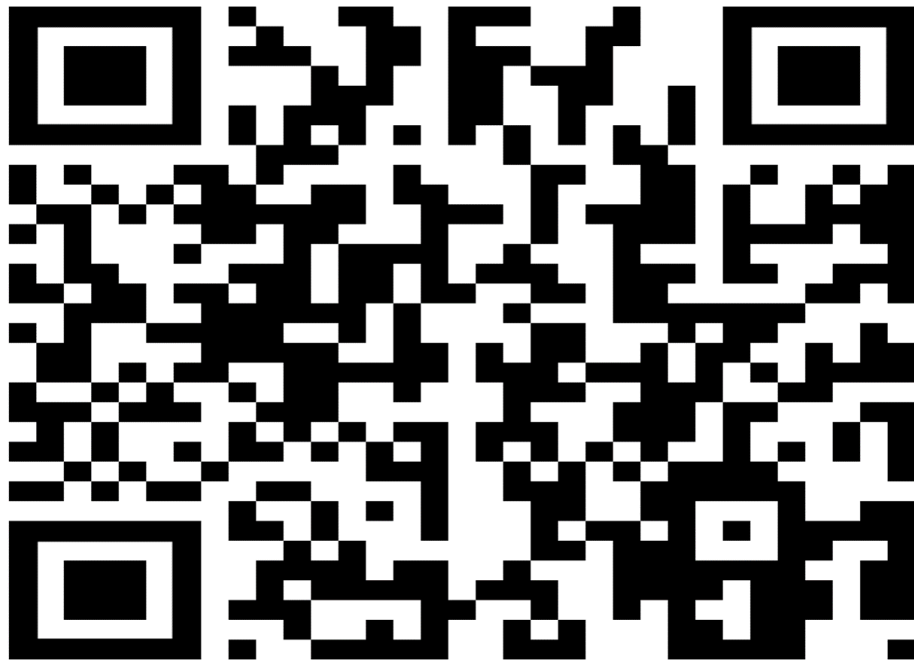
May 24, 2026

Greeters: Glenda Burkhart & Gail Runyon
Worship Leader: Jerry Thomas
Hospital Elder: Jack Carter
Flower Elder: Joan Carter
Deacons: Jim Spears & Connie Spears

May 31, 2026

Greeters: Sondra Bedwell & Alice Coleman
Worship Leader: Bob Wilmoth
Hospital Elder: Robert Kern
Flower Elder: Alice Kern
Deacons: Mike Lamb & Lois Moore





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Weekly Info

Prayer Need

Our Church

Wes Byas

Kim Baker Boyette

Steve Brine, Beth Brine's brother

Betty Vanderburg, Beth Brine's aunt

Ongoing Concerns

Laura Byas

Dorothy Alves

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

Ed Shilling, Judy Shilling's husband

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

Homebound

Joe Frost, Sr., home

Betty Caudle

Margie Beeson

Midge Cooney, home

James Thompson, home

Susie Howdeshell, home

Bobbie Roberts, Pat Taylor's mom, The Villa room 207



Serving this Sunday

April 26, 2026

Greeters: Bob & Lynn Wilmoth

Worship Leader: Sondra Bedwell

Hospital Elder: Glenda Burkhart

Flower Elder: Tom Crow

Deacons: Teresa Crow & Jim Spears

April 19, 2026

Attendance: 83

Offering: \$6,079.15

This Sunday:

"What Matters"

Scripture:

Matthew 10:26-31

LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10