

WELCOME TO CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

We exist here as a simple New Testament church, pointing people to the Christ and God of the Bible. The doors are open to those who from the quiet depths of their hearts, would reach out to God in simple worship and obedient living. It is not our aim to amuse or entertain those who attend. It is not our purpose to feed vanity or pride. It is our intent to worship the sovereign God in spirit and truth. If you enjoy meditating on God's Word and sincerely want to know more about it, appreciate honoring Him through spiritual worship, and want warm, genuine love and fellowship, you will be pleased with the services of the Central Church of Christ.

Men to Serve:

Sunday, November 27, 2022
Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Matthew 25:1-13**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: John Vie
Communion: Allen Benge, Don Bentley, Jerry Kidd

Sermon: **PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS**
Closing Prayer: Jerry Kidd

Afternoon Worship 12:30 pm

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Psalms 52:1-9**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Bob Vie
Sermon: **I WILL PRAISE THEE FOREVER**
Communion: Don Bentley
Closing Prayer: David Adkins

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Don Bentley
Opening Prayer: Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer: Britt Price



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...Encourage one another daily... Hebrews 3:13

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Minister

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Sundays: Bible Class **9:00 am**
Worship **10:00 am**
Worship **4:00 pm** (On the last Sunday of each month, we have **potluck followed by a 12:30 afternoon worship and no evening services**).

Wednesdays:

Bible Class **6:00 pm**

Special Studies:

Tuesdays:

Men's Bible Study **4:00 pm**

Thursdays:

Ladies Bible Study **10:00 am**

THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS – BE READY

Matthew 25:1-13

INTRODUCTION:

1. Review the context of the parable
2. This parable divides itself into four parts, naturally.
 1. Be Ready;
 2. Participate;
 3. Don't Be Excluded; and
 4. Pronouncement.

DISCUSSION:

1. BE READY (25:1-10).

1. Wisdom is essential. Five virgins took lamps and oil. They were prepared foresight.
2. It is foolish not to prepare for future events.
3. Are you Ready?
4. There is NO repentance after death.

2. THE PARTICIPATION (v 10).

1. It really is simple.
2. Those who prepare go to heaven.
3. Those that are not prepared will not go to heaven.

3. THE EXCLUSION (vs 11-12).

1. These young women were lost because they were unprepared. They even cried out "Lord, Lord" (Matthew 7:21). They asked for Jesus to open the door. Did they have this right? Yes, because they were part of the original parade.
2. It is sad because this did not have to happen!
3. Being unprepared is inexcusable.

4. THE PRONOUNCEMENT (v 13).

1. Jesus was making this point with this parable.
2. Watch!
3. Be ready!

Attendance: 11-20-22

AM: 60 PM: 29 Wednesday: 22

Contribution: \$1,673

Weekly Budget: \$2,455

Kerry Clark was diagnosed with an ulcer on his vocal cord. The doctor said he needed to rest his voice for 6 weeks.

Lynn Palmer is doing well following her hospital stay.

Bob Vie is also doing well with his back.

Janet Skipworth, Judy Vie's sister, has been diagnosed with Angio Sarcoma, stage 4. Prognosis is not looking good. They have asked for prayers for her and the family.

Several of Brenda Tolbert's families are in need of prayers: **Sherry, Beth,** and **Brooklyn** are all pretty sick.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Cathy Garrett; June Cobb; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Ginger Tavenner and family; Cheryl Jennings; Pat & Brenda Tolbert; Sandra Tankersley; Martha Sullivan; Ryan Yates; Bradley Ferguson; Stanley Harmon; Don Bentley

Service Members: Reece Hudson; Kris Fleming; Casey Clark; Trevor Garcia; Ryan Dallas; Adam Dallas; Alexandria Dallas; Colby Kelley; Gabe Baker

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TODAY - Potluck Lunch. Afternoon services will be at 12:30 and there will be no 4 p.m. service today.

12/11 – Men's Business Meeting – 5 pm

12/18 – Review of Men's Business Meeting – 5 pm

Services are now available online: Please take advantage of our online services. <https://www.youtube.com>
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Everyone Loved!*



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