

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, April 9, 2023

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Hebrews 4:12**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Bob Vie

Communion:
Allen Bengé, Jerry Kidd, Bob Hadley

Sermon: **CHRISITIANITY 101: THE BIBLE**
Closing Prayer: John Goodroe

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Matthew 4:4**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Bob Hadley
Sermon: **READ YOUR BIBLE**
Communion: Allen Bengé
Closing Prayer: Pat Tolbert

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Don Bentley
Opening Prayer: Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer: Larry Merrifield



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

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Minister

Kerry Clark
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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**

CHRISTIANITY 101: THE BIBLE

INTRODUCTION:

1. Matthew 4:4.
2. Christianity is a religion of the written Word.
3. Human religions may be based on rituals to observe, or on statues to worship, or on ecclesiastical structures, but the church of Jesus Christ is based upon God's inspired Word!

DISCUSSION:

1. WHAT IS THE BIBLE (Hebrews 4:12-13)?

1. It is the Word of God. "Thus saith the LORD" is used almost 3,000 times in the Old Testament!
2. It is quick or living (1 Peter 1:23).
3. It is powerful (Romans 1:16).
4. It is sharper than any two-edge sword (it will cut to the quick). The words translated "two-edge sword" literally means double mouthed (Ecclesiastes 12:11; Revelation 1:16, 2:12, 2:16, and 19:15).
5. It pierces; meaning it reaches to the deepest parts of the human, even dividing between the soul and spirit. It divides between the joints and the marrow, and it discerns the thoughts and the intents of our heart.

2. THE BIBLE IS THEREFORE OUR GUIDE IN EVERYTHING WE DO.

1. Deuteronomy 4:2.
2. Proverbs 30:5-6.
3. Revelation 22:18-19.
4. Psalm 119:140.
5. Galatians 1:6-10.
6. Colossians 3:17.

Services are now available online: Please take advantage of our online services. <https://www.youtube.com>
(Search for Central church of Christ Athens, TX).

Attendance: 04/2/23

AM: 54 PM: 30 Wednesday: 30

Contribution: \$3,820

Weekly Budget: \$2,510

David Caraway, Dana's husband, received good news on this cancer diagnosis. He will not need further treatment. Just regular check-ups.

Larry Sikes, Ginger and Donna's cousin, suffered a heart attack last week. He has had quadruple bypass and is on a vent but is recovering. **Mickey**, his wife, lost her daughter also during this time. They need many prayers.

Gail Kirchling is not doing well. She is back in the hospital.

Jerry Myers has been diagnosed with polyps on his lungs.

Sylvia Lewis has an appointment with her surgeon on Thursday.

LeAnn Mathis had a PET scan Friday. Please pray for good results.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Cheryl Jennings; Pat & Brenda Tolbert; Sandra Tankersley; Gail Kirchling; Denise Fuentes; Kathy Smith; Dell Lott; Rick Flurry; Roger Busby; Janet Costlow; Benny Lewis; Billy Wright; LeAnn Mathis Diaz; Lynn Brantley, Sr.; Bob & Barbara Blythe; Jimmy Dunn

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TODAY - Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

- Ladies' Day Meeting – 5 p.m.

4/16 – Review of Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

4/21-23 – 35th Annual Mabank Lectures

4/29 – Central Ladies' Day with Keely McCary

4/30 – Potluck Lunch

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

