

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, June 18, 2023

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **John 1:1-3**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Carroll Dyson

Communion:
John Goodroe, Britt Price, Pat Tolbert

Sermon: **THE EVIDENCE OF THE DEITY OF CHRIST**
Closing Prayer: Bob Vie

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Hebrews 12:11-17**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Don Bentley
Sermon: **THE POWER OF FAITH**
Communion: Britt Price
Closing Prayer: Allen Benge

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Don Bentley
Opening Prayer: Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer: Robert Berry



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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 (resume in fall): Men's Bible Study **4:00 pm**

Thursdays: Ladies Bible Study **10:00 am**

THE EVIDENCE OF THE DEITY OF CHRIST

John 1:1-3

INTRODUCTION:

1. We are discussing the evidence for the deity of Jesus Christ.
2. This question involves the nature of the Incarnate Christ.
3. The fact is that Jesus is both man and God.
4. The proposition I am setting forth is that there is abundant evidence which testifies that Jesus is both God and man.

DISCUSSION:

1. THE NATURE OF EVIDENCE.

1. Our believing Jesus is both God and man is not some blind trust.
2. It is built upon eyewitness testimony which was then recorded perfectly through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 5:7).

2. JESUS IS NOT A CREATED BEING.

1. The Bible teaches Jesus existed before time; He created time, and then He entered into time.
2. Jesus claimed His preexistence in John 8:58 when He said, "Before Abraham was, I am."
3. Jehovah's Witnesses claim, "We follow the teachings and example of Jesus Christ and honor him as our Savior and as the Son of God. (Matthew 20:28; Acts 5:31). Thus, we are Christians. (Acts 11:26) However, we have learned from the Bible that Jesus is not Almighty God and that there is no Scriptural basis for the Trinity doctrine.—John 14:28."
4. They ignore the fact that Jesus said in John 10:30, "I and my Father are one."

3. EVIDENCE JESUS IS DEITY FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT.

1. Genesis 1:1 compare with John 1:1-3. See also Genesis 1:26.
2. Psalm 2:2 (kings of the earth are against God's anointed) compare with Acts 4:27.
3. Jesus is worthy of worship (Psalm 45:11) compare with Hebrews 1:8-9.
4. Psalm 110:1 compare with Matthew 22:44-45
5. Malachi 4:2 – Jesus is the One with healing in His wings.

4. EVIDENCE FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT.

1. The miracles of Jesus demand He is God: see paper.
2. Matthew 1:20-25.
3. The Mount of Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-5).
4. Philippians 2:5-11 compare with Isaiah 45:23.
5. Mark 4:41.

Attendance: 06/11/23

AM: 60 PM: 38 Wednesday: 33

Contribution: \$2,735

Weekly Budget: \$2,510

Doris Mallory has been placed on Hospice care in Fort Worth. **Wanda Clark** was coming home this week, if all went well. **Bryan Bewley**, Lois's son, passed away on Monday, 6/12/23. **Betty Ward**, Sarah Dyer's cousin, has an appointment with her doctor 6/22/23. She is very thankful for our prayers. **Baby Ioannes**, the 15-month old from the Philippines, had her heart surgery last week. It seems to have been a successful surgery. Johnny and her family send their thanks for the prayers, as well as the financial contribution.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Susan Hill; Tim Shelton; 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; LeAnn Mathis Diaz; Bob & Barbara Blythe; Jimmy Dunn; Pat Bateman; Greg Marsh; Brandy Marsh; Diane Knowlton, Jeff Knowlton; Betty Ward; Mikayla Griffin; Wanda Clark; Ginger Tavenner

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 Review – 5 p.m.

6/24 – Celebration of Life for Alan Hill – 12-4 p.m.

6/25 – Potluck Luncheon

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*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

