

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, July 2, 2023  
Morning Worship**

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield  
Scripture: TBA  
Song Leader: Britt Price  
Opening Prayer: Bob Hadley

Communion:  
Don Bentley, Tom East, Larry Merrifield

Sermon: EVAN NICHOLAS  
Closing Prayer: Jerry Kidd

**Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm**

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield  
Scripture: TBA  
Song Leader: Britt Price  
Opening Prayer: Larry Merrifield  
Sermon: EVAN NICHOLAS  
Communion: Don Bentley  
Closing Prayer: David Adkins

**Wednesday (6:00pm)**

Song Leader: Don Bentley  
Opening Prayer: TBA  
Closing Prayer: Robert Berry



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

**Sunday, July 2, 2023**

**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

## A WARM WELCOME

Please welcome today, brother **Evan Nicholas**. Evan has just finished his first year at the Texas School of Preaching. He is an outstanding student and I (Kerry) look forward to teaching him again this year. Evan was baptized into the Lord's Church at the Bangs Church of Christ in March of 2020 at the age of fifteen. Soon after, he and his family (Jason and Allison) moved to Mansfield, Texas. Evan began preaching even before he started school at TXSOP. He had the privilege of hearing many great preachers in the brotherhood from a young age. This instilled in him a love for preaching the Gospel and a desire to preach the Word of God with precision (2 Timothy 2:15 and 4:2). We continue to be excited as he grows with us at the Texas School of Preaching.

PS: I (Kerry) had the privilege of teaching Evan last quarter the books of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel and will be teaching this quarter the books of Kings and Chronicles. His bio listed above is from the school's webpage with my modifications.

Several have asked about the Texas School of Preaching. It is designed, not to be in competition with other Schools of Preaching, but to add a unique opportunity to the Lord's Church. Here is a statement about the school from the webpage:

The Texas School of Preaching is an institute of higher learning with a specific emphasis on training preachers. Our two-year program of the Texas School of Preaching covers every book of the Bible, as well as courses in languages, public speaking, and the daily work of a local evangelist. In 2021, the elders of the Bryan/College Station church of Christ saw a need for more gospel preachers willing to speak boldly, as they ought to speak (Ephesians 6:20). They created Texas School of Preaching to help remedy this need.

### PREACHING THE WORD DISTINCTLY

At the Texas School of Preaching, we believe that the Gospel of Christ should be preached with distinction, sincerity, and zeal. Our purpose: to train sound, competent, zealous men to carry out the great commission of Christ (Mark 16:15).

Web address: [texasschoolofpreaching.com](http://texasschoolofpreaching.com)

**Attendance: 06/25/23**

**AM: 73 PM: 33 Wednesday: 34**

**Contribution: \$2,485**

**Weekly Budget: \$2,510**

**Kerry, Teri, and Lynn** are at Camp Ida this week.

Jennifer Wallace's neighbor, **Melissa Sifvek**, suffered a stroke last week. She is now home and doing well.

**Bob Eubanks**, friend of Kay Dillon, has been diagnosed with cancer. He has begun chemo and they are testing further. They have requested prayers.

### Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Susan Hill; Tim Shelton; Billy Wright; 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; 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; Baby Ionnes; Melissa Sifvek; Bob Eubanks

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

7/2 -7/7 – Camp Ida

7/9 – Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

7/16 – Review of Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

7/21 – Game Night

7/30 – Potluck Lunch

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

**Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,  
Everyone Loved!**

