

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.



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

Sunday, August 21, 2022

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**

Men to Serve:

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
 Scripture: **Matthew 7:24-29**
 Song Leader: Britt Price
 Opening Prayer: Carroll Dyson
 Communion:

Michael Berry, Bob Vie, Tad Morton

Sermon: **THE WISE MAN BUILT HIS HOUSE UPON THE ROCK**

Closing Prayer: Bob Hadley

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
 Scripture: **Matthew 4:12-17**
 Song Leader: Don Bentley
 Opening Prayer: John Goodroe
 Sermon: **GOD'S GRACE GAVE US JESUS THE PREACHER**
 Communion: Bob Vie
 Closing Prayer: Britt Price

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Britt Price
 Opening Prayer: Britt Price
 Closing Prayer: Michael Berry

THE WISE MAN BUILT HIS HOUSE UPON THE ROCK

INTRODUCTION:

1. Matthew 7:24-29.
2. Most of us grew up singing the song “The Wise Man Built His House upon the Rock” and “The Foolish Man Built His House upon the Sand.
3. This lesson is even more powerful to those who have reached adulthood.
4. This powerful teaching of Jesus is in the form of a parable or simile.

DISCUSSION:

1. WHOEVER HEARS THESE SAYING OF MINE AND DOETH THEM.

1. The Bible definitely places emphasis on hearing the Word of God (Romans 10:17).
2. Just as emphatically the Bible emphasizes the doing of God’s Word (James 2:14-26).
3. Jesus specifically mentioned the one who does His sayings. Jesus called him wise.

2. THE STORMS OF LIFE WILL COME.

1. Anyone who has lived very long knows the truth of Jesus’ statement.
2. Whether wise or foolish, whether Christian or atheist; the storms of life will come.
3. We often sing the song:
 Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,
 When the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
 When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain,
 Will your anchor drift or firm remain?

3. HAVE YOU BUILT YOUR HOUSE UPON THE ROCK?

1. Jesus spoke of only two destinies – the house which stood and the house which fell.
2. The meaning of this parable is clear – we will either succeed in life or fail in life.
3. Success in this life means building our lives upon Jesus and His Word.
4. Failure in this life means spending an eternity separated from our Creator.

Attendance: 8-14-22

AM: 51 PM: 38 Wednesday: 30

Contribution: \$2,990

Weekly Budget: \$2,455

Welcome to Terrie Gray! Terrie has placed membership with us after moving to the area. Please welcome her with open arms!

Debra Benge is home. She is only allowed to get up 20 minutes at a time and only 3 times a day. All is going well now. Keep her and Allen in your prayers.

Janet Brinkman, Jim McCain’s daughter, had cancer surgery Wednesday.

Sandra Tankersley, Donna Howard’s daughter, will begin another round of chemo to continue treating the cancer.

Several of our family are out with Covid...Hudsons, Berrys, Vies are the ones we know of. Please be careful out there!

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; June Cobb; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Doyle & Laura Avant; Debra Benge; Janet Brinkman; David Cox; Cheryl Jennings; Don Gilmore; Brenda Tolbert; Nancy Townsend; David Tyree; Mary Lou Betts; Diane Harris; Bob Nowlin; Luke Ayars; Sandra Tankersley; Raymond Jones; Martha Sullivan; Wade Hampton; Dana & Paula Bell; Michelle Wright; Joe and Rebecca Glen; Ginger Tavenner and family; Marsha Stephens; Nicole Kirkpatrick; Ryan Yates

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TODAY – Review of Men’s Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

8/28 – Potluck Luncheon

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

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*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

