



THE OUTLOOK

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF WAXAHACHIE

402 N College Street
Waxahachie, TX 75165

January 2024

A Note from Fred:

On New Year's Day evening Kitty and I were invited to a friend's for a bonfire on the farm. We all expected a roaring fire, but it had rained recently and some of the wood was green, so our fire was smaller than expected. But it was delightful! There is something soothing about watching a fire as the flames jump and move. We see the activity and the changing color of the flames. The coals light up with their orange glow. We are warmed and feel better just by being near the fire.

Jesus said that you and I are the light of the world. One way we can provide light is to be a listening ear for someone who needs to talk. We all need people with whom we can confide, that we know will keep what we share in confidence. With a new year upon us, let's seek to sooth others by making time to listen to them.

Grace and peace,

Fred



Lenten Small Groups

Explore the last few hours of Jesus' life We will be offering small group studies that will meet weekly to discuss the passage that will be preached upon the following Sunday. Everyone who is interested in participating will be placed in a small group that will gather each week for seventy-five minutes for fellowship, study and prayer. Registration forms can be found on the website or in the church office. Groups will begin meeting the week of Monday, February 12 and will meet for six weeks. We will be one week ahead of the Lenten schedule. If you have any questions please contact Johnna Breedon at the office, 972-937-2924



January Birthdays

Audrey Willett	1
Winnie O'Donnell	2
Philip Smith	3
Tom Crabb	12
Billie McCullough	23
Jay Barksdale	24
Bill Nash	25

You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with *joy* in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Psalm 16:11.

Please make sure the church office has your birthday. We would like to wish you a Happy Birthday.

Dear Angel Tree Team:

As we approach Christmas this weekend, I wanted to stop and say a heartfelt and enthusiastic THANK YOU to all of you who participated in our **Angel Tree campaign** this year. YOU provided gifts for over 250 children this year. Your hard work and generosity will ensure an abundant Christmas that reflects the grace and joy that is the center of our faith. I can only imagine their faces when they see what you have provided. Thank you, thank you.

Special thanks to our **Elf volunteers** who came to campus and helped us process, inventory and record over 1,000 gifts this year. It was a large endeavor but we got it done and had fun doing it!

Thanks also to **Pat Tripp** and the **Elf Express drivers** who went around to our partner churches to pick up and deliver loads of gifts. You made all the difference!

Finally, I want to say thank you to the new friends who joined us this year – the **Discipleship Ministries** ladies, and the families from **South City Athletic Club** who volunteered in multiple ways this year. Welcome and thank you!

I pray you and yours receive tenfold all that you have given in support of our children and families.

Wishing you a very Happy New Year!

Diane

November 2023 FINANCIALS

Unrestricted donations	\$ 18,940	YTD Unrestricted	\$176,228
Other Income		YTD Other	\$ 70,873
Total Income	\$18,940		\$247,101
Total Operating Expenses	\$19,311	YTD	\$253,820
Net	\$ 371		\$ 6719

2024 FLOWER CALENDAR



Please consider honoring or remembering a loved one or event, by providing flowers for the sanctuary. The new flower calendar is on the wall for. It is by the north, ramp side entrance. Johnna will add the information to the bulletin and the entire congregation can enjoy the flowers on Sunday.

Reminder

Please have your
Newsletter
contributions/submissions to both
Nancy Post at ntpostx@gmail.com
and Johnna Breedon at
cpcwax@gmail.com by the 20th of
each month.
No computer? No problem.
Please just submit to the office.
Thank you!

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Garden Group was busy this month, cooking with the vegetables we grew. We made homemade tomato soup with the tomatoes, onions, and basil. We will continue our work in the garden as weather permits.



Happy New Year !

Waxahachie Caregiver Support Group

Every second Tuesday of the month, from 6:30 –7:30 pm, there will be a Waxahachie Caregiver Support Group Meeting at Central Presbyterian Church. The group is led by Marie Gardner, and it focuses on those who are caregivers or ones affected by Alzheimer's or dementia. Together you will:

- ◆ Exchange practical information on caregiving challenges & solutions
- ◆ Talk through issues and ways of coping
- ◆ Share feelings, needs and concerns
- ◆ Learn about community resources

This group will meet once a month, on the 2nd Tuesday. For more information, contact Marie Gardner at 214-450-3849.



NOTICE FILMING IN PROGRESS

To include those who are not able to worship in person,
worship services may be filmed.

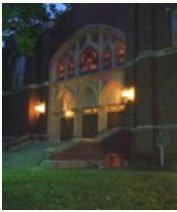
We have reserved the back third of the sanctuary
as a no-film zone.
Please sit where you feel most comfortable.



Lay reader or liturgist?

Two terms that mean assisting in worship, reading the scripture, and leading other parts of the worship service on Sunday morning. We have a new year of worship opportunities with an opportunity for new leaders. Please contact Alex Galeti at 516-473-4748 (call or text) or e-mail AlexGaleti@RaymondJames.com to learn more.

Jesus is calling—you?



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 Worship Service 11:00 am

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 9:45 Andrews Class 11:00 am Worship in Sanctuary	8	9	10 7:00 Chancel Choir	11 10:00 PW Women's Circle 6:30 Memory Support Group	12	13 8:00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast 6:00 Saturday Seekers
14 9:45 Andrews Class 11:00 am Worship in Sanctuary	15	16	17 7:00 Chancel Choir	18	19	20
21 9:45 Andrews Class 11:00 am Worship in Sanctuary	22	23	24 7:00 Chancel Choir	25	26	27
28 9:45 Andrews Class 11:00 am Worship in Sanctuary	29	30	31			