

THE OUTLOOK

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF WAXAHACHIE

402 N College Street
Waxahachie, TX 75165



July 2024

A Note from Fred:

Tis the season for vacations. Do you like going to the beach, or maybe the mountains, or could it be the lake, or maybe you enjoy going out of the country? Many of us like to get away from our everyday life and take a vacation, but on more than one occasion I have heard, “I need a vacation to recover from my vacation.” That can happen because we get away from our daily routines and we find exciting new things to do and see. We fill our vacation time with activities, even if it’s only sight-seeing.

A vacation is a get away from our daily responsibilities. But the non-routine activities can also be stressful because we don’t know what to expect.

God created us to need rest. We typically sleep one third of the day, eight hours, every day. I have found that the older I get the longer it takes me to recover when I do not get enough sleep. We know we need rest, but sometimes we are like little children needing a nap and not wanting to take the nap.

The fourth commandment says, “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.” We are to spend six days working and one day we are to rest from our labors. We are not to be consumed with work, but we are to give the day to the Lord. We need time away from the daily tasks that consume our lives. God knows this about us and calls us to take time to refresh our lives.

Refreshing our lives is more than an absence of our daily routine, it is taking time away from our routine and looking towards God. Psalm 46:11 says, “Be still and know that I am God.” How often are you still? In the mornings I grab a cup of coffee and go outside with a dog or two. It should be a time of relaxation and reflection, but often I bring my cellphone with me. The multitude of apps available on that one little device can easily fill up the time it takes me to drink one or two cups of coffee. I am now working leaving my phone alone when I first get up. I need that time to spend with God daily. And when I am waiting around during the day, I plan to keep my phone out of my hands more often.

Technology is wonderful. We use all of this new technology for many wonderful things, but we need to make time to set down our screens and make more time for God. When we do that, we will find we are more rested and ready for the new day.

Grace and peace,

Fred



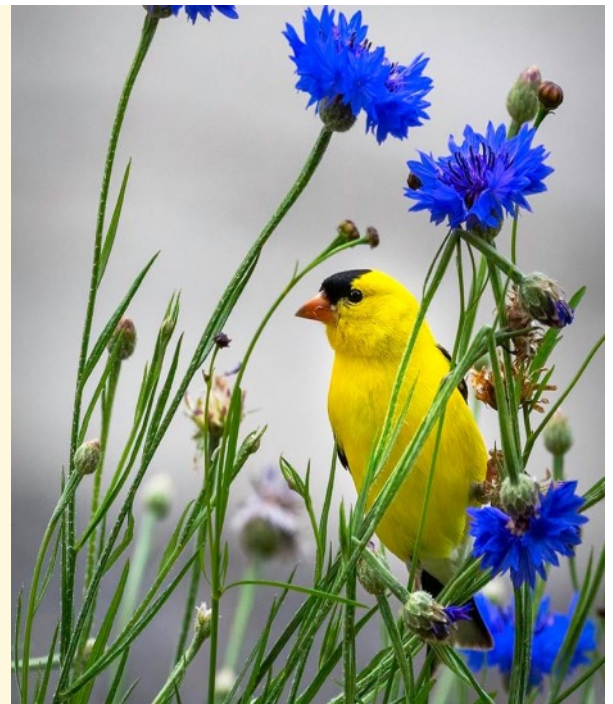
July Birthdays

Monique Barksdale	4	Barbara Hill	13
Cheryl Arey	5	Bobby McMillian	13
Gary Spurr	8	Chris Hauffe	15
Dian Cooper	6	Alex Galeti	19
Jessica Hallett	6	W D Price	26
Belva Crocker	11		

*Beside them the birds of the heavens dwell;
they lift up their voices among the branches.*

Psalm 104:12

Please provide your birthday to the church office. We, along with your friends, want to wish you a happy birthday!



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 Alex Galeti@RaymondJames.com to learn more.

Jesus is calling—you?

Congregational Care

A new team is being formed with CPC members and friends who are able to provide transportation for members and friends of our congregation that need transportation to doctor appointments, or other activities. A list of those accessible drivers is available through Johnna in the church office. Please feel free to contact her if a need arises.



FLOWER CALENDAR

Just a reminder that the 2024 Flower Calendar is on the wall in the side entrance by the ramp. Please consider honoring or remembering a loved one or event. Johnna will add the information to the bulletin and the entire congregation can enjoy the flowers on Sunday.

Fellowship & Worship Opportunities

Sunday School

Children and Adult Sunday School Classes meet at 9:30 am, Sundays, in the undercroft.

**Men's Fellowship Breakfast
2nd Saturday of each month
8:00 am, in the undercroft**

Chancel Choir meets Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm.

Ministry Team Meeting Schedule

These teams meet immediately following worship:

Worship, First Sunday of the month

Mission/Congregational Care, Second Sunday of the month

Discipleship, Third Sunday of the month

Finance/Admin., Third Monday of the month

If you want more information about the ministry teams listed, please join us for one of the meetings. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Back To School Opportunities

This year, CPC has been asked to provide 800 packs of wide-ruled notebook paper for **Operation First Day of School**. You can bring your donations to church or during the week, to the church office. The cut-off date is July 29.

Central Presbyterian Church is continuing our decades long partnership with **Presbyterian Children's Home and Services** as we help provide school supplies for some of the students. Below you will see three Sign-up Genius links, divided by age group, where you can volunteer to purchase certain supplies for these students. These supplies need to be at the church by July 14. We value your participation. Thank you, CPC Mission Committee.

- PreK-K <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C45ABAE29A0FBC52-50049288-2024>
- 1st-6th <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C45ABAE29A0FBC52-50009952-2024>
- 7th-12th <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C45ABAE29A0FBC52-50009965-2024>

One-By-One Ministries here in Waxahachie is looking for women volunteers to help expectant and new moms who may feel alone or unprepared to be a parent. One-By-One Ministry equips women from local congregations to serve as mentors and match them with an expectant mom who is asking for help. Mentors offer support, friendship and love to the mom. Mentors also equip moms to be the best parent they can be, and finally, mentors assure moms of their value and worth, sharing the hope of Christ.

Mentors are **trained** to make visits with the mom using the **curriculum provided** by One-By-One. Moms are referred by pregnancy centers, health clinics, churches, schools and other community partners.

Mentors are expected to have at least one in-person meeting each month each and on-going weekly contact by phone or text. Mentors meet with mom beginning prenatally and continuing until the child's first birthday. Mentors **do not** provide transportation, money or baby sitting.

One-By-One Ministries desires "to strengthen families, to reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect through parent education, and improve the parenting skills of this generation to impact the next generation."

If you are interested in becoming a mentor or wish to know more about this opportunity to help an expectant mom, please contact Fancy Jezek, at fancyjezek@yahoo.com.

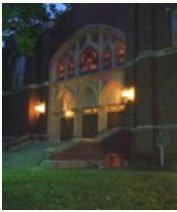


Flags Flying at CPC Honor our Nation and Benefit our Community

We will have flags placed on College Street by the Rotary Club of Waxahachie. The cost of these flags is \$100 each and the proceeds from the flag program provide funding for many community projects, including several of our mission partners. If you would like to donate to this program, please send your check to the church office and mark "Flag Program", in the memo line. Waxahachie Care, Hope Clinic, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Habitat for Humanity, Baylor Medical Center, Gingerbread House, Common Ground Ministries and many other community organizations are served with these funds.

MAY 2024 FINANCIALS

Unrestricted donations	\$ 14,351	YTD Unrestricted	\$107,925
Other Income	\$ 0	YTD Other	\$ 46,622
Total Income	\$ 14,351		\$154,547
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 24,295	YTD	\$132,379
Net	\$ 9,944		\$ 22,168



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July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6 Saturday Seekers
7 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Worship MT	8	9	10 7:00 Chancel Choir	11	12	13 8:00 am Men's Fellowship
14 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Mission MT	15	16	17 7:00 Chancel Choir	18 6:00 Memory Care Support	19	20
21 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Discipleship MT	22 10:00 am Administration/ Personnel MT	23	24 7:00 Chancel Choir	25	26	27
28 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Session	29	30	31 7:00 Chancel Choir			