

THE OUTLOOK

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WAXAHACHIE

402 N College Street
Waxahachie, TX 75165

September 2023

A Note from Fred:

In the Great Commission Jesus said we are to make disciples by going to them, baptizing them, and teaching them. Over the next several months we will have three opportunities where we can step outside the church and go to others to help make disciples.

On October 1, Central Presbyterian Church is joining seven other churches in Waxahachie participating in WOW 2023, Worship Outside the Walls. On that Sunday the church, you and I, will not meet in our building at 402 N. College Street, but instead we will go out into our community to participate in construction opportunities, community service, and worship opportunities with those who are unable to go to church. You can see the various opportunities at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044DAFAD23A02-worship#/>

I am going to be helping at Daniel's Den. We have several people going to worship at one of our local retirement homes. And Central Presbyterian will be making cookies and cards for some of our local first responders. I hope you will join us this Sunday.

On Saturday, October 14, Central will host Park and Praise, a fall festival open to the community that is held in Fellowship Park from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will be music, games, cotton candy, hot dogs, a bounce house, face painting and much more. Come and enjoy the activities and help out.

Finally, I am so excited about Bethlehem Revisited, which will take place over two weekends: December 1, 2 & 3, and December 8, 9, & 10. In 1997 Central Presbyterian created this event that grew so large that it is now put on by the City of Waxahachie. Over the years, Central has lessened our involvement with outreach event. It is time for us to jump back into this fabulous retelling of Jesus' birth. People from all over the state come to see this. If you are interested in helping, please contact me. There are many different opportunities.

Let us go out and serve our community!

Grace and peace,

Fred





Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

James 1:17

October Birthdays

John Hamilton	2
Jo Ann Doan	7
Jeanie Killough	10
Chase Barksdale	13
Margaret Felty	18
Jason Willett	28

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

Thyme in the Garden

This past month the garden group has worked on keeping the weeds out of the vegetable beds and watering. We have planted pumpkins and still have some tomato plants. We are hoping to have both crops ready for fall.

We held a "College Departure" party for Marcus Sweet. He graduated and left to start his education at Texas Tech, in Lubbock. One of the items he received was a beautiful hand-painted apron, to remember his time with his friends in the garden. It was painted by our fellow garden friend, Delia Olivo, and signed by everyone in the group. He is greatly missed but we are so excited for his future. We are blessed by our friendships and time spent together.



All Saints Day

To Remember and Give Thanks

October 29, 2023

11:00 am

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF AUGUST 2023

Unrestricted donations	\$ 11,285	YTD Unrestricted	\$136,293
<u>Other Income</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>YTD Other</u>	<u>\$ 70,220</u>
Total Income	\$11,285		\$ 206,513
<u>Total Operating Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 26,049</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>\$ 189,256</u>
Net	\$ 14,764		\$ 17,257

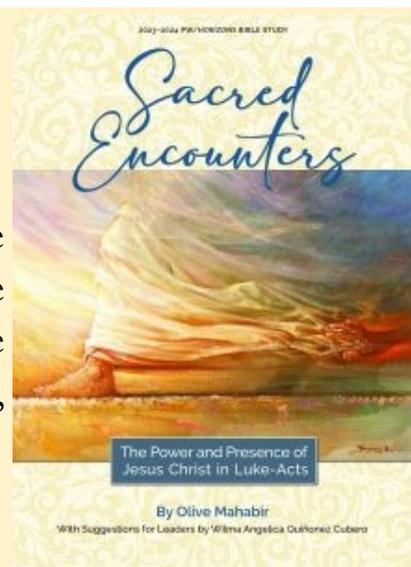
WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

WOW Sunday (Worship Outside the Walls) Sunday, October 1

Sunday, October 1, we will not have a worship service in the sanctuary of CPC. We will again participate with six other churches in the community doing community projects and worship services all over Ellis County. The SignUpGenius is at wowhachie.org to sign up for a work, community, or worship site to attend. There are still many slots to be filled.

Presbyterian Women's Circles *Second Thursday of each month, 10:00 am*

The Presbyterian Women's Circles will begin meeting in the church parlor on the second Thursday of each month. The book study is *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts*. If you have any questions, please talk to Dian Cooper or Cheryl Arey.



Grace Presbyterian Women 2023 FALL GATHERING

Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness
like an ever-flowing stream.
Amos 5:24 Grace

First Presbyterian Church
606 Mockingbird Lane
Weatherford, TX 76056
October 21, 2023, 9:30-2:00



Business meeting, Installation of Officers, Offering Collection, Keynote Speaker: Kristen Campbell, Communion/Worship Service, Mission Tables (checks and cash accepted for supporting missions through purchases).

Lunch will be served, \$10 payable by check made payable and mailed to: Grace First Presbyterian Church



Opportunities to Serve



WAXAHACHIE CARE THANKSGIVING BASKETS

The past few years, Waxahachie CARE has blessed families in our community with Thanksgiving Baskets. We have been asked to collect cans of sweet potatoes for the baskets this year. Our goal is to collect 600 cans by the end of October. There are boxes in the sanctuary labeled "Sweet Potatoes" to collect the donations. If you have any questions, please see Fancy Jezek, our Waxahachie Care Mission Partner Liaison.



PARK AND PRAISE FALL FESTIVAL OCTOBER 14, 10:00 AM—3:00 PM



Our Fall Festival will be October 14, this year. If you would like to serve on the planning team, and/or participate by helping out that day, please contact Cheryl Loper or Dee Dreckshage. This is a community wide event. We will serve hotdogs, cotton candy, have a bounce house, praise band, face painting, games, and a photo booth. The celebration will take place in Fellowship Park from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Volunteer sheets are located at each of the church entrances. We need a lot of people to bring this fun event to our church family and the community. PLEASE sign up.



Are you **interested in the environment**? Do you feel called to address our environmental issues through efforts of Central Presbyterian Church? If so, there is a place for you on our Mission/Congregational Care Ministry Team.

CPC has been designated as an EARTHCARE CONGREGATION and has held that designation for many years. We currently encourage recycling, and we have a community garden, which is open to the public. In the past, we have sponsored a **Shreddit** event, which was very popular with the Waxahachie and Ellis County Community. We are currently need a team of two or three, who would like to continue to promote this ministry.

There is an Earthcare Conference being held at camp Gilmont on October 30 through November 2. The fee for the conference is \$100 for the first 15 people who register. This would be an excellent learning opportunity for someone interested in this ministry. The fee includes lodging and meals. Please contact Cheryl Loper if you are interested and would like more information.

“Furthermore, when God created mankind, he gave them dominion over all creatures on earth—including plants and animals—which meant they were supposed to care for all living things in order to show their worthiness as human beings made in His image according to His likeness.”

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.

Sign up for CPC updates and reminders by e-mail by contacting:
cpcwax@gmail.com

FLOWER CALENDAR



Please consider honoring or remembering a loved one or event, by providing flowers for the sanctuary. There is a new flower calendar on the wall for 2023. 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.



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?



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.

Reminder

Please have your Newsletter contributions/submissions to both Nancy Post at ntposttx@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!





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October 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 WOW No Worship Service but will make cards for 1st responders at church.	2 6:30 Jubilate Ringers	3 10:30 Dr. Thrower Bible Study	4 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	5	6	7
8 10:00 Choir 10:30 Coffee 11:00 am Worship	9 6:30 Jubilate Ringers	10 10:30 Dr. Thrower Bible Study 6:30 Caregivers Mtg.	11 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	12 10:00 am Presbyterian Women	13	14 Park & Praise
15 10:30 Coffee 11:00 am Worship 12:00 Mission MT	16 6:30 Jubilate Ringers	17	18 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	19	20	21
22 10:30 Coffee 11:00 am Worship	23 10:00 Finance 6:30 Jubilate Ringers	24 10:30 Dr. Thrower Bible Study	25 7:00 pm Chancel Choir	26	27	28
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