

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, January 1, 2023

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements:	Larry Merrifield
Scripture:	TBA
Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	Carroll Dyson
Communion:	
	Jim McCain, Tad Morton, John Vie

Sermon:	JERROD HAMMOND
Closing Prayer:	Bob Hadley

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements:	Larry Merrifield
Scripture:	Revelation 12:10-12
Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	Larry Merrifield
Sermon:	THE WORD OF VICTORY
Communion:	Tad Morton
Closing Prayer:	Robert Berry

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	TBA
Closing Prayer:	David Adkins



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

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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**

MARRIAGE

Thus far in our study we have noticed the recently signed legislation called the “Respect for Marriage Act” is in reality a mockery of what the Bible teaches concerning marriage. Jesus took the people of His day back to God’s original plan for marriage as recorded in Mark 10:6-9. We have looked at God’s Law for Marriage (Genesis 2:15-25); we also noticed that Marriage is Permanent (Romans 7:1-3); and Fornication is the Only Reason for Divorce and Subsequent Remarriage (Matthew 19:1-12).

Key Principles and Scriptures

- God Hates Divorce (Malachi 2:16),
- The High Cost of Divorce (1 Timothy 5:8),
- Protecting Your Marriage (Hebrew 13:4).

When two scripturally eligible people decide to marriage, the marriage must be based on the principles that God originated and designed marriage, He knows what is best for our marriage, and we intend to marry until separated by death.

God hates divorce and this is seen in the safeguards He has placed protecting marriage (Matt. 19:3-9). The disciples were so shocked by the stringent laws Jesus placed upon marriage and divorce that they felt it was better not to marry (Matt. 19:10-12).

The High Cost of Divorce. It is an indisputable fact that divorce is devastating. It is devastating to the husband, the wife, the children, and the nation and more importantly to the church. In reality, only God truly knows the damage that divorce has done to His children. It is clear that children are much better off living in a family functioning as God designed it.

Next week we will consider some ways to protect our marriage

Kerry Clark

Happy New Year

Attendance: 12-25-22

AM: 46 PM: 30 Wednesday: 22

Contribution: \$1,542

Weekly Budget: \$2,455

Our sympathy goes out to Jim McCain and his family at the loss of his sister, **Mary Lou Betts.**

Carl Adams, Mary’s brother-in-law, is now home, but doing better.

Kerry’s **Uncle Johnny** is in rehab and has contracted the virus.

Cathy Smith, neighbor of Lois Bewley, is at home sick.

Donnie Lamar, Mary Adam’s niece’s husband, is in the hospital with the virus.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Don Bentley; Britt Price; Cathy Garrett; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Cheryl Jennings; Pat & Brenda Tolbert; Sandra Tankersley; Martha Sullivan; Tavenner Family; Janet Skipworth; Gail Kirchling; Dude Hemphill; Denise Fuentes

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

1/8 – Men’s Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

1/15 – Review of Men’s Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

1/29 – Potluck Lunch

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Everyone Loved!**



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