

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 10, 2021**

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **1 Cor. 12:20-26**
Song Leader: Rick Hull
Opening Prayer: Rick Hull
Communion:

Rodney Holton, Britt Price, Pat Tolbert

Sermon: **A BETTER CHURCH BEGINS WITH ME**
Closing Prayer: Rodney Holton

Evening Worship (6:00 pm)

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **1 Tim. 3:15**
Song Leader: Rick Hull
Opening Prayer: Pat Tolbert
Sermon: **I LOVE THE CHURCH**
Communion: Britt Price
Closing Prayer: Britt Price

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Rick Hull
Opening Prayer: Larry Merrifield
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 **6:00 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**

A Candle in the Wind (Part Two)

By Kerry Clark

But, how many Christians live their lives like the one described in the song, "like a candle in the wind?" Paul warned Christians of this very thing in Ephesians 4:11-14, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive." How many of us have truly studied our Bibles enough to know right from wrong? Please consider this statement found in Hebrews 5:12-14, "For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil." How many Christians will be destroyed for their lack of knowledge? Hosea wrote, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children" (Hos. 4:6). Brethren, how many Christians are carried away with false doctrines? Peter wrote, "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not" (2 Pet. 2:1-3). We are in the midst of a great apostasy in the Lord's church and we cannot afford to bury our heads in the sand or we cannot be like a candle in the wind!

Brethren, it is time for Christians to be the light of the world that God wants us to be. Let us resolve to study our Bibles more. Our prayer is that no one lives their life like a candle in the wind, but that we live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world (Titus 2:12).

Attendance: 1-3-2021

AM – 33 PM – 17 Wednesday – 18

Contribution: \$3,230

Weekly Budget: \$2,417

PRAYER REQUESTS AND UPDATES:

Billy Wright is improving slightly, but still weak from COVID.

Mary Adams' family, niece-Joann Lamar, her husband-Donnie, Mary's sister-Bonnie Trussell, have all been affected by COVID or the results. They need our prayers.

Fredda Sparks is doing much better after a trip to the ER.

Marva Adkins has been able to see her doctor and is on the way to feeling much better!

CONTINUE PRAYING FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Dub & Elouise Moore; Candy & Carroll Dyson; Anna Thiede; Mac & Zelma Montgomery; Cheryl Jennings; Don Gilmore; Eleanor Eastep; Brenda Tolbert; Nancy Townsend; Dan Manuel; Amy Tischler; David Tyree; Rick Williams; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Jordan Herring; Mary Lou Betts; Matt Brazeal; Diane Harris; Rick and Bonnie Pierce; June Cobb; Janet Brinkmann; Nicole Kirkpatrick; Bob Nolen; Billy Wright

Service members: Reece Hudson; Kris Fleming; Pate Scott; Casey Clark; Trevor Garcia; Ryan Dallas; Alexandria Dallas; Colby Kelley.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TODAY – Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

1/17 – Review of Men's Business Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

1/31 – Potluck Luncheon

Services are now available online: Please take advantage of our online services if you are unable to attend!

<https://www.youtube.com> (search for Central church of Christ Athens, TX).

Covid-19 warnings: Please keep in mind the virus is still active and take every precaution necessary. If you are sick, please stay home. If you are concerned with catching this virus, please prayerfully consider whether you are comfortable returning to services at this time.

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

