

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, October 24, 2021**

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Matthew 16:13-20**
Song Leader: Doyle Avant
Opening Prayer: Rodney Holton
Communion:

Robert Berry, Jim McCain, Tad Morton

Sermon: **KINGDOM SERIES - THE KINGDOM: IS IT IMPORTANT?**
Closing Prayer: Larry Merrifield

Evening Worship (6:00 pm)

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Proverbs 6:16-19**
Song Leader: Doyle Avant
Opening Prayer: John Goodroe
Sermon: **SEVEN THINGS GOD HATES: A PROUD LOOK**
Communion: Robert Berry
Closing Prayer: David Adkins

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Alan Hill
Opening Prayer: Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer: Rodney Holton



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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**

KINGDOM SERIES: IS IT IMPORTANT?

Matthew 16:13-20

INTRODUCTION:

1. In our sermon last week, we noted that the Bible teaches that the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Heaven, and the Church are synonymous terms describing different aspects of the same entity.
2. In our lesson this morning, we will show the importance of the Kingdom of God or the Church of Christ.
3. We are going to see the importance of the church by showing three facts about the church, which testify to her importance.

DISCUSSION:

1. THE PLANNING FOR THE KINGDOM.

1. One way to see the importance of something is to see the planning that went into it.
2. Genesis 3:15.
3. Galatians 4:4.
4. Isaiah 2:1-3.

2. THE PURCHASE PRICE FOR THE KINGDOM.

1. The value of an object can be determined by the price we are willing to pay for it.
2. God paid for the church by the blood of Christ (Acts 20:28).
3. Therefore, the church is important.

3. THE KINGDOM IS PERMANENT.

1. The importance of something is also determined by how long it lasts.
2. Daniel 2:44.
3. 1 Cor. 15:24.

Services are now available online: Please take advantage of our online services. <https://www.youtube.com> (search for Central church of Christ Athens, TX).

Attendance: 10-17-2021

AM: 52 PM: 41 Wednesday: 30

Contribution: \$3,360

Weekly Budget: \$2,417

PRAYER REQUESTS AND UPDATES:

We are so happy to welcome **Cathy Garrett** to our family. She lives at the same apartment complex as Sandy. We are thrilled to have both of these ladies with us! Welcome to Central!

Ms. Ann Thiede fell again this week. She was taken to the hospital.

Evan Hoisington was able to return to school Monday.

Martha Sullivan, Mary Adams' sister, is home now and improving. She still needs our prayers.

Sandra Tankersley is in room P1005 at MDA. She is improving from her surgery. Everything is going well so far!

We were so sorry to hear of **Sandy Cole's** husband, **John**, passing away Thursday. Graveside services will be in Katy at a later date. Please keep the Cole Family in your prayers.

CONTINUE PRAYING FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Anna Thiede; June Cobb; Lisa & Lloyd Flud, Jordan Herring; Cheryl Jennings; Don Gilmore; Brenda Tolbert; Nancy Townsend; David Tyree; Rick Williams; Mary Lou Betts; Diane Harris; Janet Brinkmann; Bob Nowlin; Luke Ayars; Bob and Sandra Tankersley; Lawrence and Sharon McMillan; Kathryn Bullock; Raymond Jones; Lisa Coffin; Martha Sullivan; Whitney Shipp; Wade Hampton; Dana & Paula Bell; Michelle Wright; Billy Lock; Juliann Sameron

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

10/24 – 27 – Mabank Gospel Meeting (flyer on bulletin board)

10/31 – Potluck Luncheon

11/7 – Daylight Savings Time Ends ... Fall Back One Hour!

11/11-13 – Men's Retreat at Camp Ida

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*



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