

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 29, 2023

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Hebrews 12:28**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Bob Hadley
Communion:

John Goodroe, Britt Price, Pat Tolbert

Sermon: **REVERENCE IN LIVING (Brant Stubblefield)**

Closing Prayer: Bob Vie

Afternoon Worship 12:30 pm

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield
Scripture: **Psalm 112**
Song Leader: Britt Price
Opening Prayer: Don Bentley
Sermon: **THE FRUIT OF REVERENCE (Brant Stubblefield)**

Communion: John Goodroe

Closing Prayer: Allen Benge

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Don Bentley
Opening Prayer: Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer: Rodney Holton



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

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Minister

Kerry Clark

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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**

REVERENCE

King David, the sweet singer of Israel, wrote, "God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him." (Psalm 89:7). David recognized the need for reverence, especially toward God. Sadly, in our world today we are seeing a tremendous amount of irreverence. It is not uncommon to hear TV commercials proclaiming that something is irreverent! Many of the problems which exist in the world today is because we have lost our sense of reverence, especially pertaining to God. Sadly, even among folks who claim to be religious, there is a lack of reverence.

The word reverence means, "A feeling of profound awe and respect and often love. synonym: honor; An act showing respect, especially a bow or curtsy" (The American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language, 5th Edition). The writer of Hebrews wrote, "Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear" (12:28). The word reverence in the Greek means "with eyes downcast."

With these thoughts in our minds let us notice the practical application of what we have noted thus far. Reverence is honor that we show, ultimately, toward God. In our worship of God that reverence is to be directed toward God. To Him belongs honor, because all honor and glory is due Him (1 Timothy 1:17; Romans 15:6).

Our reverence toward God is not based on some external influence, such as dimming the lights; but rather; but rather on the profound influence of the Word of God upon our spirit. Jesus told us "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" John 4:23-24).

We are grateful for your presence and let us approach God this day in reverence and godly fear.

Kerry Clark

Attendance: 10/22/23

AM: 55 PM: 31 Wednesday: 24

Contribution:\$1,785

Weekly Budget: \$2,510

Terrie Gray's Mother, **Freddie Hemphill**, remains in the hospital. We have not heard if they had to remove her foot.

Lloyd Flud got a good report from the heart doctor this week.

Nelda Danforth remains in the nursing home. She is not doing as well as we have hoped.

Billy Wright is progressing well at this time.

Amy McCready, Lynn's daughter-in-law's sister from Cross Plains, was in a car wreck. She will be in the hospital then rehab.

Our sympathy to Carol Hudson and family on the death of **Nancy Moore**, their son-in-law's sister. She passed away following a motorcycle accident

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Billy Wright; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Cheryl Jennings; Pat & Brenda Tolbert; Gail Kirchling; Kathy Smith; Dell Lott; Janet Costlow; Bob & Barbara Blythe; Jimmy Dunn; Greg Marsh; Brandy Marsh; Diane Knowlton, Jeff Knowlton; Betty Ward; Mikayla Griffin; Bob Eubanks; Martha Sullivan; Jan & Bob Owens; Rickey and Beth Abbott; Benny Lewis; Frank Lott; Cynthia Sheppard Aton; Henry LeBeau; Tereso Salazar; Lois Bewley; Barbara & Cline Tyler; Freddie Hemphill; Jim & Peggy McCain;

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/29 – Potluck - Everyone is invited to stay and attend. Afternoon services will be following the Potluck and there will be no 4 p.m. service at the building.

11/11 – Memorial Services for Sandra Tankersley at the building; 2 p.m.

Services are now available online: <https://www.youtube.com>.
(Search for Central church of Christ Athens, TX).

**Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!**

