

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 8, 2023

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements:	Larry Merrifield
Scripture:	1 Corinthians 2:11-16
Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	Jerry Kidd
Communion:	
	John Goodroe, Britt Price, Pat Tolbert

Sermon:	EXTREMEISM
Closing Prayer:	Rodney Holton

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements:	Larry Merrifield
Scripture:	2 Corinthians 4:7-18
Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	Michael Berry
Sermon:	HEAVEN WILL BE WORTH IT
Communion:	John Goodroe
Closing Prayer:	Pat Tolbert

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader:	Don Bentley
Opening Prayer:	Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer:	John Goodroe



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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**

EXTREMEISM

INTRODUCTION:

1. 1 Corinthians 2:11-16 and Revelation 22:18-19.
2. It seems to be human nature for us to go to extremes (Proverbs 4:26-27; Deuteronomy 5:32)
3. You see in life people who are “daredevils” while others seemingly are paralyzed by fear, who will hardly leave their house (Matthew 22:29).
4. The God we serve is neither a “daredevil” or One Who is paralyzed with fear.
5. Colossians 3:17.

DISCUSSION:

1. ANTI-SIM.

1. Acts 15:1-29.
2. 1 Timothy 4:1-5.
3. We must understand the difference between these words:
 1. Expediency (something that aides carrying out a command, example: a song book),
 2. Optional (something that is not absolute, example: baptistry),
 3. Judgment (how to best use an expediency, example: eating in the building),
 4. Addition (adding something which is not authorized, example: piano).
4. Modern examples of anti-ism: No Bible Classes, Only One Cup for communion, No divorce for any reason, etc.

2. LIBERALISM (LOOSING WHAT GOD HAS NOT LOOSED).

1. Nadab and Abihu offered strange (unauthorized) fire (Leviticus 10:1).
2. Uzziah, the king, tried to burn incense (2 Chronicles 26:16-21).
3. Modern examples of liberalism: Jesus is not God, women teaching over men, strange worship practices, and divorce for any and every reason.

3. LESSONS LEARNED.

1. Do not add to the Word of God (Deuteronomy 4:2)
2. Do not take away from the Word of God (Deuteronomy 28:14).

ADDENDUM:

ILLUSTRATION:

Suppose your father told you to go stake out a horse with twenty feet of grazing; if you decide to do it any other way, you are substituting your own will over the will of your father.

ANTI-SIM:

This doctrine is often referred to by a newer name and is being called “non-institutionalism.” A dog by any other name is still a dog. “The proliferation of human institutions and sponsoring church arrangements, all clamoring for church support, set the scene for conflict” (Jefferson Tant).

LIBERALISM:

God is liberal in the right way (James 1:5; 2 Corinthians 9:13).

Attendance: 10/1/23

AM: 58 PM: 43 Wednesday: 32

Contribution: \$2,840

Weekly Budget: \$2,510

Marva Adkins' heart ablation went well

Marie, Sarah Dyer's daughter, had a biopsy of her esophagus and stomach last week and is waiting for results.

Lois Bewley is being treated for a blood clot in her leg.

Brenda Tolbert spent a couple of nights in the ER. She is now home and doing better.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Billy Wright; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Cheryl Jennings; Pat & Brenda Tolbert; Sandra Tankersley; Gail Kirchlring; 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 Tyer

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

10/13 & 14 – BCS students to help door knocking.

10/15 – Review of Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

10/19 – Ladies Bible Class Lunch and Game Day

10/20 – Fish Fry and Game Night

10/22-25 – Gospel Meeting, Mabank church of Christ (see flyer on bulletin board)

10/27-29 –Lectureship (see flyer on table for times)

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

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

