

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, February 5, 2023

Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements:	Larry Merrifield
Scripture:	Matthew 16:13-18
Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	Carroll Dyson
Communion:	
	John Goodroe, Britt Price, Pat Tolbert

Sermon:	CHRISTIANITY 101: THE CHURCH
Closing Prayer:	Bob Hadley

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements:	Larry Merrifield
Scripture:	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Song Leader:	Britt Price
Opening Prayer:	Don Bentley
Sermon:	WILL THERE BE A RAPTURE?
Communion:	Pat Tolbert
Closing Prayer:	Michael Berry

Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader:	Don Bentley
Opening Prayer:	Kerry Clark
Closing Prayer:	Larry Merrifield



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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**

CHRISTIANITY 101: THE CHURCH

(Mat. 16:13-18)

INTRODUCTION:

1. When I thought about becoming a member of the church, I was confused.
2. Have you ever been confused like I was? There are so many different denominations. There are so many different religious practices. There are so many different beliefs. It can make us feel like a mouse in a maze.
3. An objective study of God's Word reveals that we do not have to be confused about the church.

DISCUSSION:

1. IDENTIFY THE BUILDER OF THE CHURCH.

1. Christ is the builder of the church in the Bible (Matthew 16:13ff). She belongs to Christ (Psalm 127:1; Romans 16:16). She was built approximately 33 A.D.
2. Christ is the foundation upon which the church is built (1 Cor. 3:11; Eph. 2:20; Mat. 15:13).
3. Christ is the head of the church (Ephesians 1:22-23). His plan is for everyone to be united in this one body (John 17:20-22; Eph. 2:14-17). Division is condemned in the Bible (1 Corinthians 1:10).

2. LOCATE THE BEGINNING OF THE CHURCH.

1. The church that you read about in the Bible began in the city of Jerusalem. This happened on the day of Pentecost following the ascension of our Lord. This was in fulfillment of O.T. prophecies (Daniel 2:44; Micah 4:1-5; Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2:16).
2. The church was then planted elsewhere. The church is referred to in three different ways: Locally (1 Corinthians 1:2), regionally (Galatians 1:2), and universally (Colossians 1:18).

3. THE BIBLE-BASED CHURCH.

1. The church is Bible based. The Word of God is the pattern that is to be followed in all things (2 Tim. 3:16-17; 1 Thess. 5:21).
2. The plan of salvation comes from the Bible.
3. The way of worship comes from the Bible. John 4:24; Acts 2:42 - One must Pray, Sing, partake of the Lord's Supper, Give, and hear the Bible Preached every Lord's Day.
4. The work of the church comes from the Bible (Mark 16:15-16, Gal. 6:2,10; James 1:27).
5. The way of life for members of the church comes from the Bible (Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 10:25; Matthew 6:33).

Attendance: 01/29/23

PM: 64 PM: 31 Wednesday: (closed for weather)

Contribution: \$2,004

Weekly Budget: \$2,510

Gail Kirchling, the McCain's niece, is having complications with her chemo. They had to give her a transfusion.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; Don Bentley; Cathy Garrett; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Cheryl Jennings; Pat & Brenda Tolbert; Sandra Tankersley; Gail Kirchling; Denise Fuentes; Kathy Smith; Tony Clark; Dell Lott; Rick Flurry; Roger Busby; Janet Costlow; Benny Lewis

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2/9 – Ladies' Lunch and Game Day

2/12 – Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

2/12 – Ladies' Day Planning Session – 5 p.m.

2/17 – Game Night at the Building

2/18 – Memorial Service for June Cobb – 2 p.m.

2/19 – Review of Men's Business Meeting – 5 p.m.

2/26 – Potluck Lunch

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

If anyone is in need of help following the winter weather, please contact us. We will try to help anyone that is in need.

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

