

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, April 25, 2021  
Morning Worship**

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield  
Scripture: **1 Peter 4:16**  
Song Leader: Dennis Thomas  
Opening Prayer: Larry Merrifield  
Communion:  
John Goodroe, Alan Hill, Britt Price

Sermon: **HOW TO GLORIFY GOD**  
Closing Prayer: Britt Price

**Afternoon Worship (12:30 pm)**

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield  
Scripture: **Psalms 35:1-28**  
Song Leader: Dennis Thomas  
Opening Prayer: Pat Tolbert  
Sermon: **PLEAD MY CAUSE, O LORD**  
Communion: John Goodroe  
Closing Prayer: David Adkins

**Wednesday (6:00pm)**

Song Leader: TBA  
Opening Prayer: Rick Hull  
Closing Prayer: John Goodroe



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

**Sunday, April 25, 2021**

**Minister**

Kerry Clark  
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**Sundays:** Bible Class **9:00 am**  
Worship **10:00 am**  
**Worship 12:30 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**

## HOW TO GLORIFY GOD

### 1 Peter 4:16

#### 1. BY BEARING FRUIT (John 15:8).

1. No doubt every child of God is commanded to bear fruit.
2. Fruit can be used in two senses. There is the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-26). This fruit is born in the character of the Christian.
3. There is also the fruit of producing other Christians; in other words, as we teach and preach the Gospel, souls are added to the church (Romans 1:13).

#### 2. BY THE PROPER USE OF THE MOUTH (Romans 15:6).

1. God designed us with a mouth to be used to glorify Him (Romans 15:6 and Psalm 19:14).
2. God also instructed on how to not use our mouths (James 3).

#### 3. BY OUR DAILY LIVING (1 Corinthians 6:20).

1. Christianity is a daily walk (Luke 9:23).
2. 1 Corinthians 6:18-20.

#### 4. BY SUFFERING FOR CHRIST (1 Peter 4:16).

1. The Bible teaches that suffering is a normal part of life because we now live in a fallen world (Job 14:1). Since we make bad decisions and the people around us make bad decisions, suffering has become a part of the human experience.
2. 1 Peter 4:12-19.

#### 5. BY OUR WORKS OF LOVE (John 17:4).

1. Jesus prayed to the Father about finishing the work He had been given.
2. John 13:34-35.
3. John 15:12,17.
4. Romans 12:10.
5. 1 John 4:7,11,12; and 2 John 5.

### BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

We are no longer going to petition off pews. We will be passing the trays as we did before the pandemic. We will have the unleavened bread in a container, as well as the fruit of the vine. There will be a plastic bag for disposing of your containers at the end of each pew. Please do not put the container back into the tray.

Attendance: 4-18-2021

AM – 55 PM – 25 Wednesday – 23

Contribution: \$2,440 (\$300 Project Philippines)

Weekly Budget: \$2,417

### PRAYER REQUESTS AND UPDATES:

**Rick Hull** had cataracts removed Wednesday. He is doing well.

**Jerry Frick**, Billy Wright's nephew passed away this week.

**Jack Bullock**, passed away Friday.

**Bob Hadley** received good results from his heart cath!

**Sandra Chambers**, Candy Dyson's cousin remains in critical condition.

**Bea Holton** will be having heart surgery soon.

**Raymond Jones**, Dub Moore's son-in-law was taken to the hospital last night. They think he had a heart attack.

Please be praying for all these and our regular prayer list folks.

### CONTINUE PRAYING FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Dub & Elouise Moore; Candy & Carroll Dyson; Anna Thiede; Mac & Zelma Montgomery; Cheryl Jennings; Don Gilmore; Brenda Tolbert; Nancy Townsend; Dan Manuel; David Tyree; Rick Williams; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Jordan Herring; Mary Lou Betts; Matt Brazeal; Diane Harris; Rick and Bonnie Pierce; June Cobb; Janet Brinkmann; Bob Nowlin; Billy Pippen; Luke Ayars; Bob Brent Adams; Rick Pierce; Sarah Watters; Mary Allen; Bob Tankersley; Lawrence and Sharon McMillan

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**TODAY – Potluck Luncheon** Please stay and enjoy this time with us. There will be no 6 pm service at the building today.

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).

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,  
Everyone Loved!*

