

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.



Central Church of Christ

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

Sunday, May 1, 2022

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**

Men to Serve:

Sunday, May 1, 2022

Morning Worship

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| Welcome/Announcements: | Larry Merrifield |
| Scripture: | Matthew 3:1-12 |
| Song Leader: | Britt Price |
| Opening Prayer: | Carroll Dyson |
| Communion: | |

John Goodroe, Jim McCain, Pat Tolbert

Sermon: **THE LIFE OF JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Closing Prayer: Rodney Holton

Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

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| Welcome/Announcements: | Kerry Clark |
| Scripture: | Exodus 4:1-5 |
| Song Leader: | Allen Benge |
| Opening Prayer: | Britt Price |
| Sermon: | WHAT IS THAT IN THINE HAND? |
| Communion: | Pat Tolbert |
| Closing Prayer: | Bob Hadley |

Wednesday (6:00pm)

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| Song Leader: | Alan Hill |
| Opening Prayer: | Kerry Clark |
| Closing Prayer: | Robert Berry |

THE LIFE OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

INTRODUCTION:

1. To understand the life of John, we must first read the prophesies concerning his life in the Old Testament.
2. Isaiah 40:3-5.
3. Malachi 3:1.
4. Malachi 4:5-6.

DISCUSSION:

1. JOHN'S BIRTH.

1. The Old Testament ended with a prophesy about John's birth and mission.
2. Luke 1:5-17-25.
3. Luke 1:39-80.

2. THE GREATNESS OF JOHN'S MISSION.

1. John came to bear witness of Jesus (John 1:6-9).
2. We also need to consider the demeanor of John (Matthew 3:1-12).
3. Interestingly, John was not endowed with the ability to work miracles (John 10:41-42).
4. His mission (Matthew 3:1-6; Mark 1:4-5; Mark 1:7-12; John 29-34).
5. John proclaimed Jesus is the Son of God (John 1:34)

3. JOHN'S DEATH.

1. Luke 3:19-20.
2. Herod the tetrarch (the word means ruler over $\frac{1}{4}$).
3. Herod, also called Antipas in history, is one of the sons of Herod the Great, who killed the children of Bethlehem, married his brother's wife (Philip) in violation of God's Law.
4. He murdered John because of his condemning his sins (Matthew 14:1-12).

4. JESUS' WORDS ABOUT JOHN.

1. Matthew 11:1-15.
2. Jesus said John was greater than any person born prior to this time (Matthew 11:11).
3. But John was not in the kingdom because the kingdom had not been built at this time.

Attendance: 4-24-22

AM: 46 PM: 27 Wednesday: 29

Contribution: \$1,110

Weekly Budget: \$2,455

PRAYER REQUESTS AND UPDATES:

WELCOME Bob and Judy Vie! We are so glad to have you as part of our family here! Welcome to Central!

Nicole Kirkpatrick is having serious health problems. She has been referred to specialists in Dallas.

Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; June Cobb; Lisa & Lloyd Flud, Cheryl Jennings; Don Gilmore; Brenda Tolbert; Nancy Townsend; David Tyree; Mary Lou Betts; Diane Harris; Janet Brinkmann; Bob Nowlin; Luke Ayars; Sandra Tankersley; Lawrence and Sharon McMillan; Raymond Jones; Martha Sullivan; Wade Hampton; Dana & Paula Bell; Michelle Wright; Juliann Sameron; Joe and Rebecca Glen; Ginger Tavenner and family; Emily Hill and family; Rhonda Glenna; Marsha Stephens; Nichole Kirkpatrick

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

5/7 – Camp Ida Workday

5/14 – Ladies' Day hosted by Central! 10-2 with Karla Sparks as our speaker.

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

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,
Everyone Loved!*

