

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.



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

## Sunday, September 4, 2022

Minister

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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, September 4, 2022

### Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield  
 Scripture: **Psalm 119:9-16**  
 Song Leader: Britt Price  
 Opening Prayer: Carroll Dyson  
 Communion:

Jim McCain, Britt Price, Pat Tolbert

Sermon: **HOW SHALL THE YOUNG SECURE THEIR HEARTS?**

Closing Prayer: Bob Vie

### Afternoon Worship 4:00 pm

Welcome/Announcements: Larry Merrifield  
 Scripture: **Revelation 5:1-14**  
 Song Leader: Don Bentley  
 Opening Prayer: Britt Price  
 Sermon: **GOD'S GRACE GAVE US JESUS, THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH**

Communion: Britt Price  
 Closing Prayer: David Adkins

### Wednesday (6:00pm)

Song Leader: Don Bentley  
 Opening Prayer: Kerry Clark  
 Closing Prayer: Robert Berry

## HOW SHALL THE YOUNG SECURE THEIR HEARTS?

### INTRODUCTION:

1. Psalm 119:9-16
2. Some three thousand years ago David asked this question, "how shall a young man cleanse his heart?"
3. We still ask that question today.

### DISCUSSION:

1. **BY HEEDING GOD'S WORD, VERSE 9.**
  1. First, we must be willing to be warned.
  2. The Hebrew word literally means to build a hedge around.
  3. Our hearts must be protected by the Word of God.
2. **BY TOTAL COMMITMENT, VERSE 10.**
  1. These words have been given a by rap by some.
  2. Partial allegiance is no allegiance.
  3. Jesus said the kingdom must come first (Mat. 6:33).
  4. Ecclesiastes 12:1ff.
3. **BY FILLING OUR HEARTS WITH THE WORD OF GOD, VERSE 11.**
  1. MEMORIZE GOD'S WORD.
  2. This is best done when you are young.
  3. Luke 11:24-26.
  4. Matthew 4:1-11 "It is written."
4. **BY BEING A SERIOUS STUDENT OF THE WORD OF GOD, VERSE 12.**
  1. Parents are rightly concerned with their children's secular education.
  2. What about their children's spiritual education?
  3. If Bible class teachers gave grades – I wonder what would happen!
5. **BY BEING COURAGEOUS, VERSE 13.**
  1. Imagine the impact on our world if young people spoke out about problem of global warming – I mean climate change – no on the Word of God!
  2. Be unafraid in standing for the truth.
  3. Ezekiel 22:30 see Jeremiah 5:1.
6. **BY FORMING PROPER VALUES, VERSE 14.**
  1. Psalm 119:72.
  2. John 6:63-68.
7. **RECOGNIZING THE BIBLE IS GOD'S WORD, VERSE 15.**
  1. We must recognize and teach our children the Bible is the Holy Spirit inspired, infallible, uncorrupted Word of God
  2. 1 Thessalonians 2:13.
8. **BY FINDING JOY IN DOING GOD'S WILL, VERSE 16.**
  1. 1 John 5:3.
  2. Malachi 1:13.
  3. We need to teach our children the joy of being a Christian.
  4. We need to teach our children the honor of worshipping God!

Attendance: 8-28-22

AM: 59 PM: 36 Wednesday: 32

Contribution: \$2,541

Weekly Budget: \$2,455

**Sylvia Lewis** is home and doing well.

**Randy Wilson**, father of Donna Howard's patient, was in a motorcycle/semi-truck wreck. He remains in the hospital.

**Terrie Gray** suffered a fall this week. She is bunged up but ok.

**Ryan Yates** is home from rehab. It will be a long recovery time.

**Richard Hutchison** (Cathy Garrett's brother-in-law, has a brain bleed. They are treating it. His sister, **Robin Evans**, is being tested for cancer.

### Continue Praying for The Following:

Anna Thiede; June Cobb; Lisa & Lloyd Flud; Nelda Danforth; Doyle & Laura Avant; Debra Bengel; Janet Brinkman; David Cox; Cheryl Jennings; Don Gilmore; Brenda Tolbert; Nancy Townsend; David Tyree; Mary Lou Betts; Diane Harris; Bob Nowlin; Luke Ayars; Sandra Tankersley; Raymond Jones; Martha Sullivan; Wade Hampton; Dana & Paula Bell; Michelle Wright; Joe and Rebecca Glen; Ginger Tavenner and family; Marsha Stephens; Nicole Kirkpatrick; Ryan Yates

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

9/25 – 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).

*Visitors Welcomed, Members Expected,  
Everyone Loved!*

