

Central Church of Christ

Schedule of Services

SUNDAY

Bible Class 9:30 A.M.
Worship 10:30 A.M.
Life Groups 6:00 P.M.
*1st & 3rd Sundays each
month potluck lunch &
afternoon service.*

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 6:00 P.M.

SHEPHERDS

Mike Allison
Toby Brown
Larry Stewart
Daryl Tucker

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Jewish Dealers Refuse to Sell Drugs on the Sabbath

A recent NYPD raid on the headquarters of a notorious Brooklyn drug ring uncovered a half million dollar stash of oxycodone. The ring also dealt in heroin, cocaine, and a variety of other street drugs.

But it wasn't the amount of drugs or their street value that was unusual. It was the fact that the ring leaders are "observant" Jews who refused to deal drugs during the Sabbath. They would regularly send messages to all their clients warning them not to arrive after sundown on Fridays or before sundown on Saturday.

"We are closing 7:30 on the dot and we will reopen Saturday 8:15 so if you need anything you have 45mins to get what you want," said an April message sent to over 50 recipients.

They might be drug dealers, but at least they "remember the Sabbath to keep it holy". Nevertheless, it seems the District Attorney was not impressed with their religiosity--prosecutors handed down a laundry list of indictments including possession and criminal sale of a controlled substance. The first of those arrested has already been arraigned and plead "not guilty."

It's easy to see the hypocrisy of these "observant" drug dealers. What's more difficult to see is our own hypocrisy. Do you ever dishonor God in your heart by harboring greed, pride, or dishonesty, while going through the motions of honoring Him with your religiosity? You don't have to be a drug peddler, to peddle your own brand of hypocrisy.

Matthew 15:7-9

You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you: 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules'.

I love you all, Tim

WELCOME TO CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST!!!

If you are visiting us today, we are honored you have chosen us. We hope that today's time together will help deepen your relationship with God and widen your circle of friends. We are a church family who seek to follow Jesus and be true to the Bible.

Please stay around after our assembly so that we might get to know you better. Thank you again for worshipping with us today.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements, Prayer
"Our God, He is Alive"
"We Praise Thee, O God"
"Cornerstone"
"Glory and Honor"
"Just As I Am, I Come Broken"
Message
"There's a Fountain Free"
"Tis Midnight, and on Olive's Brow"
COMMUNION
Closing Prayer

NEWS AND NOTES

- ❖ Dana Britton, former member and daughter of Doyle and Jean Love, passed away last week. She lived in Odessa.
- ❖ Funeral services for Donna Brookins-Hill were last Thursday, August 20th, in Houston. She was the granddaughter of John Brookins. The Brookins family appreciates the concern and support shown to them at this difficult time.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

23rd-Emma Brown, 24th-Toni Waldo

ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Thank you to those who are participating in the Christmas boxes endeavor. The boxes are due in the office no later than Sunday, August 30th. Please give any monetary donations to help cover the cost of shipping to an elder. Thanks!
- ❖ We continue today having one Bible class for all ages, beginning at 9:30 a.m. We are also having one worship service, starting at 10:30 a.m. We ask everyone to sit throughout the auditorium for social distancing. If you do not feel comfortable in this setting, we understand and encourage you to watch at home on our YouTube channel.
- ❖ All of our other group worship, children's classes, and other activities continue to be canceled until further notice.
- ❖ Our Wednesday evening "Pick Me Up" devotional is available every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. on our YouTube channel, "Tulia Central Church of Christ".

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Please keep the following people in your hearts and prayers:

Ray Jennings	Darla Young	Gaye Young
Melody Jennings	Linda Hodges	Lanelle Dovel
Dwight Rampley	Wynelle Waldo	
Janet Wright	Butch Moore	
Terry Cash	Margaret Huff	
Sean Chambers	Linda Hayhurst	
Lena Allison	Gigi Barlow	
Noe Jackson	Bill Huff	
Charles McKone	Carolyn Cox	
Service men and women	AIM Mission Teams	College Students

Records for 8/16/2020

Worship: 108
Contribution: \$3,162
Budgeted
Contribution: \$3,595

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