

Central Church of Christ

Schedule of Services

SUNDAY

Bible Class 9:30 A.M.

Worship 10:30 A.M.
6:00 P.M.

1st & 3rd Sundays each
month potluck lunch &
afternoon service.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class 9:30 A.M.

Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

SHEPHERDS

Mike Allison
Toby Brown
Larry Stewart
Daryl Tucker

DEACONS

Richard Combest
Ross James
Kevin Leatherman
Bobby Moudy
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Birth of a Giraffe

In Gary Richmond's book "A View From the Zoo", he describes the birth of a giraffe:

The first things to emerge are the baby giraffe's front hooves and head. A few minutes later the plucky newborn calf is hurled forth, falls ten feet, and lands on its back. Within seconds, he rolls to an upright position with his legs tucked under his body. From this position he considers the world for the first time and shakes off the last vestiges of the birthing fluid from his eyes and ears.

The mother giraffe lowers her head long enough to take a quick look. Then she positions herself directly over her calf. She waits for about a minute, and then she does the most unreasonable thing. She swings her long, pendulous leg outward and kicks her baby, so that it is sent sprawling head over heels.

When it doesn't get up, the violent process is repeated over and over again. The struggle to rise is momentous. As the baby calf grows tired, the mother kicks it again to stimulate its efforts...Finally, the calf stands for the first time on its wobbly legs. Then the mother giraffe does the most remarkable thing. She kicks it off its feet again. Why? She wants it to remember how it got up. In the wild, baby giraffes must be able to get up as quickly as possible in order to stay with the herd, where there is safety. Lions, hyenas, and leopards all enjoy eating young giraffes, so the mother must teach her calf to respond and get up quickly.

Have you ever felt like "enough is enough already.... I get it God?" A loved one dies, a house burns down, a friend has cancer... how much of this can I take? Sometimes when you just stand up after one trial, He may knock you down again through another trial. God allows the trials to help you remember how it was that you got up, urging you always to walk with Him, in His shadow and under His care, just like the baby giraffe.

1 Peter 4:12

Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

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

517

550

837

Prayer

650

332

LORD'S SUPPER

"Ancient Words"

957

Lesson

915

Announcements and Prayer

NEWS AND NOTES

- ❖ A recent M.R.I. showed that Paul Montandon’s brain cancer has spread. He is the nephew of Mary Jennings.
- ❖ We extend our sympathy to Juanita Ober on the passing of her father, Joe Mondragon. His funeral services were last Friday in Rock Springs, Wyoming.
- ❖ Rebecca Cobb is now home and recuperating from a heart procedure.
- ❖ To the wonderful people of Tulia’s Central Church of Christ!! Thank all of you for your message of comfort. Believe you me, I needed, and still need just that. I’d bet I’ll never have anything in my life that will hurt that way. Keep up your work for Christ! In His Love!! Kenneth Wyatt
- ❖ Dear Central Family, Thank you all so much for your prayers, cards, calls, and the beautiful plaque. In Christian Love, Charles, Jessie and family
- ❖ Congratulations to our chili cook-off finalists! Fan favorite was Brian Bailey, 3rd place -Tim Johnson, 2nd place - Hunter Leatherman, and the winner was Megan Shipley!

Happy Birthday!
4th-Buttons Carlisle, 8th-Jace Nobile

Please check the activity table for details on upcoming events.

- ❖ Everyone is invited to stay for today’s potluck and early service.
- ❖ This year’s One Act Play, *Gunfighter-A Gulf War Chronicle*, will be presented today, March 4th, and Sunday March 18th, both performances beginning at 3 p.m. Admission is free and donations are appreciated.
- ❖ This Wednesday, March 7th, is Family Night, beginning at 6:00.
- ❖ The Men’s Breakfast is this Saturday morning, March 10th, at 7:00.
- ❖ Everyone is invited to a wedding shower for Tiffany Gambrel, bride elect of Nelson Borchardt, this Saturday, March 10th, from 10-11:30 at 1107 14th Street in Canyon. Nelson is the grandson of Kenneth and Vicki Littlefield.
- ❖ The monthly business meeting is next Sunday, March 11th, after evening services.
- ❖ The ladies of Bell Avenue Church of Christ would like to invite you to attend their Spring Ladies Day Sat. morning, March 24th, from 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. More details are on the activity table.

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Please keep the following people in your hearts and prayers:

Our service men and women	Susan Elliott	Brent Joy
Linda Hodges	Dwight McCrary	Gary Elliff
Gaye Young	Joe Ruiz	Darla Young
Wynelle Waldo	Jay Weddel	David George
Jimmie Scott	Paul Montandon	Cierra Perkins
Darlene Riley	Mary Ann Garcia	Charles McKone
Connor Brice	Lanelle Dovel	Mickey White
Noe Jackson	Shirley Armontrout	Phillip Allison
Our College Students	AIM Mission Teams	

Records for 2/25/2018

Bible Class: 69
 Worship: 101
 Contribution: \$2,733
 Budgeted
 Contribution: \$3,595

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