

# Welcome to **Central Church of Christ**



March 24, 2024

## TO OUR GUESTS

*We are honored that you are here today. We are a church family who seek to be followers of Jesus and to be true to the Bible. We hope you will find our worship spiritual and uplifting. Our wish is to get to know you and that you feel welcome here.*

## Worship

Sunday Mornings 10:30  
2<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday evenings 6:00  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays: Noon Meal Provided  
**Bible Studies & Children's classes**  
Sunday Mornings 9:30  
Tuesday Ladies Class 10:00  
Wednesday Evenings 6:00

**For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.  
Live as children of light. Ephesians 5:8**

## THE BIBLE SAYS...

APOSTLE PAUL SAID... "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ" (1 Corinthians 11:1). "Of the Imitation of Christ" is the title of a book that was published in the Netherlands in the early fifteenth century. The book's theme is set forth in the opening paragraph: "By the words of Christ we are taught to imitate His life and habits, if we wish to be truly enlightened and free from all blindness of heart. Let our chief effort, therefore, be to study the life of Jesus Christ. Whoever wishes to understand fully the words of Christ must try to pattern his whole life on the mind of Christ." This little book and the basic idea behind it inspired a movement. Its popularity was immediate. In 1650, no book had been translated into more languages, apart from the Bible itself.

The call to imitate Christ is a simple yet profound idea that has resonated with people throughout the ages. It is the essence of being a Christian, a disciple of Jesus. A disciple is one who sits at the feet of a rabbi learning from him, following him, and seeking to become like him. Jesus invites us to take up His yoke and learn from Him ([Matthew 11:29](#)). He invites all to deny themselves and follow Him ([Matthew 16:24](#)). Jesus never said it would be easy to follow Him. On the contrary, He taught that it would be difficult. We do not get to decide what it means to follow him. Imitating Christ must not be based on a feeling, or a general notion, or "cherry picking" those aspects of His life that we like while avoiding those that make us uncomfortable. To learn all the aspects of imitating Christ we must pay close attention to His Word. We will find that no matter the cost, finding and following Jesus is worth it all.

**THE LORD IS COMING**

-Stacy McCasland-

## News and Notes

Lucy Trevino had a back procedure last Tuesday. The day surgery went well, and she was able to go home Tues. She will see the doctor again in six weeks. She appreciates the prayers.

Becky Moreno is having some health problems. She continues to be on dialysis and now has congestive heart failure. Please keep Becky in your prayers.

Nelda Elliff, Becky Tucker's sister-in-law, is better. She came home from the Heart Hospital last Wednesday. She has had complications from a procedure on her left leg.

Yvonne Nevins is in rehab. She is having problems with low blood pressure. Wayne is home and doing well.

### Activities

Calvin and Jamie are taking the youth to White River Youth Camp today, March 24, leaving the church building at 2:45.

Today is our 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday evening service and sandwich supper, starting at 6:00. Please join us!

Next Sunday is our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. We will be having our 6:00 evening service at Toby & Jennifer Brown's home. Bring a sack lunch and a chair!



### Prayers

**Our Family:** Gaye Young, Ray Jennings, Sharla Moudy

**Assisted Living:** Ramona Raymond, Linda Hodges, Lanelle Dovel

**Extended Family:** Courtney James Carter (Ross James' niece), Duane Tracy (Debi Huff's family), Kevin Daniel (Jim Ober's nephew), Dony House (Judy Leatherman's nephew), Nelda Elliff (Becky's sister-in-law), Patsy Baggett (Calvin's grandmother)

**Special Need:** Those affected by wildfires

**Our Missions:** Bible Chair, High Plains Children's Home, AIM, Sunset School of Preaching

## Happy Birthday!

28 – Mary Jennings

30 – Herb Jennings and Mae Hawthorne

### Children's Bible Class Teachers

Wednesday night,

March 27 – Vicky

Sunday morning nursery,

March 24 - Jennifer

#### Worship

#### Leaders

**Welcome:**

**Song Leader:**

**Scripture:**

**Message:**

**Lord's Supper:**

**Closing Prayer:**

#### Today

**March 24**

Brian Bailey

Toby Brown

Carson McDaniel

Stacy McCasland

Ross James

Joe Bob Thompson

Don Young

Brian Bailey

David Leatherman

#### Next Week

**March 31**

Brian Bailey

Terry Cash

Rudy Melendrez

Stacy McCasland

Ross James

Joe Bob Thompson

Don Young

Brian Bailey

Ray Jennings

#### Records

**3/17/2024**

Kress Bible Class: 17

Kress Worship: 17

Tulia Bible Class: 63

Tulia Worship: 97

Total Contribution:

\$3,580

Budgeted

Contribution:

\$3,595

#### Our Shepherds

Toby Brown

Larry Stewart

Daryl Tucker

#### Our Deacons

Brian Bailey

Richard Combest

Ross James

Kevin Leatherman

Bobby Moudy

Danny Tucker

#### Our Minister

Stacy McCasland