Welcome to Central Church of Christ



sharper than any two-

edged sword, piercing even to the division of

soul and spirit, and of

is a discerner of the

the heart." HEBREWS 4:12

Gospel of Peace How beautiful are the feet of

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those who preach the gospe of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!

April 28, 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 2nd 4th & 5th Sunday evenings 6:00 1st & 3rd Sundays: potluck lunch, afternoon service

Bible Studies & Children's classes

Sunday Mornings 9:30 Tuesday Ladies Class 10:00 Wednesday Evenings 6:00

We live by faith, not by sight. **2nd Corinthians 5:7**

THE BIBLE SAYS...

APOSTLE PAUL SAID..." Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one" (Ephesians 6:16). The Roman shield of the time was called a scutum. This type of shield was as large as a door and would cover the warrior entirely. Such a shield was not just defensive but could also be used to push opponents. When fighting as a group, a phalanx of soldiers could position their shields so as to form an enclosure around themselves, called a testudo ("tortoise"). This was especially helpful to protect against arrows launched from the walls of cities they were attacking.

Clearly, a shield is vitally important to a soldier. It provides a blanket of protection. It is meant to be taken up in all circumstances. It is the first barrier against the enemy's attack. The Christian is often referred to as a soldier because Satan is continually seeking to attack and harm them. Faith is our shield. These attacks can sometimes cause us to doubt God. Faith prompts us to believe God. We may give in to temptation when we believe what it has to offer is better than what God has promised. Faith reminds us that, though complete fulfillment of God's promise may not be readily visible to us, God is true to His Word.

All true followers of Jesus have this promise: "Everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world our faith" (1 John 5:4). Faith is a protective barrier between us and the schemes of Satan. When we believe God and take Him at His word, we remain grounded in truth, the lies of the enemy lose their power, and we become overcomers. To stand against Satan and withstand his attacks we must take up the shield of faith.

THE LORD IS COMING

-Stacy McCasland-



News

Melody Jennings had shoulder replacement surgery last Thursday. Please pray for a good recovery. Jay Jennings has a lesion in his mouth that is malignant. He met with a surgeon in Dallas last Friday for a consultation. Please keep Jay in your prayers.

Judy Hill will have glaucoma eye surgery tomorrow in Amarillo. It is a day surgery but requires a long recovery time. Please keep Judy and Hulan in your prayers.

Happy Birthday!

29-David Leatherman, 30-Hayley Klein, 1-Sharon Thompson and Arryah Trevino, 4-Kevin Leatherman





Activities

Today is our 4th Sunday singing and sandwich supper, starting at 6:00. Please join us! Next week May 5th, will be our 1st Sunday potluck and

To Be Announced Soon! **Senior Banquet and Summer Series**

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)

As Always: Our AIM students

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

Children's Bible Class Teachers:

Wednesday night, May 1-Elaine Sunday morning nursery, May 5-Lisa

Worship **Today** Leaders April 28 Welcome: Song Leader: Scripture: Message: **Lord's Supper:** Richard Combest

early service.

May 5 Brian Bailey **Brian Bailey** Carson Tate Carson McDaniel Stacy McCasland **Bob Colson** Anthony McDaniel

Toby Brown Dustin Rampley Stacy McCasland J.D. Rampley Wes Hayhurst Calvin Klein Larry Stewart David Leatherman Closing Prayer: Lewis Bevill Ross James

Next Week

Records 4/21/2024

Tulia Bible Class: 49 Tulia Worship: 89 Kress Bible Class: 19 Kress Worship: 24 **Total Contribution:** \$3,195

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