IN SEARCH OF THE LORD’S WAY

These were more noble...
...they searched the scriptures daily...

(Acts 17:11)

SERVING THE CONGREGATION
SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

Announcements: Bob Stephens
Scripture Reader: Ron Taffe
Opening Prayer: Jim Cross
Song Director: Austin Beard
Sermon: Jimmy Hyde
Closing Prayer: Bob Perry

SERVING AT THE LORD’S TABLE

NORTH

Adam Park

SOUTH

Eric Park

AT THE BACK OF AUDITORIUM

Clavin Norwood

USHERS

USHERS

Jeff Lawerance

Steve Kelly

Craig McKnight

GREETERS

Foyer:

Steve & Mary Kelly

Elevator:

Craig & Michelle McKnight

NURSERY ATTENDANT

Sandy Leonard

ASSISTING OUTSIDE ELEVATOR DOOR

Mark Michener

PROJECTION & AUDIO CONTROL

Michael Michener

Kyle Perry

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Prayer: Carl Weeks
Song Director: Austin Beard
Scripture Reader: Kolby Shadaram
Closing Prayer: Robert Perry

SERVING AT THE LORD’S TABLE

NORTH

Joe Curtis

SOUTH

Nathan Kelly

VOLUNTEER CLEANING THIS WEEK: Team #7

MISSIONS:

Haiti Children’s Home

Hope Harbor Children’s Home

Liflyfield Christian & Adoption

Nicaragua

Search

Southern Africa Bible College

ELDERS:

Dennis Brodersen

Paul Harris

Steve Kelly

Bob Perry

Bob Stephens

DEACONS:

Dale Beard

Jim Cross

Joe Curtis

Tracy Gettle

Keith Lawrence

Craig McKnight

Michael Michener

Scott Perry

Frank Romberg

Ron Taffe

MINISTERS:

Jimmy Hyde

Nathan Kelly

SECRETARY:

Michelle McKnight

SEARCH PROGRAMS:

SEPTEMBER 3, "The Cost of Discipleship"
SEPTEMBER 10, "Is God Active Today?"
SEPTEMBER 17, "The Church is Necessary"
SEPTEMBER 24, "Seven Virtues"

"In Him was life; and the light of men."

John 1:4

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FAMILY NEWS

God is all we need, Amen? We are richly blessed here in this congregation and God has been very good to us. I want to thank all of you that work so hard to do God’s will and build up our church family here at Central. Let’s keep growing together to be more and more like Jesus our Lord and Savior. Continue to pray for those on our prayer list. We also need to pray together for God’s blessings on the Celebrate Recovery ministry that will begin Saturday the 9th at 7 pm in the fellowship room downstairs. Sign-up if you would like to help. We also will have a men’s golf outing on September 9th. Sign-up if you want to go enjoy some great fellowship with the men. Here’s something I want to encourage you to put on your calendars. We will have a marriage workshop here at Central on October 20th and 21st. This will be a time for all of us who are married to be built up in our marriages. God bless you this week as you live for Him.

The See the Need

The destruction and devastation from Hurricane Harvey is hard to believe. Yet we can see the pictures and hear the reports of all the loss of life and property. As I’m writing this article, sadly it isn’t over yet. The Houston area has already had over 30 inches of rain in the past three days and are estimated to get two more feet of rain. It’s easy to see people’s needs in times like this. But in everyday life are there people in need? Can we see the needs of people around us?

“What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and food. One of you says to him, “Go! I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,” and does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it?

Suppose we see those needs we need to let our faith lead us to action. May God bless us as we join together this Lord’s day to worship Him. See you this Sunday.

Your brother

Jimmy Hyde

PRAYER CONCERNS

Joe Akins went to the St. Anthony, Shawnee emergency room on Tuesday morning with chest pains. He was diagnosed has having a pulled muscle and was able to return home that afternoon.

Your prayers are requested on behalf of Julie Ball, a friend of Jon Merritt’s. She is in the St. Anthony, Shawnee hospital with pneumonia.

Doctors have confirmed that Kay McKnight, the mother of Craig McKnight, has cancer in her lungs, lymph nodes and bones. She has declined treatment and hospice has been called in. She says she is in no pain at this time but she is very weak and has a constant cough. Please pray for God’s care and comfort for Kay and her family.

YOUTH NEWS

By NATHAN KELLY

Thank you to Bob and Janet for hosting our last dinner and devo. The food was great and the fellowship was even better. I believe the next dinner and devo will be at the Curtis home on September 17. I’m still waiting to get the schedule of the fall/winter AWTG’s. I would assume they start next month as well. I’ll say for sure once I know for sure.

Food can leave an amazing imprint on our memory. Sometimes we remember places we’ve been because of what we saw, but sometimes we remember places based on what we ate. This is a little trick we are fond of using today. Why else would we ask Keith to smoke his ribs for our “Friends and Family Day.” We hope that if nothing else they will remember the good food and better fellowship. This is also a trick that Jesus used. When he fed the 5,000, most of those people probably only remembered the food and not the words, which is why they were sent away grumbling. They wanted more of that miracle food, and I’m sure they enjoyed telling others about the day their meal seemed to never end. We, as a church, tend to rely on food to help us minister, but we have to make sure the food isn’t the only ministry taking place. In John 6, Jesus refers to himself as the “bread of life.” When we are filled by His bread, we aren’t sent home grumbling like the 5,000 he fed. Our food is a great way to get a foot in the door, but His food will sustain us.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

1928 Bertha Ann Young 2017

Bertha Ann Young was born on June, 22, 1928 at Eastland, Texas to John and Lydia Young. She passed away on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at Colonial Estates. Bertha Ann was a dedicated servant to the city of Shawnee where she began working as a cashier in the water department in 1948 and retired after 51 years as the city treasurer / finance director in 1999. Bertha Ann earned many professional certifications and served on many associations including as president. In 2005 Bertha Ann was inducted to the Oklahoma Hall of Fame for City and Town Officials and on August 21, 2017 the Shawnee mayor and city commissioners dedicated and designated the City of Shawnee City Commission Chambers as the “Bertha Ann Young City Commission Chambers.” She impacted many lives through her work. Bertha Ann became a life long member of Central Church of Christ after moving here with her family. She served as a Sunday school teacher and was a faithful member all during her life.

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

We are putting the final touches on the printed pictorial directory. If you have any last minute updates or would like to get your updated photo in the new directory, please see Michael Michener by September 10th.

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Kyrian Anderson (young friend of the Hyde’s with Leukemia), Chad Beard, Carol Brodersen, Nancy Burlison, Betty Caldwell (sister of Linda Carpenter), Harold Carothers, Blake Carter (great grandson of Sue Merritt), Dava Clark (niece of Burl Vanlandingham), Sherri Collins, Norma Cowden, Thelma Divine, Babe Doyle, Fredith Hanifan, Leslie Hawkins (mother of Amber Curtis), Sandon Hilditch, Shelly Carter Johnson, John Johnston, Larry Kelly, Kay McKnight, Teresa Mead, Thearlene Morris, Andy Peer- son (brother to Royce Peerson), Katie Carter Rose (niece of Denise Beard), Ihetta Smith, Pam Snider (daughter of Dennis & Carol Brodersen), Dorothy Strickland, John Sullivan, Howard Vanlandingham, Emma White, Iva Williams (mother of Cathy Rose). All these members and friends have continuing health concerns or other special circumstances.

They appreciate your interest and prayers.

CENTRAL’S DIRECTORY

Central’s online directory is available now!

• Download “Instant Church Directory” app to your Android/iPhone
• Enter the email address you have on file in the directory
• Receive a one-time password to link app to your church directory

“The Lord be with you.”

Ruth 2:4

TIPTON HOME

Our September collection for the Tipton Home will be laundry bleach.

Please place these items in the barrel in the foyer. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD

SEPTEMBER 9—Men’s Golf Outing, 8:30 AM
SEPTEMBER 9—Celebrate Recovery begins, 7 PM
SEPTEMBER 17—Dinner & Devo at Curtis’ Home
OCTOBER 20 & 21—Marriage Workshop
OCTOBER 28—Annual Coat Give Away
NOVEMBER 2—Hayride at the Stephen’s Home