

# 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.  
*1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays each  
month potluck lunch &  
afternoon service.*

### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 6:00 P.M.

### SHEPHERDS

Mike Allison  
Toby Brown  
Larry Stewart  
Daryl Tucker

### DEACONS

Brian Bailey  
Richard Combest  
Ross James  
Kevin Leatherman  
Bobby Moudy  
Danny Tucker

### MINISTERS

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### Love "As If"

Newspaper columnist and Minister George Crane once told of a wife who came into his office full of hatred toward her husband. *"I do not only want to get rid of him, I want to get even. Before I divorce him, I want to hurt him as much as he has me."*

Dr. Crane suggested the following plan for her.

*"Go home and act as if you really love your husband. Tell him how much he means to you. Praise him for every decent trait. Go out of your way to be as kind, considerate, and generous as possible. Spare no efforts to please him, to enjoy him. Make him believe you love him. After you've convinced him of your undying love and that you cannot live without him, then drop the bomb.*

*Tell him that you're getting a divorce. That will really hurt him." With revenge in her eyes, she smiled and exclaimed, "Beautiful, beautiful. Will he ever be surprised!"*

And she did it with enthusiasm. Acting "as if." For two months she showed love, kindness, listening, giving, reinforcing, sharing. When she didn't return, Crane called. *"Are you ready now to go through with the divorce?" "Divorce?" she exclaimed. "Never! I discovered I really do love him."*

Her actions had changed her feelings. Motion resulted in emotion. The ability to love is established not so much by promise as it is by repeated deeds. I wonder what would happen in our world today if we applied this simple plan to those we may not agree with. What if we, as followers of Jesus, instead of having the "give them what they deserve" mentality, we instead acted "as if" we loved them.

### **John 13:34**

***A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.***

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

Song

Song

Song

Song

Song

Message

Song

Song

**COMMUNION**

Closing Prayer

## NEWS AND NOTES

- ❖ We are saddened by the passing of Lela Mae Nevins last Wednesday. Her funeral services were Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Please keep Shirley, Wayne, Yvonne and all of the Nevins family in your prayers.
- ❖ Gordon Anderson, uncle to Judy Hill and Bobby Moudy, passed away. His graveside service is tomorrow, February 15<sup>th</sup>, in Lubbock. We extend our sympathy to all of the Moudy family.
- ❖ Please keep Shana Bailey in your prayers as she prepares for surgery this Wednesday in Amarillo.
- ❖ Dear Tulia Church of Christ, Thank you for hosting the meal after Barbara's wonderful service. It was such a comfort to be near dear friends at this time. Please accept this donation in Barbara's name. With Love, The David Watson family

### *Happy Birthday!*

*14<sup>th</sup>-Lou Stephens, 15<sup>th</sup>-Rudy Melendrez Sr.*

## ACTIVITIES

- ❖ We welcome the AIM students today. They will be leading our worship this morning.
- ❖ Custom church t-shirts for 2021 are now available for ordering. A sign-up sheet is on the back table of the auditorium. Payment is due to Anna at the time of order.
- ❖ Thank you to those who helped with the Valentine Sonic gift cards for our college students. We were able to give each student a \$10 gift card. We appreciate you!

### Supported

#### Missions

Bible Chair  
High Plains  
Children's Home  
AIM  
Sunset School of  
Preaching

### *Please keep the following people in your hearts and prayers:*

Ray Jennings	Darla Young	Gaye Young
Melody Jennings	Linda Hodges	Lanelle Dovel
Bill Huff	Wynelle Waldo	Herb Jennings
Margaret Huff	Butch Moore	Annette Tracy
Janet Wright	Terry Cash	Duane Tracy
Sean Chambers	Linda Hayhurst	Theron Culwell
Lena Allison	Gigi Barlow	Carolyn Culwell
Noe Jackson	Yvonne Nevins	Jeff Swanson
Charles McKone	Carolyn Cox	
Service men and women	AIM Mission Teams	College Students

### Records for 2-7-2021

Bible Class: 30  
Worship: 56  
Online Views: 43  
Kress Worship: 22  
Total Contribution:  
\$3,622  
Budgeted  
Contribution: \$3,595

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