

CENTRAL CONNECTION

Upcoming Events

May 1

10am - Cherry Street Chapel
6pm - Youth

May 2

NO Immerse Group
6pm/7pm - NISD Band Concert

May 3

9am - Ladies' Coffee

May 5

10am - Sunday school
11am - Worship

UPCOMING

June 3 (CHANGE)

Preaching from the Pews begins (DMin cohort)

Don't forget to check out our website or Facebook page to find worship services, newsletters and more!



We've had some rough weather in our part of the world the last week or so. Fortunately for us, we've just had wind and rain which had helped our gardens, quenched thirsty hay fields and raised the lake half a foot or so. And for that, we give thanks!

However, our neighbors to the north and east have not been so blessed. While they got rain and wind, they also got destructive twisters that demolished homes, businesses, schools, churches and entire communities. As well, numerous injuries and several deaths have been reported in Sulphur and Marietta.

Of course, we need to be praying for our neighbors: for those who are first line responders (emergency personnel, line crews, etc), the injured and grieving, and those who are having to rebuild their lives from nothing. Also, I'm sure we will have a local collection point in the next few days to take supplies for cleaning, hygiene, food, etc that way set up in town. Please give as you are able.

And, as a church, we have Week of Compassion which is already on the ground assessing needs of our Disciples churches (and member households) that were hit. Our General Minister and President, Terri Herd Owens, issued a call to prayer early Sunday morning as news broke and the damage began to be seen.

Week of Compassion is our DOC disaster relief agency. 100% of donations go to on the ground ministry. All overhead expenses, salaries, and other administrative needs are covered through special offerings and church/regional offerings. You can give knowing your money is going to where it is needed most. If you are so led, it's a great organization to support.

www.weekofcompassion.org

—Pastor Lory

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Nation & World, Tammy Brockman, Nancy Atkison, Madison Wardell, Charlotte Reagan, Bob Miller, CASA Kids, Tony Barker, Vivian Contareas, Sharon Brown, Shirley Miller, Ken Backus, Reese Handley, Christy Hoff, Chad Brown, Joe Kalal, Morgan Heck, Charlotte Reed, Carolyn Tapley, Pam Kessler, Paula Whitfield, Steve McCoulaugh, Johnny Martin, Lynn Hanson, Molly Major, Shirley Roberts, Ben Hill, Margaret Centofanti, Nicole Rahmer, Dean Prine, Connie O'Neill, Chris Tettleton, Brenda Sutton, David Howard, Kal Luke, Barbara Saunders, Nicole Saunders, Sandy Major, Crystal Shelton, Yvonne Mesler, LaQuita Hewitt, Scott Baker, Steve, Bruce Major, Christy Mesler, Tommy and Debbie Moore, Jennifer Hallack, Roger Williams, Cecil Matheson, Lynn Lierly, David Veale, Nancy Pirkey, Beverly Durham, Gayle Storey, Jerry Dan Russell


Family of: Terry Murphey, Dana Rozell

Worship This Week:

Elders: Walker
Deacons: Fitts/Prine
Communion: Major
Sermon Text: Acts 10:44-48
Sun School: Immerse Wk 3.2

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Several of us wore blue on Sunday Child Abuse Awareness Month and Blue Sunday. Too many of our local children suffer abuse and neglect. The **Montague County Child Welfare Board** and **CASA Red River** are two organizations who help kids and need our support!

Nocona Community Blood Drive
Monday, May 13
1:30 - 6 p.m.
 First United Methodist Fellowship Hall

To make an appointment, contact Trena Henley at 940-232-8792.

Mark your calendars for the next blood drive!
May 13th at FUMC
Call Trena to make an appointment!

YOUTH GROUP!!!

Youth (grades 7-12) will continue to meet May-July. The younger kids will finish up this week. We will meet at Central during the month of May. If you'd like to provide dinner for about 5 people, let me know. - PL

PRAYER LIST

Just a reminder that I'm not a mind reader (nor do I want to be!). If there are things going on or any updates/additions to the prayer list, please let me know so I can tend to those pastoral concerns! - PL