

# CROSSTIMBERS

## COMMUNITY CHURCH

### Our Mission

To show the love of Jesus, tell the good news of His shed blood for the sins of man, so that all who believe may have fellowship with Him and have eternal life with Him in heaven.

### About Us

Crosstimbers Community Church is affiliated with the Assemblies of God and has been a part of the Edna community for 86 years. The church sits on an attractive lot with a three bedroom, two-bath parsonage next door. The sanctuary will seat approximately 80 people and the attached fellowship hall contains a large room, (which is used for church dinners, adult Sunday School class, food pantry, and special events), four classrooms, a kitchen, and two restrooms. There are currently 20 members. The church maintains its own website at [www.ednacrosstimbers.com](http://www.ednacrosstimbers.com). We also have two Facebook pages. One to promote the church @crosstimbers and the other for the food pantry @crosstimbersfoodpantry.

The worship service at CTCC includes both traditional hymns and more contemporary choruses offering praise to God. The songs are sung with sound tracks as we currently do not have a piano player. ProPresenter software is used to broadcast the words on the sanctuary screen and is capable of broadcasting in the fellowship hall as well. Services are live on Facebook and many will watch remotely.

A typical Sunday service includes praise and worship, prayer, and preaching unless the Holy Spirit leads otherwise.

### Ministries

#### **Women**

While the Women's Ministry is not actively meeting on a regular basis, some of the key outreach programs remain. Hosting of district meetings and ministering at Christmas time to the Golden Homes with homemade goodies and Christmas carols.

#### **Men**

The Men's Ministry is also not actively meeting on a regular basis. The Men's group typically organizes the fruit and treat bags given out at Christmas time to the congregation.

#### **Prayer Chain**

The church maintains an active prayer chain that is a source of help not only for members of CTCC but the Edna community as well.

#### **Youth Group**

We had a core group of youth that attended services on Wednesday evening along with a Youth Pastor that was a paid position. When our Pastors resigned, the Youth Pastor stepped into the role as an interim pastor. During his time as Interim, the youth met with the adults for Bible Study on Wednesday evenings. Since the Youth Pastor resigned, the Youth Group has not met due to COVID-19 and a lack of youth group leadership. Those youth that attended have been encouraged to attend CHAOS, another local Youth Group.

#### **Food Pantry**

Crosstimbers began a food pantry to meet the needs of the community 8 years ago. Our former pastors had expertise in this ministry and pioneered this outreach. Community members outside of the church also assist in this effort. The food pantry has become an important ministry point for Crosstimbers. On average, 160 families are served monthly. During Thanksgiving, an additional basket is provided with all of the food items needed for a Thanksgiving meal. Food Pantry participants sign up for this extra basket.

Church Membership .....	20
Average Attendance Sunday Morning .....	27
Average Attendance Sunday Evening .....	14
Average Attendance Wednesday Evening .....	11

## Our Community

Edna is a town of 442 people located in Southeast Kansas approximately 15 miles east of Coffeyville. Coffeyville is the nearest shopping area and includes a Wal-Mart Supercenter, a 2 year community college, and various industries. The area around Edna is made up of small to medium sized farms and ranches. Edna has a modern grade school with grades K-8 for about 160 students. Small class size, a science laboratory, Jr. High sports, band, a gifted program, and computer training are some of the reasons people with school age children choose to live in Edna. Students consistently make high marks on state assessment tests. There is also an active summer sports program for youth. The Edna Community Building is used for many school and community activities. This is a tightly knit community that steps up and helps those in need. The people in Edna have a wonderful spirit of caring and generosity that is shown when people have special needs. The Edna Stampede is a group of community members that helps raise money for those in special hardship situations. The events are always well attended and the evening is filled with a meal, music and a lively, competitive auction. The Edna B.E.A.R.S (Better Edna Area Residents Society) is another community group that gears its activities toward the youth. They sponsor a fishing derby in the summer and a basketball tournament in the spring. ECOS (Edna Civic Organization) is a community women's group that raises money to go towards college scholarships for Edna students and helps those in need. They hold several beef and noodle dinners on Sunday afternoons that are attended by the community.

Labette County High School is located in Altamont, which is 12 miles northeast of Edna. LCHS has college preparatory courses and vocational programs to help students to succeed in their chosen field. The Agriculture department and FFA chapter have excelled in state and national competitions as has their nationally renowned theater program. The curriculum includes a Health Careers Program, Building and Trades Program, and business courses that include work experience outside the school. Band and chorus is available as well. The drama department gives several performances per year and the students have competed successfully in national and international competitions. LCHS has many long-standing traditions and continues to excel in state standards every year.

Many people who live in Edna have jobs in the surrounding towns. The businesses in Edna include a bank, lumberyard, western store, a mattress factory and the grade school. There is a convenient store / gas station south of town on US Hwy 166.

