## Church of Christ

534 Sixth Street

Marietta, Ohio 45750



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

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Bible Classes	9:00 A.M.			
Worship	10:00 A.M.			
Evening Worship	5:00 P.M.			
WEDNESDAY				
Bible Classes	7:00 P.M.			



September 12—Drew Ullman

September 14—Adam Burkhart, Tim Loughry, Myra Reich

September 16 – Coen Eddy "16th Birthday", Kevin Kirkbride, Tyler Vernon

September 17—Hannah Crone

September 18—Kaitlyn Clovis, Elliott Ullman, Richard Wentz

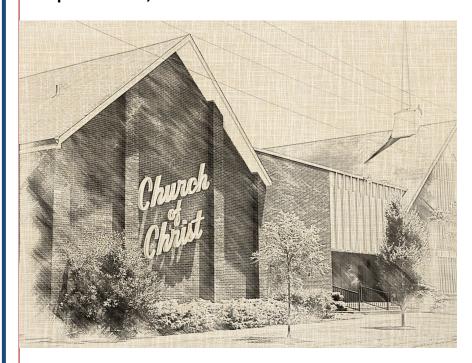


September 12—**Tim & Kathi Gerber** September 14—**Kurt & Danetta Harrison** September 17—**Todd & Rhonda Hague** 

SCHEDULE - September 19, 2021 CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey		orshey	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Wednesday—September 22, 2021	
Kurt Harrison		SONG LEADER: Colton Eddy	
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AM:	Tim Wells	DEVO: John Dollison	
PM:	Tim Wells	ANNOUNCEMENTS: Roger Rush	
WAIT ON THE TABLE			
AM:	Mark Harris	<b>STATISTICS</b> -September 5, 2021	<u> </u>
PM:	Dennis Dye	Sunday Bible Class	60
PRAY	ER	Morning Worship	145
AM:	Adam Burkhart	Evening Worship	53
	Randy Feisley	Wednesday Classes	61
PM:	David Potts		
	Tim Loughry	OFFICE PHONE (740) 373-3240 CARE LI	NE (740) 373-3909
SCRIP	SCRIPTURE READER BIBLECALL (740) 373-3222		
AM:	Colton Eddy	WEBSITE www.sawcoc.org (Please note video from ser- mons is available on our website)	
PM:	Harry Ogletree		
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PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK—Spaghetti Sauce





## Are you ready to die?

None of us like to think about it, but we know there is no escape. Someday we are all going to die, and we have no way of knowing when that day will come. Death is both certain and uncertain, and I am glad that is the case.

The Bible says: "And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him" (Hebrews 9:27, 28 ESV). Regarding the brevity of life, the Psalmist wrote: "For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away" (Psalm 90:9, 10 ESV).

I enjoy life. It's great to be alive. But, as a Christian, I should not be afraid to die. For us death is not foreboding, frightening, or final. Paul wrote near the end of his life: *"For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of* 

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ELDERS

Kurt Harrison Roger Rush

## DEACONS

Tom EddyTim LoughryPaul Hickman Michael MorganPaul JacobyAlan Ralston

# MINISTER

Roger Rush

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## **TODAY'S SERMONS**

AM: A lesson on priorities! (Putting Christ First) Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

## PROGRAMS

WJAW FM 100.9—Sunday 8:30 a.m. WJAW AM 630—Sunday 9:00 a.m. WMOA AM 1490—Sunday 11:00 a.m. SEARCH—WTAP—Sunday 7:30 a.m.

### SICK

#### Memorial: Junior Nolan

**Donna Moseley** was in the hospital and is now at home.

#### PRAYER LIST

#### **Rick Colvin** (friend of Janice Christman)

Elizabeth Davis (Diana Miller's granddaughter)

#### **Jessie Dailey**

\*full prayer list is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer

#### PANTRY

Three families received food from our pantry last month.

The pantry item of the week is spaghetti sauce.

### **COLLEGE ADDRESSES**

Each fall we list our college students' addresses in the bulletin. Please submit your students' address to the office as soon as possible.



#### THE HOTTEST SPICE

Currently, the hottest pepper is officially the Carolina Reaper, cultivated by "Smokin" Ed Currie in Rock Hill, South Carolina. The official 2017 Guinness World Record heat level was 1,641,183 Scoville Heat Units (SHU).

Is your good influence detectable in a crowd? Jesus spoke of influence in the Sermon on the Mount: "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor ...It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out" (Matthew 5:13-14).

We are God's "spice" to influence His world for good. There are two ways that we may influence others: by word and by deeds. People are more affected by what they see than what they hear. What do they see in your life and mine? Do they see devotion to Christ shown by our being at Bible study and worship? Do they see someone truly striving to live like Christ, or do they see someone who is indifferent and compromising? Will God say to us on that final day, "Well done, good and faithful servant," or will He say, "Depart from Me"? (Matthew 25:21, 41).

### —Adapted from Kenneth Davis

One name, one hope, one Savior—Jesus.

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12

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righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing" (2 Timothy 4:6-8 ESV). In another of his letters he observed: "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21 ESV). For Christians death is not the end, but the beginning of eternity with God. It offers release from the shackles of the body and freedom to soar into the presence of God. Heaven awaits the redeemed.

But, if we are not Christians, death is the most frightening thought our minds can entertain. Apart from Christ there is no hope beyond the grave, only the certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation (Hebrews 10:26-31).

The good news is that Jesus died for all men. We can all be prepared for death and eternity. We can escape hell and enjoy heaven, but we must get ready and stay ready. It matters little whether our life is long or short. What matters is whether or not we have made preparation for death and the judgment to follow. Are you ready to die?



LADIES TEA & FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY— CANCELLED

Our Annual Ladies Tea and Friends & Family Day scheduled for September 18th & 19th have been cancelled. Our fellowship deacons are working on a alternate activity for later this year.

There is no record of our sins. Imagine that! *"If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness."* Psalm 130:3-4

As you should have heard by now, our Ladies Tea and Friends and Family Day weekend has been cancelled. **Brent** and **Janie Gallagher**, from the Oakwood Road congregation in Fairmont, WV were scheduled to be with us, but due to concerns over the resurgence of COVID cases, they felt it would be best to cancel.

Tim and Tammy Hatfield are scheduled to be with us for the *Ladies Tea* and *Friends and Family Day* in the spring of 2022. I certainly hope you are praying for more favorable conditions next spring. We look forward to these weekends, and do not want to cancel another one!

**Mark Harris** will be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening. **John Dollison** is scheduled to be our devotional speaker September 22.

God willing, I am scheduled to be with the Alkire Road congregation in Grove City for a gospel meeting September 26-30, and with the Orrville congregation October 3-7. **Harry Ogletree** will be preaching in my absence, and **Kurt Harrison** will be teaching my classes while I am out of town. I guess it is possible that one, or both of those meetings could be canceled because of COVID, but we are taking a wait and see approach at the moment.

Also, the Lord willing, our *Thursday Ladies Class* will resume October 14. Normally we would have resumed that class a week earlier, but because of the gospel meeting at Orrville, I had to postpone it for a week.



Our future will be good—and guaranteed!

"God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with Him." I Thessalonians 5:9-11

PM: Besetting Sins Reading: Hebrews 12:1-11