

Church of Christ

534 Sixth Street

Marietta, Ohio 45750



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes	7:00 P.M.
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December 28—**Madeline Patterson**

January 1—**Donna Born, Ben Clovis, Davis Potts**



January 1— **Noel & Rebecca McFarland**

SCHEDULE - January 2, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: Tim Wells

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: T.J. Wells

PM: Alan Ralston

PRAYER

AM: Harry Ogletree

Albert Baltzer

PM: David Potts

Adam Burkhart

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Colton Eddy

PM: Tom Eddy

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey

Wednesday—January 5, 2022

SONG LEADER: Colton Eddy

PRAYER: Greg Cline/Paul Jacoby

DEVO: Harry Ogletree

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Roger Rush

STATISTICS-December 19, 2021

Sunday Bible Class 68

Morning Worship 145

Evening Worship 72

Wednesday Classes 67

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WEBSITE www.sawcoc.org (Please note video from sermons is available on our website)

PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK—The pantry is well stocked at this time.

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December 26, 2021

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ELDERS

Kurt Harrison

Roger Rush

DEACONS

Tom Eddy

Mark Harris

Paul Hickman

Paul Jacoby

Tim Loughry

Michael Morgan

Alan Ralston

MINISTER

Roger Rush

NEARLY OVER

We have come to the end of 2021. As I have gotten older I have developed a greater appreciation for what James meant when he asked, *“What is your life?”* It seems over before it’s begun. Life is like a *“mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes”* (James 4:14).

We all must take life one day at a time. If we are lucky, we will grow old and eventually die. Some find this depressing, but not me. To grow old and not die would be depressing. I should point out, I am looking at life from a Christian perspective. I believe in life after life (1 John 2:25).

If we look at life through the eyes of a Christian two things will be apparent. First, we will value each moment as a precious gift from God to be used fully in a positive way. Jesus came that we might have an abundant life (John 10:10). He makes possible a rich and full existence where life has meaning, and living is a joyous experience (John 16:33). Second, we will not fear the end of life. We see death as the gateway to an even better world. In this new life *“the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all*

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TODAY’S SERMONS

AM: The Lamb of God
Reading: John 1:29-34

PM: My Whole Duty
Reading: Ecc. 12:9-14

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

Wheeling Hospital: **Shirlyn English** (Janice Christman’s sister-in-law)

PRAYER LIST

Jessie Dailey
Brenda Elders
Jennifer Fryman (Gertie’s sister-in-law)
*full prayer list is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Zach & Samantha Snider** at the birth of their daughter, **Chloe Lynn**, born November 29th, weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and 18 inches long. Proud great grandmother is **Diana Miller**.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Joanna (Clark) Thomas**. Memorial services were held Wednesday at Hadley Funeral Home.

A MONOPOLY LIFE IS AN EMPTY LIFE

Does the name Charles Darrow ring a bell with you? Probably not, but you are familiar with what he did.

During the great depression of the early thirties, Mr. Darrow of Germantown, Pennsylvania, was an unemployed heating engineer. With plenty of spare time on his hands, he concocted a new board game which he made and reproduced by hand.

In 1935, Parker Brothers purchased the game called “Monopoly.” Since that time, more than 90 million Monopoly games have been sold. The object of the game is strictly capitalistic. The more financial gain you achieve, the better your chances of winning.

This is the foundation on which many homes are built. Everything done is tied to making the next dollar. Often more lasting, valuable things are pushed aside.

The problem with this kind of living is that when you come to the end, you realize you have lost.

Paul said, “We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out” (1 Timothy 6:7). Let us remember the important things and keep our lives in perspective.



If God could glorify His name through sinful Pharaoh—just imagine the possibilities we have!

For the Scripture says to Pharaoh: “I raised you up for this very purpose, that I might display My power in you and that My name might be proclaimed in all the earth.” Romans 9:17

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tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away” (Revelation 21:3, 4). This should help us understand why Paul could write: “*For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain*” (Philippians 1:21).

For a Christian, it is not how long we live, but how we live that really matters. Yes, time goes by quickly, but each new day offers new challenges and greater opportunities for service. We live each day to the fullest, knowing that should it be our last, a better world awaits!

We are all growing older a day at a time. Are the days taking their toll? Do we face the new day and the new year with anticipation or fear? And, what about our death? Can we contemplate it with confidence, or does it fill the heart with fear?

In Jesus Christ we can grow old gracefully, and we can live eternally.

—Roger



GOD’S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

- Divine Love: John 3:16
- God’s Grace: Ephesians 2:8
- Christ’s Blood: Romans 5:9
- Holy Spirit’s Word: Romans 1:16
- Sinner’s Faith: Acts 16:31
- Sinner’s Repentance: Luke 13:3
- Sinner’s Confession: Romans 10:10
- Sinner’s Baptism: Acts 22:16
- Christian’s Love: Matthew 22:37
- Christian’s Work: James 2:24
- Christian’s Hope: Romans 8:24
- Christian’s Endurance: Revelation 2:10

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

Kurt Harrison is scheduled to be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening. **Harry Ogletree** is slated to be our devotional speaker January 5.

I hope you enjoyed hearing **Josh Ball** last Sunday and meeting his family too. As you know, **Josh** is interested in the work here. If you have any thoughts regarding **Josh** and his family, please feel free to share them with **Kurt**.

This is the final Lord’s Day of 2021. I really thought by the end of this year COVID would be behind us, but that is not the case. I am grateful that in June we were able to return to our regular schedule of worship and Bible study. We are certainly not back to normal in many ways, but we have made progress since the advent of the virus. I have no idea what the new year will hold regarding COVID, or anything else, but I still know that God is in control and that knowledge gives me both hope and peace. I am prayerful that things will return to normal in the new year, but we must wait and see.

Currently, we are still planning on hosting our annual *Ladies Tea* and *Friends and Family Day* this spring. **Tim** and **Tammy Hatfield** are scheduled to be with us, and we always look forward to having them here. The precise weekend has not been determined, but as soon as we have a firm date, we will let you know.

We are already working on the schedule for our **2022 Summer Series**. The theme will be “*Preaching from the Prophets*.” We will post the schedule as soon as it is completed.

Enjoy your afternoon. I hope to see you again at 5:00, and best wishes for a very happy and prosperous new year!

