

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 5—Myrtle Leister
 December 6—Jayleigh Baltzer, Brad Forshey
 December 7—Dennis Dye, Mark Harris
 December 9—Susie Patterson
 December 10—Janice Christman
 December 11—Gary Marshall



There are no anniversaries on the calendar this week.

Church of Christ

December 5, 2021

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ELDERS

Kurt Harrison
Roger Rush

DEACONS

Tom Eddy	Tim Loughry
Paul Hickman	Michael Morgan
Paul Jacoby	Alan Ralston

MINISTER

Roger Rush

Trouble Came

“For the thing that I fear comes upon me, and what I dread befalls me. I am not at ease, nor am I quiet; I have no rest, but trouble comes” (Job 3:25, 26). Job had taken every precaution to insure the peace and safety of his family. He was a good man, perfect and upright, and one that feared God and eschewed evil. Early every morning he rose to offer burnt offerings for his children. Surely, all would be well. But suddenly tragedy struck. Trouble came!

If there was ever a man who had cause to be bitter, it was Job. His children were dead, his wealth was stolen, and his health was destroyed. He sat in the dust and scraped his sores with a broken piece of pottery (Job 2:7, 8). His flesh was *“clothed with worms and clods of dust”* (Job 7:5). Sores covered his body. Even his breath was foul (Job 17:1). Those who came to comfort him openly wept in his presence. For seven days they spoke not a word. Finally, Job broke the silence. He cried in anguish, *“Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, there is a man child conceived”* (Job 3:3). It would have been better, he thought, if I had never been born.

Job’s reaction to his suffering was in many ways unique. Job did not blame

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SCHEDULE - December 12, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: Colton Eddy

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Albert Baltzer

PM: Alan Ralston

PRAYER

AM: Darrell Hague

Paul Jacoby

PM: Todd Hague

Harry Ogletree

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Bill McFarland

PM: John Dollison

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey

Wednesday—December 15, 2021

SONG LEADER: Colton Eddy

PRAYER: Coen Eddy/Adam Burkhart

DEVO: Michael Morgan

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Roger Rush

STATISTICS—November 28, 2021

Sunday Bible Class	66
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Morning Worship	149
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Evening Worship	70
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Wednesday Classes	67
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BIBLECALL (740) 373-3222

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

PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK—Crackers

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: The Death of Jesus
Reading: Acts 2:22-24

PM: The Secret to Success
Reading: Philip. 3:7-15

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: **Sarah Schafer** had surgery Friday.

Junior Nolan was in the hospital and is now at home.

Charlie Smith (friend of **Tom Eddy**) is scheduled to have surgery Monday at the Cleveland Clinic. Thank you for all the cards you have sent to him. He appreciates them so much.

SHUTINS

Ida Harris — Home

Ruth Stewart—Home

Kathryn Venham—Home

PRAYER LIST

Jon Wiblin (**Nancy Ward's** son)

Sandi Witzling (friend of **Carol Ware**)

Sharon Armstrong (**Mary Lauck's** daughter)

Added to prayer list: **Karen** (friend of **Karen Thompson**) lost her 4-year-old nephew to cancer.

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

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **June Rose**.

JESUS' GREATNESS

Men who stood nearest to Jesus were swayed by His personality. He was "full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). He had a charm about Him which wooed and fascinated.

Children liked Him; publicans hung upon Him. He had the heart of a child, the tenderness of a woman, the strength of a man.

The three dimensions (body, mind, soul) of His life were complete. He had eyes that looked along extended lines running into eternity; He had sympathies wide enough to cover humanity to its outermost edge; He had a purpose that included all lands and ages. His kingdom is to be universal, and it shall have no end.

He was at every point complete. His virtues are all fully matured; His graces are all in full bloom. You can no more add anything to Him than you can add something to the sky.

He pushed every good trait of human character to its utmost limit. His forgiveness was unbounded; His generosity was untiring; His patience was inexhaustible; His mercy was immeasurable; His courage was illimitable; His wisdom was unfathomable; His kindness was interminable; His faith removed mountains; His hope had no shadow in it; His love was infinite.

And so, it is impossible to go beyond Him. We can never outgrow Him. He will be always ahead of us. We shall always hear Him saying, "Follow Me!" He is the ideal of the heart. He is the goal of humanity. It is this completeness of His character which accounts not only for His beauty but also for His perennial power. He is the lily of the valley, the fairest of ten thousand, and one altogether lovely.

—Dr. Charles Jefferson,
The Character of Jesus,
P. 350-352

"He will be great"
Luke 1:32

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God. Upon learning of his lost wealth and the death of his children, he fell upon the ground and worshipped (Job 1:20). What he said is worth noting. He cried out: "Naked came I from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord" (Job 1:21). Job did not blame God! He did not abandon his faith!

There is an important lesson in Job's story for all of us. Suffering is a part of every life. When it comes, we should not blame God, but look up to Him for the strength to endure. If we do, we will not be disappointed. Job's story did not end with his suffering. The record says that "the Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning" (Job 42:12).

—Roger

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome **TJ** and **Erin Wells** to our church family. Their children are **Evie** and **Sammy**. If you haven't met them yet, make a special effort to do so. Let them know how happy we all are to have them with us.

LADIES FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITY—HOLIDAY TREATS SWAP

There will be a Holiday Treats Swap for the ladies of the congregation December 12th at 2:00 p.m. in the multipurpose room. Please bring 3 dozen of your favorite Holiday Sweet Treats to swap with your friends. One dozen to sample, and two dozen to share. Treats can be cookies, cupcakes, candy, fudge, etc. Sharing bags, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be provided. Come to visit, catch up with friends, and share. A sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the foyer.

POWER FOR TODAY

Copies of January-February-March 2022 Power for Today are available in the foyer.

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

John Dollison is scheduled be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening. **Michael Morgan** is slated to be our devotional speaker December 15.

I am sure you were pleased to hear the announcement last Sunday that **Mark Harris** has agreed to serve as one of our deacons. He and **Julie** have been dear friends for many years, and I am especially happy that he is willing to serve in this capacity, so I'm looking forward to his appointment.

God willing, December 19 **Josh Ball** and his family will be with us. **Josh** will be teaching the Sunday morning Bible class and preaching at both our morning and evening assemblies. I certainly hope you will be here to hear **Josh** and meet his lovely wife, **Morgan**, and their children, **Charlie** (age 4) and **Oliver** (age 1).

I was also very happy that **Kelly Gray** was recently restored to our fellowship, and that **Amy Zimmer** was recently baptized. If you have not yet extended a warm welcome to them, please do so as soon as possible. Let them know how pleased we are that they are a part of God's family here.

Also, please welcome **T.J.**, **Erin**, **Evie** and **Sammy Wells** to our church family. They placed their membership with us last Sunday. We are delighted to have them with us and look forward to their being involved in the work here.

We have now concluded our studies of **Daniel** and **James** and have begun a study of **Ecclesiastes** in our Sunday morning class and a study of **Hebrews** in our Wednesday evening class. Please join us for these studies.