

## 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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April 6—Kathy Patterson, Ruth Stewart



There are no anniversaries on the calendar this week.

# Church of Christ

April 3, 2022

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## ELDERS

Kurt Harrison  
Roger Rush

## DEACONS

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

## MINISTER

Roger Rush

## EXCUSES

One of the most familiar passages in the Old Testament is the story of Adam and Eve and the forbidden fruit (Genesis 3). They ate of the *"tree of the knowledge of good and evil,"* in spite of the fact that God had specifically forbidden them to eat its fruit. When confronted with his sin, Adam responded, *"The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat"* (Genesis 3:12). In other words, *"Yes, Lord, I did it, but it wasn't my fault, it was that woman!"*

When Eve was questioned, she said, *"The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat"* (Genesis 3:13). Or again, *"It's not my fault, the devil made me do it!"*

Since that tragic day men have continued to offer excuses for their sins. An excuse is no more acceptable now than it was then. It is, by the way, only the skin of a reason stuffed with a lie. It is an effort to place the burden of guilt or blame for one's mistakes on someone else.

When are we going to learn that we are responsible for our actions? I like the story of the little boy who pushed his playmate into a ditch, hit him with a stone, and then spat in his face. When his mother found out what had hap-

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### SCHEDULE - April 10, 2022

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

#### SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: T.J. Wells

#### WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Albert Baltzer

PM: Tim Loughry

#### PRAYER

AM: Darrell Hague

Greg Cline

PM: Todd Hague

Harry Ogletree

#### SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Coen Eddy

PM: John Dollison

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey

#### Wednesday—April 13, 2022

SONG LEADER: Dennis Dye

PRAYER: Coen Eddy/Paul Jacoby

DEVO: Michael Morgan

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Roger Rush

STATISTICS-March 27, 2022

Sunday Bible Class	60
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Morning Worship	162
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Evening Worship	58
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Wednesday Classes	66
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BIBLECALL (740) 373-3222

WEBSITE [www.sawcoc.org](http://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.

TODAY’S SERMONS

**AM:** Things money cannot buy!  
Reading: I Tim. 6:17-19

**PM:** Guest Speaker—**John Orr**—  
HomeMission  
Reading: T.B.A.

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

Butterworth: **Bruce Rose** (June’s son)  
Cleveland: **Carolyn Magers** (Pat Ralston’s sister-in-law)  
Waterview Pointe: **Kathryn Venham**  
Smith Mill Health Rehab Center: **Thelma Feisley** (Randy’s mother)

PRAYER LIST

**Jon Wiblin** (Nancy Ward’s son)  
**Sandi Witzling** (friend of Carol Ware)  
**Sharon Armstrong** (Mary Lauck’s daughter) \*full prayer list is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer

THANK YOU

A thank you note is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Sue Biehl**.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Beth E. Thompson** (**Paul Hickman’s** niece). Memorial services were held Thursday at the McClure-Schafer-Lankford Funeral Home.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Sandra Sue Walker** (**Elsie BOWENS’** sister-in-law). Memorial services were held Thursday in Kentucky.

**UPCOMING EVENTS** \*flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer

GOSPEL MEETINGS

April 3rd—6th—Bridge Street Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Steven Hague-wood**  
April 3rd—7th—Steelton Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Tim Hatfield**  
April 24th—27th—North End Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Tim Hatfield**  
April 24th-28th—Chester , WV Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Eddie Cooper**  
April 24th—29th—Cambridge Church of Christ—Guest speaker: **Andy Robison**

CONGREGATION

May 14th—8:00 a.m.—Mid-Western Children’s Home, Pleasant Plain, Ohio—Caring Hearts 5K Run/Walk

LADIES INSPIRATION DAYS

April 23rd—8:30 a.m.—Steelton, WV Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Heather Pryor**  
April 23rd—9:00 a.m.—North End Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Tammy Hatfield**

SENIOR DAY

April 9th—9:30 a.m.—Chester, WV Church of Christ—Guest Speakers: **John Keith & Noah West**

YOUTH

May 7th—5:00.—8:00 p.m.—Riverboat Cruise In an Enchanted Forest (formal Night/Prom Alternative)- Valley Gem Stern-wheeler

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pened, she lectured him, telling him that he should not have let Satan cause him to treat his friend that way. The little boy responded, "Mother, Satan did tell me to push him in the ditch and hit him with the rock but spitting in his face was my own idea!" The youngster was at least willing to accept responsibility for part of his actions. Many adults are not.

How many times have you heard someone excuse poor manners, or a bad temper by saying, "I'm just tired," or "I haven't been feeling well"? Rather than dealing with the sin and overcoming it, we tend to make excuses to justify it. Maybe that appears to work for us now, but the time is coming when it will not (Hebrews 9:27).

When are you going to begin to worship faithfully? When are you going to obey Jesus? The time for excuses is past. The time for action is now.

—Roger

SIGN UP SHEETS

There are sign up sheets on the bulletin board in the foyer for the following:

Ladies Tea—If you have any questions, please see **Bev Dollison**.

Men—Teachers for the Sunday morning adult Bible class “Parables of Jesus” (Summer 2022—June-August) - If you have any questions, please see **Michael Morgan**.

Teachers/Assistants—Wednesday night Vacation Bible School “Faithful Bible Investigators—The Promised One” (Summer 2022—June-August) for children Pre-K through 6th Grade—If you have any questions, please see **Michael Morgan**.

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

**Darrell Hague** will be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening. **Michael Morgan** will be our devotional speaker April 13.

God willing, I will be with the church in Belington, WV next week (April 10-14). **Harry Ogletree** and **Kurt Harrison** will be preaching and teaching in my absence. In case you are wondering, this will be my last meeting until fall.

Also, last week was our last *Thursday Ladies Class* until October. God willing, we plan to resume our study of Genesis in the fall. October 6 is the date for the resumption of that study.

Don’t forget that **John Orr** from *HomeMission* will be with us tonight to speak at our 5 o’clock assembly. I hope you will be able to be here to hear his presentation.

Have you marked May 21 and 22 on your calendar for our annual ***Ladies Tea*** and ***Friends and Family Day?*** It should be a great weekend, and I hope you will clear your schedule so you can be here. **Tim** and **Tammy Hatfield** will be with us, and I know you always enjoy them.

Our annual Wednesday evening ***Summer Series*** is rapidly approaching. The theme this summer is *Preaching from the Prophets*, and we have an outstanding slate of speakers scheduled for the series.

Our Sunday morning ***Summer Series*** theme will be *Parables of Jesus*. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the foyer for men of the congregation to teach this class.

Have a good afternoon, and I will look forward to seeing you again at 5:00 this afternoon.

BENEVOLENT PROJECT

We are collecting “gently used” clothing items, furniture, appliances, etc. for the OVU Thrift Shop. If you would like to donate, please place items in multipurpose room 19 by today. If you have larger items that you are unable to bring to the building, please let **Paul Jacoby** know and he will make arrangements to pick them up.