

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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May 1—Scarlett Reich, Linda Thomas

May 4—Sharon Anderson

May 5—Jim Falkenberg, Kaitlyn Forshey, Casey Hague

May 7—Joshua Ritchey



May 3—Jim & Carolyn Falkenberg

Church of Christ

May 1, 2022

Sixth and Washington Sts., Marietta, Ohio 45750...Office Phone (740) 373-3240



ELDERS

Kurt Harrison
Roger Rush

DEACONS

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

MINISTER

Roger Rush

JUST A CHRISTIAN

Charles L. Allen, in his book **God's Psychiatry** (pg. 49), makes the following observation. "I am a Methodist," he wrote, "but I could be just as good a Christian as a Baptist or as a Presbyterian or in any denomination which says with Peter, 'Thou art Christ, the son of the living God'" (Matthew 16:16). Mr. Allen expressed the sentiments of many in the denominational world. Denominational ties are unimportant!

If you share Mr. Allen's thinking, I will ask one question of you. "Why not be just a Christian?" If denominational ties are not essential, then cut them! Wouldn't it be wonderful if all who acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God, would unite under the banner of the cross? What a tremendous force for good such a multitude would be (John 17:20, 21).

Of course, this could not be done without giving up some of the cherished practices of the denominational world. Sprinkling, pouring, and infant baptism would vanish for lack of biblical authority. There would be no more spaghetti suppers or bingo parties in the name of religion, but the Lord's work would be financed through the freewill offerings of Christians (1 Corinthians 16:1, 2). All

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SCHEDULE - May 8, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: Dennis Dye

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Tim Loughry

PM: Michael Morgan

PRAYER

AM: Darrell Hague

Adam Burkhart

PM: Mark Harris

Harry Ogletree

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Albert Baltzer

PM: Paul Jacoby

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey

Wednesday—May 11, 2022

SONG LEADER: Dennis Dye

PRAYER: Michael Morgan/Alan Ralston

DEVO: Mark Harris

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Roger Rush

STATISTICS-April 24, 2022

<u>Sunday Bible Class</u>	<u>73</u>
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<u>Morning Worship</u>	<u>170</u>
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<u>Evening Worship</u>	<u>68</u>
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<u>Wednesday Classes</u>	<u>63</u>
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OFFICE PHONE (740) 373-3240 CARE LINE (740) 373-3909

BIBLECALL (740) 373-3222

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.

TODAY’S SERMONS

AM: Trouble in Israel
Reading: I Kings 18:17-21

PM: The Aim of Preaching
Reading: II Tim. 4:1-5

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

OSU: **Thelma Feisley (Randy’s mother)**
Paul Hickman and **Karen Thompson** are scheduled to have outpatient surgery May 11th.

PRAYER LIST

Brenda Elders
Jennifer Fryman (Gertie’s sister-in-law)
David & Winnie Gerken (friends of **Norm & Dorothy Wilkinson**) *full prayer list is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Carolyn Wiggins Magers (Pat Ralston’s sister-in-law)**. Memorial services are incomplete at this time.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Ann Thomas, Norm & Dorothy Wilkinson, and Pat Love.**

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

GOSPEL MEETINGS

May 1-5—Caldwell church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Phil Grear**
May 13-15—Faith Festival—Dunbar, WV—Please RSVP dunbarcoc@gmail.com
May 22nd—9 a.m.—2:30 p.m.—Friends & Family Day—6th & Washington Streets Church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Tim Hatfield**

CONGREGATION

May 14th—8:00 a.m.—Mid-Western Children’s Home, Pleasant Plain, Ohio—Caring Hearts 5K Run/Walk
May 22nd—3:00—4:00 p.m.—Mid-Ohio Valley Area Wide Sing—Theme “The Story Behind the Song” - Hopewell Church of Christ—Featured Song Leaders: **Sam Doak, Bob Hoffman, John Life, and Ray Wright**

LADIES TEA

May 21st—2:00 p.m.—6th & Washington Streets Church of Christ—Ladies Tea—Guest Speaker: **Tammy Hatfield**

YOUTH

May 7th—5:00.—8:00 p.m.—Riverboat Cruise In an Enchanted Forest (formal Night/Prom Alternative)- Valley Gem Stern-wheeler
May 20th—21st—Self Esteem Youth Rally with **Keith Parker**—Sunrise church of Christ’s 2nd Annual Youth Event
June 12-17—OVCYC Senior Week (Ages 13-18) Wirt County 4-H Camp Barbe in Elizabeth, West Virginia—Registration forms are available in the foyer
June 19-24—OVCYC Junior Week (Ages 8-13) Wirt County 4-H Camp Barbe in Elizabeth, West Virginia—Registration forms are available in the foyer

PANTRY

The pantry is well stocked at this time.

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sectarian names would cease, and men would be Christians only (Acts 11:26). There would be no earthly headquarters for the church, and no outside control over the local congregation. Christ and His word would be our only authority (1 Peter 4:11). Love (John 13:25), unity (John 17:20, 21), and faithfulness to the Lord and His word would identify us as disciples of Christ (Matthew 7:21-23).

Is it possible to be just a Christian? Absolutely! That is exactly what we discover as we read the New Testament. Read it for yourself. See if you can find a single modern denomination mentioned in the New Testament. There are none! Why should there be any today.

Why not be just a Christian?
—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**

BENEVOLENT PROJECT

Potter Children’s Home & Family Ministries will be in our area the week of June 5th. Pantry items requested this year: **Bathroom Cleaner, Chocolate Frosting, Cranberry Juice, Nitrile Gloves, and Ritz Crackers.** If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to church of Christ with “Potter” in the memo line. Please turn donations into the office by May 29th.

RAMBLINGS --By Roger

Tim Loughry will be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening. **Mark Harris** will be our devotional speaker May 11.

It is really important to be welcoming to visitors to our assemblies. I want to encourage you to go out of your way to meet folks and invite them to return. We want to be known as a friendly and caring church. That is only possible when all of us make the effort to greet visitors and welcome them to our assemblies. Invite them to sit with you. Offer to show them where the restrooms are. Ask if they have any questions about our services or the church in general. Encourage them to return. Every soul is precious, and we need to do all we can to let our visitors know that they matter to God and to us!

Our upcoming **Ladies’ Tea** and **Friends and Family Day** (May 21 & 22) provide an ideal opportunity for us to invite family, friends, and neighbors to worship with us. Why not make a list of five to ten people you would like to invite and then start extending those invitation?

There are still openings for men to teach our Sunday morning *Summer Series* from the parables of Jesus. There are also several dates available for you to help with our Wednesday evening VBS. Please consider signing up soon. June is rapidly approaching, and we need to have all the dates covered for Sunday morning and Wednesday evening.

This past week was a special week for **Beverly Dollison**. Monday (April 25) she celebrated her birthday, and Thursday (April 28) she retired from **Poynter’s Business Solutions**. Our best wishes to her for a long and enjoyable retirement!

Also, our special thanks to **Eric Brown** for trimming the trees in our lower lot.

Enjoy your afternoon, and I will look forward to seeing you again at 5:00 for our evening assembly.

