Church of Christ

534 Sixth Street

Marietta, Ohio 45750



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY Bible Classes

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

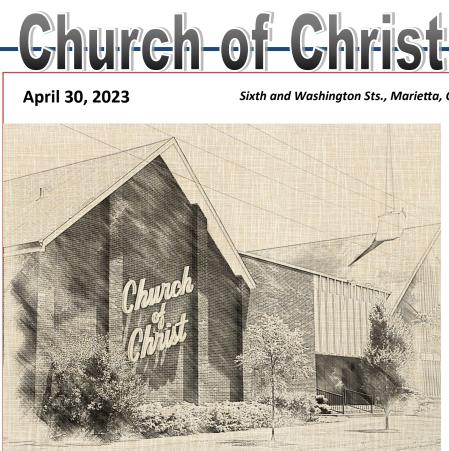


May 1—Scarlett Reich, Linda Thomas May 4—Sharon Anderson May 5—Jim Falkenberg, Kaitlyn Forshey, Casey Hague



May 3—Jim & Carolyn Falkenberg

SCHEDULE - May 7, 2023 CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey	
<u>Wednesday—May 10, 2023</u>	
SONG LEADER: T.J. Wells	
PRAYER: Harry Ogletree/Joe Crone	
Devo: Michael Morgan	
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Roger Rush	
STATISTICS April 22 2022	
STATISTICS-April 23, 2023	
Sunday Bible Class 90	
Morning Worship 182	
Evening Worship 74	
Wednesday Classes 86	
Contribution \$4,855	
OFFICE PHONE (740) 373-3240 CARE LINE (740) 373-3909	
BIBLECALL (740) 373-3222	
WEBSITE www.sawcoc.org (Please note that videos from	
our sermons are now available on our website)	
PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK—Instant Potatoes	



The Poor Old Wise Man

There is a story told of a poor old wise man, who one day helped his city. The small city in which he lived had few men, and as a result, their defenses were weak. They had few soldiers, and few people in this little city. One day, a great king with many cities and many lands decided that he needed to add one more city to the list. He rallied his soldiers and surrounded this small city where the poor wise man dwelt. He used the strength of his army to build large siegeworks against the walls of the small city. Within no time the king would occupy the city for himself—or so he thought.

With little to no defense, the poor wise man of the city realized that something needed to be done or else all his community would be enslaved or slaughtered. Because this man was prudent, he knew of passages outside of the city that no one else did. And so, he helped the whole city of people escape the siege, saving them from the wrath of a great tyrannical king.

The people were saved, yet no one honored the poor man. They didn't put

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ELDERS

Tom Eddy Kurt Harrison Todd Hague Roger Rush

DEACONS

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

MINISTERS

Hunter Melott Roger Rush

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TODAY'S SERMONS

- AM: A Broken Heart Minister: Hunter Melott Reading: Psalm 51
- **PM**: T.B.A.

Young Mens Night: Jake Bradford Reading: I Cor. 12:26-27

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: Ray Anderson

Gary Smith, Bill Whaton, and Russ Schramm were in the hospital and are now at home.

Frances Barry (Julie Harris' mother) is at Harmar Place, Room 304, 401 Harmar Street, Marietta, OH 45750.

Ward Woodyard (Brenda Kirkbride's father) is at Ohio Health Rehabilitation— Dublin for rehab therapy. The address is Room 109, 3805 Emerald Parkway, Dublin, OH 43016

David Carrell is scheduled to have shoulder surgery May 18th and will be unable to drive for a month. If you are able to help with transportation to and from services, please see Benevolent Deacon, **Paul Jacoby**.

PRAYER LIST

Lisa Chociej

Elizabeth Davis (Diana Miller's granddaughter)

Jessie Dailey

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Diana Miller**. Memorial services were held Tuesday.

TEACHERS

Material for the Junior Summer Series in available in the library.

GOSPEL MEETINGS

May 13th 10 a.m.—2:30 p.m.—2023 Day of Edification "The Mountain of the Lord" -Chapel Hill church of Christ—Guest Speakers: Alan Cole, Jeff Banton, Hunter Hackworth, & Ron Thomas

LADIES DAY

May 6th—9:00 a.m.–11:45 a.m.—Ladies Inspirational Day—Virginia Ave. church of Christ, Chester, West Virginia—Guest Speakers: **Danielle Burch & Tam Raynor**

May 13th—Ladies Inspiration Day— Harrisville church of Christ - Ellenboro City Building Dining Hall (Old Ellenboro Grade School)—Guest Speaker: **Deirdra Miller**

YOUTH NIGHT

May 1st at 6:00 p.m.—Norval Park church of Christ, Zanesville, Ohio—Pre-teen through college age students

May 6th—6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.—Riverboat Cruise on the Nile (Formal Night/ Prom Alternative)

*Flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer with more information.

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him in a high position within the kingdom, instead he returned to his normal position of being an outcast. In the coming years, the poor man died, and no one remembered him.

The story you just read is depressing. It comes from Solomon the wise man (Eccl. 9:14-15), which probably explains its bleakness. Solomon continued to write, *"Wisdom is better than strength. But the wisdom of the poor man is despised, and his words are not heard"* (Eccl. 9:16).

This story conveys to us the general truth that no matter how wise one may be, if he is poor, people will interpret his wisdom as foolishness. If one is rich, however, their opinion is interpreted as valid, and their speech during trouble is seen as daring and brave.

If we looked deep within our hearts, we would see that this principle is well and alive today. People more readily listen to someone with more fame, more followers, more status, and more money. This is the way of human beings.

Someone might look at you in the same way they look at the poor man. They may see your Christian humility and lowliness and consider it weakness. They may cast you aside as a foolish, poor, and wayward soul not worthy of their time or attention. It happened to Jesus, it happened to Paul, and it can certainly happen to us.

Thank God that he does not see us in the light that other humans do. To God, we are precious, for we are made in his image. He loves us regardless of our socioeconomic status. It doesn't matter if we live in a mansion or in a shack, God peers through the surface to gaze at what lies within. God shows no favoritism, and neither should we.

-Hunter

THANK YOU

A thank you note is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Ted** & **Susie Patterson**.

Hunter Melott will be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening.

Don't forget that this evening our young men will be leading our worship. Jake Bradford will be our speaker.

One week from today **Hunter** will assume responsibility for our radio program (*Truth for Today*). I hope you will tune in. You will find the relevant information regarding times and stations elsewhere in this bulletin.

Our annual Summer Series is only a month away. Schedules are available in the foyer. I hope you will make a special effort to be here for each of those Wednesday even sessions. Also, if you can help with the Sunday morning Summer Series or the midweek series for our young people, please sign up on the appropriate signup sheets located on the board in the foyer. If you have any questions, please see **Michael Morgan** our deacon in charge of our Bible school program.

New flooring was being installed in the multipurpose room this week. As I write this, I am unsure as to how long this project will take, but I'm hopeful that it has been completed by the time you read this, or at least is near completion.

During the month of May, I will be speaking at both our morning and evening assemblies. **Hunter** will be teaching our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening adult classes. My last Sunday with you will be May 28.

Enjoy your day, and I will look forward to seeing you again at 5:00!

BAPTISM

Carly Holdren was baptized Sunday morning. Please welcome **Carly** to this congregation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the foyer for those willing to be greeters Sunday mornings. If you have any questions, please see **Alan Ralston**.