

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 10—Sharon Smith, Maggie Wood
 April 11—John Eppley, Alan Ralston
 April 12—Deanna Hilliard
 April 14—Ann Thomas



April 13—Joe & Melinda Crone
 April 15—Lloyd & Shirley Westbrook

Church of Christ

April 9, 2023

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ELDERS

Kurt Harrison
Roger Rush

DEACONS

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

MINISTERS

Hunter Melott
Roger Rush

Priorities

Gordon Dahl in **Work, Play and Worship in a Leisure-Oriented Society** wrote: "Most middle-class Americans tend to worship their work, to work at their play, and to play at their worship. As a result, their meanings and values are distorted. Their relationships disintegrate faster than they can keep them in repair, and their lifestyles resemble a class of characters in search of a plot." He was right!

I suspect a careful and honest evaluation of our lives would reveal a similar problem with our own priorities. Things which are not all that important are allowed to become the driving forces of life. Things that really are important are set aside, and sometimes completely forgotten. Every so often, however, something happens that causes us to reassess our values. It may be illness, the sudden death of a friend, an accident, or financial setback. Whatever it is, it reminds us that the things we thought were important yesterday, really weren't all that important after all.

When you get to the heart of the matter, the thing that matters most is our preparation for eternity. That is precisely what Jesus was emphasizing when He asked: "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his

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SCHEDULE - April 16, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: Tim Wells

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Todd Hague

PM: T.J. Wells

PRAYER

AM: Christian Bettinger

Randy Feisley

PM: Dennis Dye

John Forshey

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Joe Crone

PM: John Dollison

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: John Forshey

Wednesday—April 19, 2023

SONG LEADER: John Forshey

PRAYER: Darrell Hague/Adam Burkhart

Devo: Harry Ogletree

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Kurt Harrison

STATISTICS-April 2, 2023

Sunday Bible Class	61
Morning Worship	177
Evening Worship	90
Wednesday Classes	80
Contribution	\$4,937

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—The pantry is well stocked at this time. Thank you for your donations.

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Preaching the Truth in Love
Minister: **Roger Rush**
Reading: Eph. 4:11-16

PM: Be Ready
Minister: **Hunter Melott**
Reading: I Peter 3:15

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

Lefty Cline, Donna Moseley, and Geraldine Mackey (Sarah Schafer's sister) were in the hospital and are now at home.

Robert Patterson, Jr. was in the hospital and is now back at Muskingum Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation in Beverly, Ohio.

Kevin Offenberger had foot surgery Friday at Selby.

PRAYER LIST

Jon Wiblin (Nancy Ward's son)

Sandi Witzling (friend of Carol Ware)

Ray Anderson

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to volunteer to help in the audio/video room during services, please let **Kurt Harrison** or **John Forshey** know.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to **Joyce Ross** in the death of her brother, **Roger Max Nichols**. Memorial services were held Monday in Pennsboro, West Virginia.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

We will be updating our directory this year. Picture dates have been scheduled for August 22nd & 23rd and August 29th. Please mark these dates on your calendar so we can have all who attend pictured in our updated directory.

GOSPEL MEETINGS

April 16th-19th—North End church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Phil Sanders**

April 16th—19th—West Union church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Terry G. Jones**

April 16th at 3:00 p.m.—Area Wide Service—Camden Avenue church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Doug Wells**

April 17th—20th—Summerfield church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Sam Bartrug**

SENIOR DAY

April 22nd—9:30 a.m.—noon—church of Christ Chester, West Virginia—Guest Speakers: **David Roach & Dale Parsley**

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—Save the Date—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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own soul? Or, what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26). When it comes time to die, and that time is coming for all of us, we had better be prepared. But that can't happen if our priorities are misplaced.

In the middle of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus urged His disciples not to get too wrapped up in the things of this world. He admonished: *"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; all these things shall be added unto you"* (Matthew 6:33). The God who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds will provide for His own. I can offer no better advice for here and hereafter than to encourage you to "seek first the kingdom." Christ and His kingdom should have first place in every life (Colossians 1:18).

-Roger

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

Tom Eddy will be our devo speaker this Wednesday evening.

April has five Sundays in it, so the last Sunday evening of the month the young men of the congregation will lead our worship. **Jake Bradford** will be our speaker at that service. I hope you will make a special effort to be here and encourage all those who participate.

As I mentioned last week, our *Thursday Ladies Class* will continue through May 4. God willing, at that time we will wrap up our study of Genesis. My special thanks to you, ladies, for the surprise pizza luncheon, the special plaque, and the gift cards. That was so unnecessary, but greatly appreciated. I have long said that I would gladly pay to teach that class. I have taught it for 38 years, and some of my most cherished memories of my work here revolve around that class!

God willing, next Sunday I will begin a gospel meeting with the Sandyville congregation where **Kyle Lancaster** serves as the local evangelist. It is a thriving county congregation in West Virginia located not too far from Ravenswood and Ripley. I will be able to drive each evening, so I'll maintain my normal schedule here during the day. This is my last meeting this spring.

It is good to have some of our "snowbirds" back from Florida. Those I have seen include **John and Barb Eppley, Paul and Barb Hickman, and Julie Harris**. I understand that **Mark Harris** will soon be back with us too.

I know that today is a busy day for most families, but I hope that you are not so busy that you fail to return for our five o'clock assembly. **Hunter** will be preaching at that service.



FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

Please mark your calendars for our Annual Ladies Tea & Friends & Family Day, September 9th & 10th with **Joshua & Morgan Ball**.