

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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August 21—Sinda Isner
August 22—Makin Brewer
August 23—Robert Patterson, Jr.
August 25—Amy Hague



August 24—Paul & Valerie Jacoby

Church of Christ

August 20, 2023

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ELDERS

Tom Eddy Kurt Harrison
Todd Hague

DEACONS

Mark Harris Michael Morgan
Paul Jacoby Alan Ralston
Tim Loughry TJ Wells

MINISTER

Hunter Melott

Plans

“Many plans are in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand” (Proverbs 19:21).

We are all familiar with the concept of “plans.” We are also aware that sometimes plans do not pan out in the way we thought they would. One may say, “I planned to go to the grocery store this evening, but something else came up.” We may even have long-term plans for our future. These plans may come to fruition, or they may not, but one thing is sure—God’s plans will always be established!

Let us take a moment to consider the nature of God’s plans.

God’s plans were formed long ago. Consider 2 Kings 19:25, *“Have you not heard? Long ago I did it; from days of old I planned it. Now I have brought it to pass...”* God knows his plans, and he formed them before the world even began. Before the foundation of the world had formed, *“he chose us in him...that we would be holy and blameless before him in love”* (Ephesians 1:4). God has not

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SCHEDULE - August 27, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells

PM: T.J. Wells

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Darrell Hague

PM: Harry Ogletree

PRAYER

AM: Greg Ludolph

Randy Feisley

PM: Dennis Dye

Paul Jacoby

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Greg Cline

PM: Mark Harris

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: Darrell Hague

Wednesday—August 30, 2023

SONG LEADER: Jake Bradford

PRAYER: Mark Harris/T.J. Wells

SS Speaker: Josh Ball

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Kurt Harrison

STATISTICS-August 13, 2023

Sunday Bible Class 91

Morning Worship 191

Evening Worship 79

Wednesday Classes 88

Contribution \$4,313

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BIBLECALL (740) 373-3222

WEBSITE www.sawcoc.org (Please note that videos from our sermons are now available on our website)

PANTRY ITEMS OF THE WEEK—Instant Potatoes

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Paul's Introduction to the Church
In Rome—Part 1
Guest Speaker: **Jake Bradford**
Reading: Exodus 21:2-6

PM: Paul's Introduction to the Church
In Rome—Part 2
Guest Speaker: **Jake Bradford**
Reading: Romans 1:8-15

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

Arlene Shepperd (Herma Eddy's sister) was in the hospital and is now at Eagle Pointe.

Elsie Bowens was in the hospital and is now at home.

Raland & Janet Thompson (Karen's parents) have been dealing with COVID. **Raland** was hospitalized. They are both at Belpre Landing.

David Carrel had shoulder surgery Thursday.

PRAYER LIST

Don Becker, Mabel & Don Bennett (friends of **Dorothy Wilkinson**), and **Jessie Dailey** Added to prayer list: **Dean Thompson** came forward last Sunday asking for prayers from the congregation.

WORLD CHRISTIAN BROADCASTING

We are collecting individual donations to add to a contribution from the congregation for World Christian Broadcasting through the month of August. Please turn donations into the office. Please mark checks "WCB" in the memo line. If you have any questions, please see Mission Deacon, **Alan Ralston**.

DIRECTORY PICTURE DAYS

Directory pictures will be taken by Universal Church Directories beginning this week: **August 21st, 22nd, & 23rd, and September 1st and 2nd.**

An alphabetical list of directory picture appointments is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. **Please arrive 5-8 minutes prior to your appointment time to fill out information for the directory.**

LADIES TEA

Please join us for our Annual Ladies Tea Saturday, September 9th, at 2:00 p.m. with guest speaker, **Morgan Ball** from Pickerington church of Christ. The theme will be "*Amazing Grace for a Woman's Heart*". Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the foyer for those willing to help and those who will be attending. Please see **Bev Dollison** with any questions. Flyers are available in the foyer.

FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

Please join us for our Annual Friends & Family Day, Sunday, September 10th, with guest speaker, **Josh Ball** from Pickerington church of Christ. The theme will be "*The Kingdom*" - *Entering the Kingdom, Living in the Kingdom, and Longing for the Kingdom*. Bible Class will be at 9:00 a.m., Worship at 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Meal at 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m. A Capella Song Service, and 1:30 p.m. Afternoon Worship Service. **There will be no 5:00 p.m. service September 10th.** Flyers are available in the foyer.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Greg & Brenda Ludolph** and **Gene & Susan Strauss**.

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and does not do things arbitrarily, instead, he meticulously plans.

God's plans thwart other's plans against him and us. "Now it happened that when our enemies heard that is was known to us, and that God had thwarted their counsel, then all of us returned to the wall, each one to his work" (Nehemiah 4:15). The wall was rebuilt because God had thwarted the plans of those trying to halt it. God still does this today. Satan's plan is to trap you and me in a snare and keep us in sin until the judgement. He wants to destroy us. God's plan is for us to be redeemed, and he ensures that Satan does not have the power to take us away from him (1 Corinthians 10:13).

God's plans are invincible. The counsel of Yahweh stands forever (Psalm 33:11). God's plans cannot be thwarted; how could one change them? "*Surely, just as I have intended so it has happened, and just as I have counseled so it will stand...For Yahweh of hosts has counseled, and who can thwart it? And as for his stretched-out hand, who can turn it back?*" (Isaiah 14:24, 27). There will never be any person, being or force that can destroy the plans of God.

God's plans benefit his people. Consider the words spoken to Jeremiah: "*For I know the plans that I have for you, declares Yahweh, plans for peace and not for calamity, to give you a future and a hope*" (29:11). God's plans for us are love and redemption. Christ himself was delivered by the "*predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God...*" (Acts 2:23), and it is through Christ that we can be saved.

In light of the information given above, consider God's plans in your life. Your plans may fail because God is planning for you something different and greater. All in all, be thankful for God's plans, even if they contradict your own.

-Hunter

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Carol Mincks**. Memorial services were held yesterday at McCurdy Funeral Home in Beverly, Ohio.

2023 SUMMER SERIES

Please join us on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. for our 2023 Summer Series. The theme this year is: **God is: A study of the nature of God**

August 23—God is gracious—**Jeff Darby**

August 30—God is not mocked—**Josh Ball**

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT SUMMER SERIES

Please join us at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium for our Sunday morning adult Summer Series. The theme this year is **Sermon on the Mount**. Our thanks to **Albert Baltzer** for teaching this morning. Next Sunday morning will be **Tim Loughry**.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOS

Men of the congregation, please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer for Wednesday Night Devos September—December 2023. If you have any questions, please see Worship Deacon, **Tim Loughry**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers for directory picture days September 1st & 2nd, and Sunday greeters. Please see the sign up sheets on the bulletin board in the foyer.

If you are willing to provide transportation to those in need for services, please see Benevolent Deacon, **Paul Jacoby**.

BIBLE SCHOOL—FALL QUARTER

Material for fall quarter is available in the library. Fall quarter begins Sunday, September 3rd, and Wednesday, September 6th. Class promotions will be at this time as well. Classes are available for all ages. Young Children (Under Pre-K), Early Elementary (Pre K—1st Grade, Elementary (2nd—6th Grade), & Young Adult (7th—12th Grade). Adult classes will meet in the auditorium.