

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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September 10—**Evie Wells**
 September 12—**Drew Ullman**
 September 13—**Crissy Brewer**
 September 14—**Adam Burkhart, Tim Loughry, Myra Reich**
 September 16—**Coen Eddy, Kevin Kirkbride, Tyler Vernon**



September 12—**Tim & Kathi Gerber**
 September 14—**Kurt & Danetta Harrison**

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September 10, 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

Do Not Put God to The Test

After Jesus' baptism, he was taken into the wilderness by the Holy Spirit in order to endure a period of fasting (Matthew 4:1-2). This trial was to prepare Jesus for his ministry. It was in the lonely wilderness where without sustenance and human support, Jesus would develop stronger discipline in his human form.

Satan believed that he could overcome the Son of God through temptation, while he was in a weakened state and a fleshly form. There are three temptations that are recorded for us in the gospels of Matthew and Luke, but it is the second temptation which we will focus on. Satan quoted from Psalm 91: *"For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone"* (11-12, see Matthew 4:6; Luke 4:10-11). This Psalm is certainly Messianic, but Satan, as he is so apt to do, twisted it in order to deceive Jesus.

It is obvious that the Father would not allow Jesus to die from natural means or die before his time. The Psalm bears witness to the fact that Jesus would be

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SCHEDULE - September 17, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: Tim Wells
PM: Greg Cline

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Tim Loughry
PM: Alan Ralston

PRAYER

AM: Christian Bettinger
 Adam Burkhart
PM: Todd Hague
 Darrell Hague

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Albert Baltzer
PM: John Dollison

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: Jim Zetterberg

Wednesday—September 20, 2023

SONG LEADER: John Forshey

PRAYER: Harry Ogletree/John Forshey

Devo: Tom Eddy

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Hunter Melott

STATISTICS-September 3, 2023

Sunday Bible Class	75
Morning Worship	171
Evening Worship	80
Wednesday Classes	70
Contribution	\$4,190

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 ITEMS OF THE WEEK—Macaroni & Cheese

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Living in the Kingdom
Guest Speaker: **Joshua Ball**
Reading: Daniel 2:44-45

PM: Longing for the Kingdom
Guest Speaker: **Joshua Ball**
Reading: Rev. 21:9-10

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

Mark Casto was in the hospital and is now at home.

Dorothy Wilkinson had cataract surgery August 29th and is scheduled to have the other eye surgery September 12th.

Mary McCracken is now at Elison Assisted Living and Memory Care, Room C8, 150 Browns Road, Marietta, OH 45750. No visitors at this time please. Cards are appreciated.

PRAYER LIST

Mary Lauck

Geraldine Mackey (Sarah Schafer's sister)

Donald McCain (Dorothy Wilkinson's brother-in-law)

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Charles Loughry** (Tim's father). Memorial services were held Wednesday at Hadley Funeral Home in Reno.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The worship schedule is now available online at www.sawcoc.org/schedule (Please note this is a correction from last weeks' bulletin). A paper copy will still be given to each man serving a week prior to the new month at this time. Please check the schedule and let the deacon in charge know if you are unable to serve. If you would like to be added to the schedule, please complete a form available in the foyer or the office. If you have any questions, please see Worship Deacon, **Tim Loughry**.



FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

Thank you for joining us for our Annual Friends & Family Day with guest speaker, **Joshua Ball**, from Pickerington church of Christ. Please join us for a Fellowship Meal following the morning service. At 1:00 p.m., there will be an A Capella Song Service, followed by a 1:30 p.m. Afternoon Worship Service. **There will be no 5:00 p.m. service today.**

WORLD CHRISTIAN BROADCASTING

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protected in his life, and through our reading of Scripture, we find this to be true. There are many examples of Jesus escaping trouble from the Jews. Sometimes he would disappear in some way (John 8:59). Another time right before an attempted execution he simply walked right passed his would-be executers and left (Luke 4:29-30). These examples show God's ultimate preservation of Jesus and are part of the fulfillment of Psalm 91.

While it is true that the Psalm which Satan quoted teaches the protection of Jesus, it does not mean that Jesus was willing to purposefully force the Father to protect him as a means of testing. Jesus replied to Satan's attack with, "It is also written: Do not put the Lord your God to the test" (Matthew 4:7, see Deuteronomy 6:16). Jesus saw the ridiculousness involved with throwing himself off a building in order to prove that God would protect him.

Today, we see a parkour stunt man climb buildings without harnesses, jump gaps between roof tops, and free dive off of high peaks with little equipment, and we call it "testing fate." Jesus considered taking the leap as "testing God."

We must be careful in what we say and do lest we find ourselves to be testing God. May we emulate the response of Jesus when Satan also tempts us to test God.

-Hunter

PANTRY

Five families received food from our pantry last month.

The pantry item of the week is: Macaroni & Cheese

BIBLE SCHOOL—FALL QUARTER

Please join us for Bible Class. 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), and Adult.

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 question, please see Worship Deacon, **Tim Loughry**.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Craig & JoAnn Legleitner** and **David Carrel**.



BACK TO SCHOOL

10 verses to pray over your kids as they head back to school

1. Ephesians 4:32—Ask God to help them be kind.
2. Joshua 1:9—Praise God for always being with them.
3. Proverbs 10:9—Ask God to help them walk in integrity this year.
4. Psalm 56:3—Ask God to help them put their trust in him.
5. Philippians 4:6-7—Ask God to help them not worry.
6. Luke 2:52—Ask God to help them grow this year.
7. Proverbs 17:17—Pray for their friends.
8. Colossians 3:23—Ask God to help them work hard.
9. James 1:5—Ask God to give them wisdom.
10. Philippians 4:12—Pray for their contentment in all circumstances.