

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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December 10—**Janice Christman**
 December 11—**Gary Marshall**
 December 13—**Sammy Wells**
 December 14—**Christian Bettinger, Barbara Casto**—
 90th Birthday
 December 15—**Elsie Bowens, Ida Harris**
 December 16—**Todd Hague**



December 16—**Charlie & Lori Houser**

Church of Christ

December 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

Unrighteous Anger

Some weeks ago I wrote an article on anger. It was titled, “Be Angry, And Do Not Sin.” Anger is not inherently sinful. It is an emotion which God has given us for a purpose. When we see obscured justice, murder, theft, abduction, etc., it *should* make us angry. Anger should make us wish to right wrongs. If sin evokes no anger in us, then we have become far too desensitized.

However, there are ways that anger can be sinful. It is a good, God given emotion, but Satan can corrupt nearly anything, and he will use our anger for his purposes if we are not careful. Paul wrote, “*Be angry and yet do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not give the devil an opportunity*” (Ephesians 4:26-27). The first portion of verse twenty-six is a quote from **Psalm 4:4**, and in the Psalms the following phrase sheds light on the rest of Paul’s statements about anger and the devil— “*Meditate in your heart and be still*” (Psalm 4:4b). In other words, remain calm, refuse to lash out, and allow your heart to be still.

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SCHEDULE - December 17, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Todd Hague

SONG LEADER

AM: T.J. Wells

PM: John Forshey

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Christian Bettinger

PM: Tim Loughry

PRAYER

AM: Harry Ogletree

Randy Feisley

PM: Dennis Dye

John Forshey

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Coen Eddy

PM: John Dollison

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: Jim Zetterberg

Wednesday—December 20, 2023

SONG LEADER: Greg Cline

PRAYER: Darrell Hague/Adam Burkhart

Devo: T.J. Wells

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Hunter Melott

STATISTICS—November 26, 2023

Sunday Bible Class	74
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Morning Worship	157
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Evening Worship	89
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Wednesday Classes	62
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Contribution	\$4,440
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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—Instant Potatoes

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: But Who Do You Say That I Am?

Guest Speaker: **Harry Ogletree**

Reading: Matthew 16:13-20

PM: Why Did You Doubt?

Guest Speaker: **Harry Ogletree**

Reading: Matthew 14:22-33

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: **Junior Nolan**

Marge Stacy was in the hospital and is now at Harmar Place.

Bill McFarland is recovering from knee replacement.

PRAYER LIST

Kimberly Hall

Timmy Helmick (friend of **Ann Thomas**)

Aaron Herbert (friend of **Karen Thompson**)

Added to prayer list: **Ralph Kehl** (Sue's brother) had a stroke, **Patty Kehl** (Sue's niece) is dealing with cancer

PANTRY ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Instant Potatoes

BENEVOLENT PROJECT

We will be collecting individual monetary donations to purchase fuel cards to be used for benevolence in 2024. If you would like to donate, please turn checks into the office by December 31st. Please mark in the memo "fuel cards". If you have any questions, please see, Benevolent Deacon, **Paul Jacoby**.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **The family of Don Becker** and **Susie Patterson**.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOS

The sign up sheet for 2024 Wednesday Night Devos is on the bulletin board in the foyer for the men of the congregation. If you have any questions, please see Worship Deacon, **Tim Loughry**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer for volunteers to be greeters, open & close the building, prepare communion cups, and baking communion bread for 2024.

POWER FOR TODAY

The January-February-March 2024 Power for today is available.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

The new directory is currently being organized. New directories should arrive around January.

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Perhaps Paul had the whole of v.4 in mind. The literal translation of v.27 is "and do not give the devil a place." A place where? A place in our heart. Paul is telling the Ephesians to remember Psalm 4:4. He is saying, *"Remember the Psalms. Do not be angry all day. Instead, lay down and allow your heart to become calm. Meditate and don't allow the devil any room in your heart!"*

A verse that perfectly pairs with this text is found in Romans 12:19: *"Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room (Lit. give a place) for the wrath of God, for it is written: 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay,' says the Lord."* When we are angry and wish to seek vengeance, we must leave room for God, and give the devil no place in our heart!

Unrighteous anger is when we give the devil a place instead of God. When we allow our anger to fester and turn into vengeance whether physical or verbal we partake in unrighteous anger. So, when you get angry, try to *"Tremble (with anger) and do not sin; meditate in your heart upon your bed, and be still"* (Psalm 4:4). Do not give the devil a place in your heart, give it to God!

—Hunter



BIBLE SCHOOL

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.

THURSDAY LADIES CLASS

Please join us for Thursday Ladies Class at 10:00 a.m. in the multipurpose room. The study is I John.

GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

Divine Love: John 3:16

God's Grace: Ephesians 2:8

Christ's Blood: Romans 5:9

Holy Spirit's Word: I Corinthians 2:12-13

Sinner's Faith: Acts 16:31

Sinner's Repentance: Luke 13:3

Sinner's confession: Romans 10:10

Sinner's Baptism: Acts 22:16

Christian's Love: Matthew 22:37

Christian's Work: James 2:24

Christian's Hope: Romans 8:24

Christian's Endurance: Revelation 2:10

DEACON ASSIGNMENTS

Benevolence—**Paul Jacoby/Alan Ralston**

Building & Grounds —**T.J. Wells/Mark Harris**

Education—**Michael Morgan/Mark Harris**

Fellowship & Youth Activities—**Mark Harris/Paul Jacoby**

Finance—**Tim Loughry/Alan Ralston/Mark Harris**

Local Evangelism & Missions—**Alan Ralston/T.J. Wells**

Visitors—**Alan Ralston/all deacons**

Worship—**Tim Loughry/Michael Morgan**