

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 16—Coen Eddy, Kevin Kirkbride, Tyler Vernon

September 17—Brandi Benson, Hannah Crone

September 18—Kaitlyn Clovis, Elliott Ullman, Richard Wentz

September 19—Kimberly Antill

September 20—Mary McCracken



September 17—Todd & Rhonda Hague

Church of Christ

September 15, 2024 Sixth and Washington Sts., Marietta, Ohio 45750...Office Phone (740) 373-3240



MINISTER

Bill Deem

ELDERS

Tom Eddy Kurt Harrison
Todd Hague Lloyd Westbrook

DEACONS

Michael Morgan Alan Ralston
Paul Jacoby TJ Wells

Bill's Bytes

Autumn is only days away. Soon, the leaves will transform into a vibrant tapestry of reds, oranges, and yellows, and the air will have that crisp feeling to it. Autumn is a season that can teach us many spiritual lessons. In it we see the wisdom that God imbued into His creation.

Solomon teaches us, *"To everything, there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven."* (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

Autumn reminds us of life's cyclical nature. Just as the trees shed their leaves, we, too, experience seasons of change—loss, transition, and renewal. The fallen leaves correspond to the impermanence of earthly things. Yet, even in this shedding, there is purpose. Just as the trees prepare for winter, we must let go of what is no longer needed—sin, bitterness, and worldly attachments. Autumn also shows us that endings pave the way for new beginnings. As we let go of that which we no longer need (or ever needed), we make room for God's will to be done most effectively in our lives.

After the global flood had come to an end, God made a promise to Noah and his family that extends to all the earth until the Day that the Lord returns. *"While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter,*

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SCHEDULE September 22, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lloyd Westbrook

SONG LEADER

AM: T.J. Wells

PM: Jim Zetterberg

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Harry Ogletree

PM: Tim Loughry

PRAYER

AM: Darrell Hague

Christian Bettinger

PM: Albert Baltzer

Todd Hague

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Adam Burkhart

PM: Mark Harris

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: Kurt Harrison

Wednesday—September 25, 2024

SONG LEADER: John Forshey

PRAYER: Darrell Hague/Greg Cline

Devo: George Goddard

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Lloyd Westbrook

STATISTICS-September 8, 2024

Sunday Bible Class 79

Morning Worship 177

Evening Worship 82

Wednesday Classes 81

Contribution \$4,153

OFFICE PHONE (740) 373-3240 CARE LINE (740) 373-3909

BIBLECALL (740) 651-2400 or (304) 420-2416

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

PANTRY ITEMS OF THE WEEK—Instant Pudding/Jello

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: The Greatest Commands: "Strength"

Minister: **Bill Deem**

Reading: Luke 10:25-28

PM: Don't Fret the Anti-Christ

Minister: **Bill Deem**

Reading: I John 2:18-23

PROGRAMS

WJAW FM 100.9—Sunday 8:30 a.m.

WJAW AM 630—Sunday 9:00 a.m.

WMOA AM 1490—Sunday 10:00 a.m.

SEARCH—WTAP—Sunday 7:30 a.m.

SICK

Selby: **Junior Nolan**

Kelly Gray was in the hospital and is now at home.

Please keep **Ray Anderson** in your prayers. He has had two procedures recently at Memorial.

PRAYER LIST

Lisa Westbrook Smith

Ruth Stewart

Susanne Stewart (Nancy Ward's daughter)

Added to prayer list: **Bud & Mary Michael** (friends of **Karen Thompson**)

PANTRY

We helped 8 families with our pantry last month. The pantry item of the week is instant pudding/jello.

THANK YOU

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

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Robert Coil**. Memorial services were held Friday at the McClure-Schafer-Lankford Funeral Home.

INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS

We are collecting individual donations to help with fuel expenses for **Lisa Westbrook Smith**. She is beginning radiation therapy and will be traveling for these treatments. Please turn donations into the office by Sunday, September 22nd. Please make checks payable to church of Christ with "**Lisa**" in the memo.

FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

Please join us Sunday, September 22nd, for our Annual Friends & Family Day. **Clay Brown** will be our guest speaker. We will have Bible Class at 9:00 a.m., Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. followed by a fellowship meal, acapella sing at 1:00 p.m., and Afternoon Worship Service at 1:30 p.m. **There will be no 5:00 p.m. Worship Service on September 22nd.** Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer for the fellowship meal. Meat & rolls will be provided.

YOUTH EVENT

Fall camp at WVCYC will be October 19th 9:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m., ages 11 & up. The theme will be "Where Am I In The Bible?". Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer for more information.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVO SCHEDULE

Men of the congregation—Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer for September—December 2024 Wednesday Night Devos.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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

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day and night, shall not cease." (Genesis 8:22).

Autumn's abundance—the ripe fruits, the gathered crops—speaks of God's faithfulness and providence. Just as farmers reap what they've sown, we, too, reap the consequences of our choices (Galatians 6.7-9). Let's all work to sow seeds of all things godly such as kindness, forgiveness, and love. As we gather the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5.22-23), may our lives manifest the generosity that God has bestowed upon us and may our gratitude be genuine. Autumn invites us to pause and appreciate the abundance God provides in every aspect and level of our lives.

When some Greeks had come to see Jesus, he shared a principle with them that speaks to the biological mechanisms of death and rebirth. *"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain."* (John 12:24)

Autumn's falling leaves are not a sign of weakness but of surrender. The trees relinquish their foliage, but spring will bring forth new growth. Similarly, we must learn to let go—to surrender our desires, our plans, and our will to God. In the barrenness of winter, God continues to work. As we release control to His Lordship, He brings forth beauty and transformation. Autumn teaches us that sometimes, the greatest growth occurs when we yield to His timing and purpose.

As we take in the beauty of the season, may we remember that God orchestrates every season of our lives. May we find peace in the impermanence of life, express gratitude for God's abundant generosity, and learn the art of letting go. Just as autumn prepares the land for winter's rest, may our hearts find rest in our Creator.

—Bill



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 15th—20th—Gospel Meeting—Pennsboro church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Tim Hatfield**

September 15th—20th—Gospel Meeting—Pursley church of Christ, Sistersville, WV—Guest speaker: **Sam Bartrug**

September 20th-21st—39th Annual Men's Retreat—Lakeville, Ohio

September 21st-22nd—Singing with the Spirit—Thirty Sixth Street church of Christ

September 22nd—Friends & Family Day—North End church of Christ

September 22nd—26th—Fall Gospel Meeting—Main Street church of Christ, Caldwell, Ohio—Guest Speaker: **Colin Morrison**

September 27th—28th—Adjusting to Aging Senior Seminar—Grand Central church of Christ

September 28th 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. — Men's Day—Lubeck church of Christ—Guest speakers: **Ed Melott & Rodney Nulph**

September 29th—October 3rd—Fall Gospel Meeting—Bridgeport church of Christ, Bridgeport, WV—Various Guest speakers

October 7th—11th—Gospel Meeting—Henderson church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Ed Melott**

October 20th-24th—WVSOP 30th Annual Lectureship

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THURSDAY LADIES CLASS

Thursday Ladies Class will begin October 3rd at 10:00 a.m. in the multipurpose room. All ladies are welcome to join this class. **Bill Deem** will be teaching the class on "*Women in the Bible*."