

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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November 17 - **Abby Willman, Andy Willman**
 November 18 - **Misty Smith**
 November 19 - **Rhonda Feisley**
 November 20 - **Michael Morgan**
 November 21 - **John Dollison, Dylan Kirkbride**



November 21 - **David & Joy Bowen, Bill & Traci Parks**

Church of Christ

November 17, 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

Has someone ever said to you, "God helps those who help themselves?" Perhaps you've even said it yourself. Have you ever looked for this phrase in the Bible? Where does it come from if not in the Bible? And, if it's not found in Scripture, is it a biblical idea—what does it even mean?

First, where does this exact wording come from? Outside of anything biblical, we can trace the idea back to ancient Greek philosophers such as Sophocles and Euripides. The wording we're accustomed to is usually credited to Benjamin Franklin in Poor Richard's Almanack from 1757. However, it actually came from an article entitled Discourses Concerning Government by Algernon Sydney in 1698.

Second, what do we mean when we say it, and is it true? Is it always true? Obviously, there are times when one is helpless. God promises deliverance to His children in such cases. It may not be the deliverance we expect or hope for. Consider Isaiah 25:4, which says, "**For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in his distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat; for the breath of the ruthless is like a storm against a wall...**" Romans 5:6 also says, "**For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for us.**"

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SCHEDULE November 24, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lloyd Westbrook

SONG LEADER

AM: T.J. Wells
PM: John Forshey

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Harry Ogletree
PM: Greg Cline

PRAYER

AM: Nathan Deem
 Randy Feisley
PM: Alan Ralston
 Albert Baltzer

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Bill McFarland
PM: Owen Morgan

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: Jon Lane

Wednesday—November 27, 2024

SONG LEADER: Michael Morgan

PRAYER: Tom Eddy/Joe Crone

Devo: George Goddard

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Lloyd Westbrook

STATISTICS—November 10, 2024

Sunday Bible Class	81
Morning Worship	150
Evening Worship	96
Wednesday Classes	62
Contribution	\$3,631

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

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving!

Minister: **Bill Deem**

Reading: Psalm 100:1-5

PM: Life in the Son

Minister: **Bill Deem**

Reading: I John 5:11-12

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

Memorial: **Junior Nolan**

Elaine Wallace was in the hospital and is now at Belpre Landing. Please keep **Elaine, Wilford**, & the boys in your prayers.

Judy Jones is recovering at home from a fall.

Cora Marshall is recovering at home from recent surgery.

Janet Thompson (Karen's mother) is at Belpre Landing Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 1915 Hill Street, Belpre, OH 45714

Please keep **Lisa Westbrook Smith** in your prayers. She had an MRI Friday.

The **McNutt** family is dealing with COVID.

SHUTINS

Bob Patterson, Jr. - Muskingum Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation, 501 Pinecrest Drive, Beverly, OH 45715

Lefty Cline - Home

Ann Thomas - Home

PRAYER LIST

Mary Lauck

Jeff Lee (Penny & Kelly VanWey's cousin)

Cathy Lenham (friend of **Elsie Bowens**)

Added to prayer list: **Mark Casto, Gene & Susan Strauss**

VOLUNTEERS

We would like to thank all those volunteers that help with the bulletin boards and flowers to help brighten up the foyer and auditorium. If you haven't checked out all the bulletin boards lately, please make a special effort to do so. There are so many individuals that volunteer their time to help keep our services and building running. If you would like to find a way to get more involved and use your talents, please let the office know or one of the elders or deacons. We always have a need for door greeters, opening/closing the building, preparing communion, providing transportation to services, keeping visitor cards and sharpened pencils in the pews, teachers and teachers helpers, preparing food for funeral meals/those that have had recent surgeries/new babies, serving funeral meals, helping with fellowship meals, helping with wedding and baby showers, and men to serve publicly in the worship service. Many hands make light work.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer for volunteers to open & close the building, bake communion bread, prepare communion, and for door greeters for 2025. Volunteers are still needed to be Sunday Greeters for 2024 (the sign up sheets look like calendars on the bulletin board in the foyer). If you have any questions, please see one of the deacons.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOS 2025

Men of the congregation, please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer for Wednesday Night Devos for January-May 2025.

TEACHERS

Bible School material for Winter quarter is available in the library. Winter quarter begins Sunday, December 1st, and Wednesday, December 4th.

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Regarding our salvation, we must remember that although there are things we must do to accept it, we are ultimately in God's hands. We have all sinned (Romans 3:23), and if we remain in sin, we face condemnation (Romans 6:23). Furthermore, without God's aid, we can do nothing to fix it (Isaiah 64:6). Yet, despite our sinfulness, it is God's will to redeem us (2 Corinthians 5:21). God provided help because He loves us, and we could not provide it ourselves. But of course, we must be obedient to God's will through Christ to be saved (James 4:8).

Finally, we must not think that asking God for help means our part is done. If I ask for your help but do nothing, then I have not helped; you have done it all. If someone needs a job, it's good to pray about it. It's also essential to fill out applications and send out resumes. Employers are unlikely to know you're looking for work without letting them know (though that does occasionally happen through word of mouth).

Therefore, although we may not read it explicitly in the Bible, and it may not be true in every circumstance, it is often true. Otherwise, God would be making His Kingdom one of lazy citizens, but He desires a population of faithful workers.

--Bill

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

There will be no classes Wednesday, November 27th. We will have a song service.

Beginning winter quarter, December 4th, all age groups will go straight into class at 7:00 p.m. The first bell will be 7:35 p.m., second bell 7:40 p.m. Everyone will return to the auditorium for devo, invitation song, announcements, and closing prayer.

MCS COATS

Thanks to all who donated coats or made a monetary donation for coats for kids in Marietta City Schools. 156 coats were donated this year.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Kevin Offenberger** and **David Carrel**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 17th 10:00 a.m., lunch - noon, song service and evening worship 2:00 p.m. - Friends & Family Day - Lower Paw Paw church of Christ - Guest Speaker: **Roger Rush**

December 7th 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - church of Christ Roller Skating - Lind Arena, Zanesville, Ohio

January 24, 2025 - January 25th, 2025 - Ohio Winter Lectures - Fishinger church of Christ - "Navigating Today's Crossroads: Culture, Faith, and Society in Harmony"

*Flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Please join us for a fellowship meal today following the morning worship service to officially welcome **The Deem Family** to our congregation.

90TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

The congregation is invited to celebrate **Junior Nolan's** 90th Birthday at the O'Neill Senior Center on Saturday, November 23rd, from noon until 3:30 p.m.

DEACON ASSIGNMENTS

Benevolence—**Paul Jacoby/Alan Ralston**

Building & Grounds—**T.J. Wells**

Education—**Michael Morgan**

Fellowship & Youth Activities—**Paul Jacoby**

Finance—**Alan Ralston**

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

Visitors—**Alan Ralston/All Deacons**

Worship—**Michael Morgan**