

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.



November 27 - Braeden Morgan
November 28 - John Ellis



There are no anniversaries on the calendar for this week.

Church of Christ

November 24, 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

“When upon life’s billows you are tempest tossed, when you are discouraged thinking all is lost, count you many blessings name them one by one and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done...”

“Are you ever burdened with a load of care? Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear? Count your many blessings every doubt will fly and you will be singing as the days go by.”

“So amid the conflict, whether great of small, Do not be discouraged, God is over all; Count your many blessings, angels will attend, help and comfort give you to your journey’s end.”

The words above are taken from a hymn written in 1897 by Johnson Oatman. It is one that we likely know very well. Each verse starts off with a difficult position – *“tossed upon the billows...burdened with a load of care...amid the conflict.”* Then, however, it encourages us to do something that we may often neglect – to count our blessings! While it is true that you will not find this phrasing

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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 17, 2024

Sunday Bible Class	81
Morning Worship	162
Evening Worship	65
Wednesday Classes	62
Contribution	\$2,402

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: God’s Will for You
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: I Thessalonians 5:16-18

PM: The Importance of Knowing
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: I John 5:13-15

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

Junior Nolan was in the hospital and is now at home.
Elaine Wallace and **Janet Thompson** (**Karen’s** mother) are at Belpre Landing Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 1915 Hill Street, Belpre, OH 45714

PRAYER LIST

Thomas Mahefkey (**Darlene Ogletree’s** nephew)
Sarah Mayer’s 4-year-old son has leukemia (friend of **Jim & Judy Zetterberg**)
Dawn Michael (friend of **Dorothy Wilkinson**)

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Donna Moseley and The Mullen Family** and **Cora Marshall**.

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.



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

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in the Bible, we will find that there are many passages that encourage us to consider or even to meditate on the good things, the blessings of this life.

As Paul was writing his epistle to the Philippians, we understand that he had been imprisoned for his faith in Jesus. He says in Philippians 1.13, *“so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.”* Despite his incarceration Paul was full of joy! That happiness that he had came from his recognition of the blessings that were his in the Lord. In Philippians 4.8 he tells them, *“Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.”* In other words, consider your blessings. Recognizing our blessings amid turmoil converts sorrow to joy and turns our frown upside down! In fact, the letter to the Philippians has been called the “epistle of joy.” Indeed, Paul mentions “joy” or rejoicing in several verses in that small correspondence (1.4, 1.18, 1.25, 2.2, 2.17-18, 2.28-29, 3.1, 4.1, 4.4, and 4.10).

God does not expect us to ignore the difficulties and tragedies in our lives – but He does not want us to dwell on them. Even in those situations we can rejoice knowing, *“Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words,”* (Romans 8.26), *“and we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.”* In Christ, even in times of sorrow and tragedy we are able to rejoice, for our God sees our tears, He hears our groanings, and He comes near to those whose hearts are broken and rescues those whose spirits are crushed (Psalm 34.18).

--Bill



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

There will be no classes this 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.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

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**