

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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- February 16 - **Herma Eddy**
- February 19 - **Machell Hague**
- February 20 - **Becky McFarland, Owen Morgan**
- February 21 - **Bill McFarland**
- February 22 - **Cora Marshall**



There are no anniversaries on the calendar this week.

Church of Christ

February 16, 2025

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MINISTER

Bill Deem

ELDERS

Tom Eddy Kurt Harrison
Todd Hague Lloyd Westbrook

DEACONS

Michael Morgan Alan Ralston
Paul Jacoby TJ Wells

Bill's Bytes

In the Bible, certain themes of significance through its pages, reveal the nature of God in vivid detail. One such theme is encapsulated in the powerful declaration of God's personal Name which is translated as "I Am" in English. This Name is first seen in Exodus 3:14, but that is certainly not the only place that we see it, and learn of its implications. John 8:58, These passages collectively unveil the eternal, unchanging nature of God, providing us with a deeper understanding of His identity and relationship with His people.

In Exodus 3:14, God reveals Himself to Moses using the name "I AM WHO I AM." This encounter occurs as Moses stands before the burning bush, a symbol of God's presence and holiness. God tells Moses, "This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'" The name "I AM" (YHWH) signifies God's self-existence and eternal nature. Unlike created beings, God is not dependent on anything or anyone for His existence. He is the ultimate reality, the source of all life, and the unchanging One who is, who was, and who is to come.

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SCHEDULE February 23, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Eddy

SONG LEADER

AM: T.J. Wells

PM: Jim Zetterberg

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: George Goddard

PM: Paul Jacoby

PRAYER

AM: Nathan Deem

Randy Feisley

PM: Alan Ralston

Albert Baltzer

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Adam Burkhart

PM: Owen Morgan

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.: Jon Lane

Wednesday—February 26, 2025

OPENING PRAYER: Bill Deem

SONG LEADER: T.J. Wells

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Tom Eddy

DEVO: Todd Hague

CLOSING PRAYER: Joe Crone

STATISTICS - February 9, 2025

Sunday Bible Class 75

Morning Worship 156

Evening Worship 77

Wednesday Classes 41

Contribution \$3,126

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

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

PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK—Powdered Milk

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Omnipresence of God
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: Psalm 139:7-12

PM: Repentance & Revival
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: Jonah 3:4-10



SICK

David Schafer was in the hospital and is now at home.

Joyce Ross is at Elison, C15, 150 Browns Rd., Marietta, OH 45750.

PRAYER LIST

Fairley Bowens (Elsie's husband)

Shawn Carshall (friend of **Karen Thompson**)

Jessie Dailey

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Elsie Bowens** and **John, Kaitlyn, & Oliver Forshey**.

PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK

Powdered Milk

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Annual Business Meeting is today at 4:00 p.m. Elders and deacons will meet at 3:30 p.m.



UPCOMING EVENTS

CONGREGATION

March 15th-16th - New Matamoras church of Christ Centennial Celebration Weekend

April 6th - 9th - Gospel Meeting - Rio Grande church of Christ - Guest speaker: **Allen Webster**

MEN

March 1st 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - 46th Men's Inspiration Day - Norval Park church of Christ - Guest Speaker: **Matt Miller**

LADIES

April 12th 9:30 a.m. - Noon - Rio Grande church of Christ - Guest Speakers: **Teresa Cleveland & Gina Sexton**

YOUTH

2025 Mid-Ohio Valley Monday Night Merge - Importance of Worship - February 3, 2025 - March 10th, 2025

March 7th-8th - North End Youth Rally - "Love Is Louder" - Guest Speaker: **Philip Jenkins**

April 5th - Bible Bowl 2025 - Alkire Road church of Christ

April 25th-26th - 3rd Annual Midwest Youth Rally - Hosted by Churches of Christ in Central Ohio - Theme: God Is Alive

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

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Moving to the New Testament, Jesus makes the statement in John 8:58, "Before Abraham was born, I am!" Here, the Lord identifies Himself with the eternal "I AM" of Exodus 3:14. By claiming that He existed before Abraham, Jesus claims divinity and continuity with God. This statement emphasizes that Jesus is not just a prophet or teacher but God in human flesh, who has existed from eternity past (John 1.1). His words affirm His divine nature and underscore the truth that Jesus is the same God who revealed Himself to Moses as the "self-existent" One.

In Revelation 1:8, we encounter another powerful statement of Christ's eternal nature: "I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty." Here, God declares Himself as the beginning and the end, encompassing all of time and existence. The title "Alpha and Omega" (the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet) symbolizes God's complete and sovereign control over history and eternity. This declaration in Revelation assures believers of God's eternal presence and unchanging nature, providing hope and stability in a world of constant change.

The common thread of God's identity in these passages presents a deep truth: God is self-existent, eternal, and unchanging. In Exodus 3:14, God establishes His identity as the sovereign, self-existent One. In John 8:58, Jesus reveals that He shares this divine identity, affirming His eternal existence and divine nature. Finally, in Revelation 1:8, God reassures us of His eternal sovereignty over all creation.

These truths offer comfort and encouragement to the child of God. We worship a God who is not bound by time or circumstance, a God who has always been and always will be. As we navigate the storms of life, we can rest in the assurance that the same God who guided Moses, who walked among us as Jesus, and who reigns supreme in eternity is with us now.

The knowledge that our God is the self-existent One can deepen and strengthen our trust in Him. He is the anchor in a

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tumultuous world, our ever-present help in troubled times, and the eternal source of and hope.

--Bill

THINKING OF YOU CARD EXCHANGE

Please remember to check the card exchange in the foyer, especially if it is near your birthday or anniversary. Please note the card exchange is to help with the cost of postage. Please continue to mail cards to those who are shut-in and in care facilities.

SECRET SISTER REVEAL

Please mark your calendars for the Secret Sister Reveal March 8th. More details will be available as we get closer to the date.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - TEACHERS/HELPERS

An updated draft schedule for Spring and Summer 2025 teachers/helpers is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. We are in need of a teacher for the Young Children for Sunday mornings March - May 2025, and a teacher and helper for the Elementary for Wednesday March - May 2025.

If you would like to be a teacher/helper or need to update your preferences, please complete a Teacher Preference Form (2025) and turn them into the office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please check the bulletin board in the foyer for various sign up sheets.

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. Several nights are still available.