

SUNDAY AM	January 8 , 2023	January 15, 2023
ANNOUNCE	Mark Vaughan	Mark Vaughan
SONGLEADER	Mike Carpenter	Larry Shears
READING	John Stephens	Tyler Vaughan
PRAYER	Dwain Shears	Roy Clark
COMMUNION	Ed O'Dell	Dwain Shears
USHER	Roy Clark	Adam Carpenter
Sound Room	Danny Carpenter Sr.	Danny Carpenter Sr.
SUNDAY PM		
SONGLEADER	Roy Clark	Josiah Clark
READING	Josiah Clark	Noah Carpenter
PRAYER	Noah Carpenter	Ed O'Dell
COMMUNION	Mike Carpenter	Ed O'Dell
Wednesday	January 11, 2023	January 18, 2023
Invitation	Ed O'Dell	Mike Carpenter
Song Leader	Mike Carpenter	Tyler Vaughan

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How to be Saved

Hear: Romans 10:14
Believe: Hebrews 11:6
Repent: Acts 17:30
Confess Jesus as Savior: Acts 8:36-37
Be Baptized: Acts 2:38

Sunday January 1, 2023

Bible Study	26
Morning Worship	45
Evening Worship	17
Offering	\$1980.00
Wednesday	19
Attendance Goal	80
2023 Baptisms	0
2023 Restorations	0

Meeting Times:

Sunday Bible Class	9:30AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30AM
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00PM
Wednesday Bible Class	7:00PM





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Welcome to Our Worship

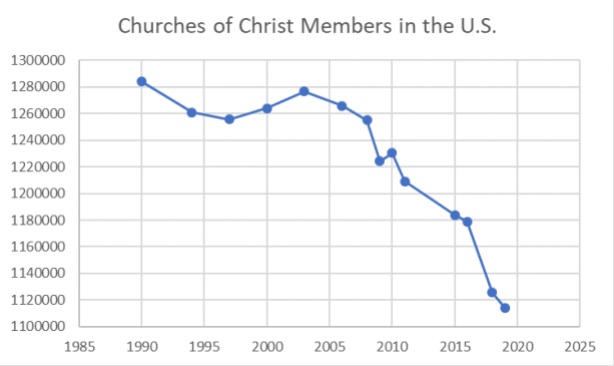
Sunday Morning Message: **We Do Not Lose Heart**

Sunday Evening Message: **A New Generation's Unfaithfulness**

God's Church at Its Best

In the past the church has had many growth spurts. In the years from 1950-1970 the church of Christ was the fast-est growing religion in the United States. But over the last number of years, we have been on a sharp decline.

Churches of Christ Members in the U.S.



Year	Members
1990	1,280,000
1995	1,260,000
2000	1,270,000
2005	1,280,000
2010	1,220,000
2015	1,180,000
2020	1,110,000

Stafford North a preacher for many years was baptized in 1941. He preached when the church had the best growth it has seen in many years. Stafford North had many ideas to make the church grow. One of his best ideas was for the “church to be its best.” Stafford North was very successful when he preached at doing his best to make the church its best. He wrote a book to share some of his philosophies of church Growth.

The following are the chapter titles of his book: (1) How the church’s mission can be its best. (2) How the Elders can be their best. (3) How the Deacons and Ministry Directors can be their best. (4) How the Preacher’s Work can be its best. (5) How the Bible school program can be its best. (6) How the Missions program can be its best. (7) How the Local Out-reach Program can be its best. (8) How the Benevolence Program can be its best. (9) How the Youth Ministry can be its best. (10) How the Women’s Ministry can be its best. (11) How the Men’s Ministry can be its best. (12) How the Ministry for Young Adults can be its best. (13) How the Ministry for Older Members can be its best. (14) How the buildings and grounds Ministry can be their best. (15) How the Worship Ministry can be its best. (16) How a church’s Website can be its Best. (17) How the Fellowship at church can be its best.

It seems like a lot of work for the church to be their best. It will take everybody working together so that the church can be its best. Please help us in 2023 to be the best we can be for the glory of God.

Elvis Galbreath



Tuesday, January 10: Digging Deep On-Line Podcast 8pm

Friday, January 20: Game Night 6:00pm fellowship room—please bring food to share

Sunday, January 29: Traveling Youth Group @ Dewey Ave church of Christ St. Mary’s 5:00pm—their will be a fellowship meal after service

Tuesday, January 31: Digging Deep On-line Podcast 8:00pm

Sunday, February 5: Evening Song Service



- † Kathy Simmons had a stroke Monday morning. She had a long surgery at Ruby to get the blood clots out. She is still in the ICU but off of life support.
- † Robert O’Dell is not doing well. He is having fluid buildup.
- † Kathy Flinn’s mother, Doris Bell, is now in hospice care. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- † Patty Vaughan has congestive heart failure. She is a great deal better but is still in need of prayers. She will have a heart cath soon.
- † Evelyn Duckworth is home and still on oxygen. She is still waiting to go to Morgantown Ruby Hospital to have surgery. Please pray that it goes well!
- † Bob and Amelia Bennet, a customer of Joyce Parson’s still needs your prayers. Bob is having some troubles after surgery.
- † Anne’s coworker’s granddaughter has been sent home from the hospital to recuperate. Thank you for your prayers.
- † Preston Lawhon’s open heart surgery has been postponed until the 16th as he tested positive for Covid. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. He is 15 years old and a member of the church in St. Mary’s.
- † Karen Metz is having some testing on Thursday.

Take A Stand

2023 Mid-Ohio Valley Monday Night Merge

Feb 6, North End
Feb 13, Dewey Ave
Feb 20, Lower Paw Paw
Feb 27, Hopewell
March 6, Lubeck
March 13, Rockport

Family & Friends In Need of Prayer

Please provide an	update every 4 weeks	
Delores Bell	Davy Dye	Helen McIntyre
Dan Carpenter Sr.	Diane Knox	Wes McIntyre
Robert Dotson	Janice Martin	Bill Spears
Megan Dougherty		Martha Whited

Birthdays
Anita Richards 1/13
Anniversaries
None



Interactive Bible Reading Plan
This daily Bible reading plan is enhanced with teaching videos.
Schedules are on the

back table

Events coming in 2023

Ohio Winter Lectures January 27-29
Fishinger church of Christ, Columbus

Teen Ohio Winter Lectures January 27-28
Fishinger church of Christ, Columbus

FHU Lectureship February 5-9
Restoring God’s People
In Ezra, Nehemiah & Ester

Lubeck Youth Rally March 25
With Joe Wells

Sunrise Youth Rally April 14th & 15th
With Jack Gilchrist

Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies’ Day
Lubeck church with Marsha Robinson

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We Do Not Lose Heart

Paul’s message of a _____ was veiled only to those who had been _____ by the devil. Paul was a _____ as Jesus was a _____.

1. Do Not Lose
2 Corinthians 4:1
2 Corinthians 3:8
Romans 5:20
Romans 7:5

2 Corinthians 3:18
Acts 9:3-4
Galatians 1:15-16
God had _____ him in a _____ endeavor—how could he _____ heart

II. No Disgrace or
2 Corinthians
Luke 14:7-11

“ _____ ” in the Greek-speaking world where Paul lived had little to do with an _____ sense of self-loathing. It was a _____ word; it meant to endure _____ disgrace.
Romans 14:21
2 Corinthians 2:6-7
Romans 1:16-17
Matthew 1:21

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

III. Seeing the Image of _____
2 Corinthians 4:3-4
2 Corinthians 3:14
2 Corinthians 2:11
2 Corinthians 6:15

To assert that _____ is the image of _____ does not imply that He is a _____ deity.
Colossians 1:15-17
John 8:58

A New Generation's Unfaithfulness

The Israelites _____ against the Lord by worshiping _____ gods

1. They abandoned the _____
Judges 2:11-12
The first stage in the _____ cycle is “ _____ ”
Judges 2:19
Judges 3:7

Numbers 32:13
Deuteronomy 9:18
Deuteronomy 4:25
Deuteronomy 17:2
John 4:24

Hebrews 4:13
Deuteronomy 29:25
Exodus 20:2
Hebrews 10:24-25

II. They _____ others
Judges 2:13
“Baal”—

Leviticus 26:3-5
Deuteronomy 7:12-16
Deuteronomy 12:2
1 Kings 14:22-23
Psalms 29:3-9

III. The _____ of the Lord
Judges 2:14-15
Psalms 79:5

Deuteronomy 6:13-15
Jeremiah 2:9-13
God’s anger must be _____ in the light of His incredible _____ and _____.
Joshua 21:44