



THE CHRISTIAN CALLER

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"To know Christ and make Him known"

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Sunday Schedule

8:30 am
Partners in Prayer

9 am
All Ages
Sunday School

OFFICE HOURS

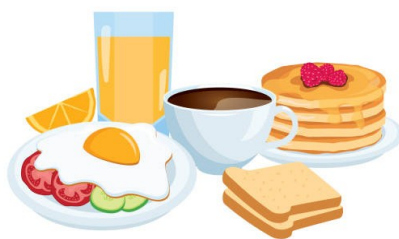
Monday thru Friday
8:30 am until 12:30 pm

PASTOR'S HOURS

Monday thru Friday
8:30 am until Noon
afternoons by
appointment



**Thank you to everyone who
supported our youth car wash
fundraiser! They earned \$1,165
thanks to your generosity!**



Join us for

RALLY DAY BREAKFAST

SEPTEMBER 21ST AT 9 AM

{sign-up sheet is posted}

FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS we will be introducing our youth leaders and giving brief bios about them. This week our featured youth advisor is Becky Smith who is starting her 7th year as a Chi Rho advisor. Becky enjoys growing in faith with the Chi Rho youth. She lives in Wauseon with her hubby Rod (also a youth advisor!) and 3 kids. Her favorite thing to do is spend time with her family, friends, and her dog Tucker. Her favorite snack is gummy bears. Her favorite holiday is Christmas. She is super pumped for the upcoming year in Chi Rho and all the fun activities we can create during worship!



In the Life of our Congregation

PRAISES: The beautiful weather and the great turn out for the youth car wash! Congratulations to all of our fair exhibitors—just getting there is a true accomplishment!

CONCERNS: Jerry Kingsbury, cancer treatments. The underground church in Iran. Barb Coutts. Love and compassion for our church. Joy Lammon. Sharry Boyers. Gene Sugg. Resa Frey. Evelyn Engel. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Cleveland Reese. Pray for the remaining hostages taken from Israel. Pray for all innocent people caught in the middle of wars. That God continues to bless America with freedoms and religious liberties. Pray for our troops. Persecuted Christians being hunted and killed in Africa. Bernie Bronsink recovering from fall. Peace and unity for our America. The victims of human trafficking and the courageous people who free those they can find. Larry and Peg Burt. Jim Smith. Elaine Sugg. Pray for Christians in Syria. Ken Bell. Ben—Sharon Krumm's son-in-law, and her daughter Heather—recovering from major heart surgery. Marian Wilhelm in rehab following knee surgery—was in and out of Flower Hospital for infection.

AYDEN: Paul and Susan Rosenbeck; Lee Zimmerman
BROWNING MASONIC ASSISTED LIVING: Resa Frey
ELIZABETH SCOTT COMM: Vivienne Boyers; Sally Lutz
FAIRLAWN HAVEN: Heath Smith
FOUNTAIN PARK: LaDonna Smith
KINGSBURY PLACE: Diann Roth
OTTERBEIN SENIOR LIFE: Marian Wilhelm

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVERS

Elder	Judy Rossman and Fran Lammon
Worship Leader	Judy Rossman
Diaconate	Wendy Kingsbury, captain Kelly Baumgartner, Jerry Kingsbury
Communion Prep	Kelly Baumgartner
Video	Joyce & Doug Oyer
Audio	Bob Krumm

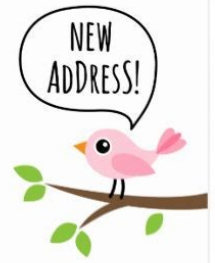
HELP US ENCOURAGE RESA

Cards can be mailed to
 Resa Frey
 8883 Browning Drive 51
 Room 408

Waterville, OH 43566

Calls are always welcome! 419.878.1724

Remember to update your directory.



Thank you (FCC congregation) for the generous gift of \$2,000 to the *If Not Now When—If Not You, Who?* Ohio Regional Fundraising campaign. Your support is a genuine blessing to this transformational effort, and we are so grateful for it.



Blessings to you,
 Jim Bane, Campaign Director

FCC'S FINANCIAL STATISTICS

budgeted income needed for 2025	\$236,872.00
monthly income needed	\$19,739.34
weekly income needed	\$4,555.24
offering for 09.07.2025	\$3,951.00
August's operating expenses	\$31,935.83
August's operating income includes a transfer of \$37,400 from the Memorial Fund to the General Operating Funds	\$49,285.18
Gain of	\$17,349.25
Disciple Mission Fund	\$601.00
CWF – Neighbors Helping Neighbors	\$203.16
Local Outreach – Neighbors Helping Neighbors	\$203.16
Mission Group – Neighbors Helping Neighbors	\$203.16
Reconciliation	\$25.00

Outreach Giving:

YTD Budget Used: 67.92% (1.26% over budget)

CHURCH CALENDAR

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

6:00 pm Ministries meet

7:00 pm Board meets

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10:30 am to 2 pm LifeWise in education wing

6:00 pm supper

6:30 pm Chapel Pray'ers

Youth groups meet

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:30 am to 1 pm LifeWise in education wing

6:30 pm CWF meeting in the fellowship hall

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

10:30 am to 2 pm LifeWise in education wing

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:30 am chapel pray'ers

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship

LOOKING AHEAD...

September 20— Jerry Rupp memorial service

September 21— Rally Day breakfast

September 25—October 7 special office hours 9 am to Noon

September 27—Men's fellowship breakfast

September 28—Mission Group meeting

October 8 thru 10 Thrift Sale



Dear First Christian, thank you so much for allowing us to use your fellowship hall for our rummage sale to be able to give the proceeds to the Fulton County Humane Society. This was such a blessing for us and could not have done this without your help.

~Linda Malchow
Santee Griffith
Betsy Bachman

According to a [Barna](#) study, 75 percent of U.S. adults read the Bible once a week or less. God directs us in II Timothy 2:15 to study His word so we know what it says and what it means. This week's Bible verses are:

Exodus 37:1-38:31

Matthew 28:1-20

Psalm 34:11-22

Proverbs 9:9-10

Wednesday

**YOUTH
MINISTRIES**

New sign-up
sheet is
posted if you
can sponsor a
meal!

pizza night

- 6 pm supper for our church family

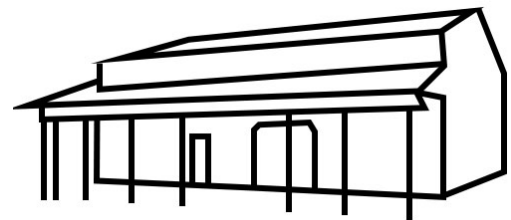
- 6:30 pm Youth Groups

CCF

Grades 1, 2, 3, and 4

Chi Rho
Middle School

CYF
High school



NEEDED! LARGE STORAGE AREA

Being sought is a storage building that could be used for free (or even rented out for a significant discount) to house furniture items. This building does not need any utilities or heat, but due to the fact that it will be filled with couches, etc. it does need to be sealed well enough so that mice are not a significant issue. Some of you may be aware of the warehouse over in Archbold where people can donate furniture and appliance items and people from around the county often go to pick up free couches, tables, dressers, washer/dryers, etc. It has been run for many years by Jerry (Cecily) Rohrs and for several years the storage area was provided by Sauder's of Archbold; however, they are no longer going to be able to provide warehouse space for this ministry and a new location is needed for the ministry to continue. If you have—or know of someone who has—the ability to help, please call Sherrill Woodard at 419.335.3686 or e-mail at swoodard@crossroadswauseon.org.



PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

*I thank my God for every remembrance of you,
always in every one of my prayers for all of you,
praying with joy for your partnership in the gospel
from the first day until now. I am confident of this,
that the one who began a good work in you will
continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.
It is right for me to think this way about all of you,
because I hold you in my heart.*

PHILIPPIANS 1:3-7 (NRSV)

At the Fair and at the Car Wash, celebrating my birthday and worshipping God together, the last week has been full of reminders of being loved and getting to love in return.

In times of joy, and of pain, and all the moments in

between, it is God's love that is always present, always nurturing us to grow stronger and deeper, always telling us that the joy of the Lord is our strength.

Our church is thriving--the life, love, and the depth of faith that is shared every day points to that reality.

A challenge for you, dear reader--where are the places, and what are the moments, that you

encounter God's love? Who are the people with whom you share that love? How is God's love working through you making the world a better place?

I thank God for our shared ministry together!

In Christ, Pastor Michael

