



## West Court Contact March 2026

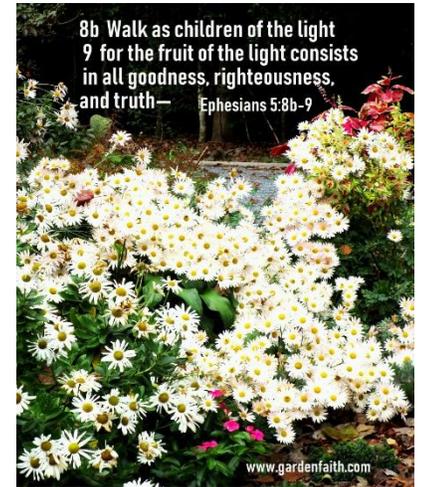
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### WALK AS CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT

#### Hello Church!

I'm so impressed by the people of West Court. Not only do you give generously to our finances, but you give so much to the people that walk through our doors. We are seeing the joy of helping others lived out in the people of God.

**Ephesians 5:8-13** tells us, "We were sometimes in darkness, but we are light in the Lord: walk as children of the light; (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness but rather reprove them. For it is a shame to even speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light; for whatsoever doth make manifest is light."



Listen, you were darkness - now you are light. God commands us to walk as children of the light because it's possible for us to go back to darkness. **It's possible.** I've seen it many times before. Don't do it. Reprove or rebuke the darkness. Expose the darkness.

We need to continue to walk in the light. To serve the community, to take care of the poor, to feed the hungry, to give fellowship to the broken, to lift up the oppressed, to demonstrate God's love to everyone we meet, and we will continue to see the blessings that it brings. God is faithful and we will see His faithfulness as we live our lives for Him. The blessings we experience when we let the Holy Spirit direct our lives is undeniable. It will not always be smooth sailing, but we will have Him to walk along side of us.

#### **In 1 Peter 4:14-16, it says:**

<sup>14</sup>Count it a blessing when you suffer for being a Christian. This shows that God's glorious Spirit is with you. <sup>15</sup>But you deserve to suffer if you are a murderer, a thief, a crook, or a busybody. <sup>16</sup>Don't be ashamed to suffer for being a Christian. Praise God that you belong to Him.

You are such a blessing to us pastors!

Love in Christ

Pastor Brad



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>9:15am Fresh Start Class</b> 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Gathering 6:00pm The Ark	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class	<b>4</b> 12:30pm Women's Bible Study @ McLaren 5:00pm Worship Team <b>6:00pm Virtual Bible Study</b>	<b>5</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class	<b>6</b> <b>2:00pm Church of God Pastors Meeting</b>	<b>7</b> <b>9:00am - 4:00pm Kit Together Craft Retreat with Alycia</b>
<b>8</b> <b>9:15am Fresh Start Class</b> 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Gathering 10:30am Youth Worship <b>11:30am CHURCH MEETING &amp; VOTE</b> 6:00pm The Ark	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class	<b>11</b> 12:30pm Women's Bible Study @ McLaren 5:00pm Worship Team <b>6:00pm Virtual Bible Study</b>	<b>12</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 9:00am Men's Breakfast at Liberty Diner
<b>15</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> <b>9:15am Fresh Start Class</b> 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Gathering 10:30am Youth Message 11:30am Youth Ministry Meeting 6:00pm The Ark	<b>16</b> 6:30pm Leadership Team Meeting	<b>17</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class	<b>18</b> 12:30pm Women's Bible Study @ McLaren 5:00pm Worship Team <b>6:00pm Virtual Bible Study</b>	<b>19</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. <b>4:30pm MBK Meal Prep</b> 5:00pm Yoga Class	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
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<b>29</b> 9:15am Sunday School <b>10:30am PALM SUNDAY &amp; BAPTISM SERVICE</b> <b>6:00pm Rambling Rovers Comedy Night</b> 6:00pm The Ark	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class 📍 5:30pm RR Practice	<b>1</b> 12:30pm Women's Bible Study @ McLaren 5:00pm Worship Team <b>6:00pm Virtual Bible Study</b>	<b>2</b> 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class <b>6:00pm Maundy Thursday Communion &amp; Foot Washing</b>	<b>3</b> <b>5:00pm Good Friday Unity Service</b>	<b>4</b>



- 9 Larry Smith
- 10 Roger Povolny
- 21 Reginald Beecher
- 23 Madelyn Braden
- 27 Denise Richardson
- 29 Ed Smith



Join Alycia Dolan for a fun Kit Together Craft Retreat at West Court on **Saturday, March 7 and April 18 from 9am-3pm**. For only \$10 you'll have space to craft for the day, basic drink options (such as coffee, tea, & water) and snacks! Bring any project you want to work on.

Project kits, adhesives, and more will be available for purchase during the day. Contact me with any questions! When you arrive, park in the lot on the corner of Beecher and Court. Ring the buzzer at door 7 or text me when you arrive.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28**  
**11:00am - 1:00PM**



## Dream It – See It

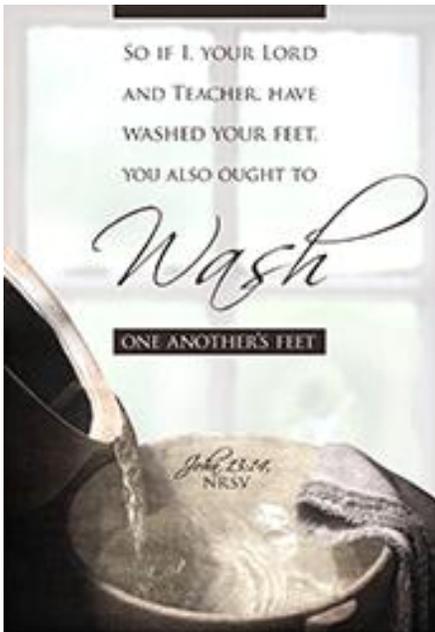
\*\*\*More information on the Capital Funds Campaign that was begun in December 2024!\*\*\*

**BELLS ARE RINGING !!!!** I continue to be excited when I see the number at the end of each month. Please check the thermometer posted in the hallway to show our progress. **I love being able to tell of our progress! God is faithful and the fund is growing!**

If you have any questions, please see one of the Leadership Team. Keep your eyes open as we see God at work! As of January 31, 2026, **\$42,011.00** has been given! **Praise God!** Continue to pray for this endeavor as we keep up with the maintenance of God's building.

When you contribute to this Campaign please indicate on your envelope or your check that it is for the Capital Funds Campaign and know that we will not start any project without having sufficient funds for the completion of that project. Your gifts are greatly appreciated; any size donation is so helpful, it adds up when we work together.

Your Sister in Christ,  
Chris



I want to personally invite you to join me as we celebrate **Maundy Thursday on April 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. for a Foot Washing and Communion Service.** In John 13:14,15 it is recorded "If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I gave you an example that you also should do as I did to you". (NASB). In Luke 22:19 it is recorded "And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them saying, this is my body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of Me". (NASB)

This service of humility and servanthood leads us into our Good **Friday Unity Service which will be held this year at West Court Street Church of God on April 3 at 5:00 p.m.** Pastor April Crump from The Hub of Owosso will be speaking. Please join us as we celebrate God's great gift for us which will culminate with our **Community Easter Breakfast starting at 8:00 a.m. and Easter Celebration Service at 10:30 a.m. on April 5.**

# Holy Week Services

 <p><b>Palm Sunday</b> March 29 10:30AM</p>	 <p><b>Maundy Thursday</b> April 2 6:00PM</p>	 <p><b>Good Friday</b> April 3 5:00PM</p>	  <p><b>Easter Sunday/B'Fast 8AM</b> April 5 10:30AM</p>
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## PASTORS

West Court Street Church of God (as of 1942) formerly West Side Church of God. Few records are available for the early years of the congregation; the dates are approximate and are subject to the fallibility of human memory.



SAVE THE DATE

JULY 18TH & 19TH, 2026

Celebrating 100 years of ministry

2920 West Court Street  
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1927-1929	Esther Forrester
1929-1931	Louis D. Birdsall
1931-1933	C.S. Sisler
1934-1936	Harold Grabke
1936-1937	Charles J. Treffry
1937-1938	D.E. Nelson
1939-1948	Lawrence S. Shaw*
1943-1944	William V. Boze (IP)
1948-1963	Herbert W. Thompson
1954-1956	Paul W. Kirkpatrick (AP)
1958-1961	Gerald A. St. Cin (AP)
1960's	Violet Qualman (CD)
1961-1963	Tom Nitzcshe (YP)
1963-1969	Paul A. Jenkins
1963-1968	Sherrill D. Hayes (CP)
1970-1975	Huston Bever, Jr.
1972	Dave Randolph (CD)
1972-1975	Collett Varner (AP)
1975	Herbert W. Thompson (IP)
1974-1978	William L. Hargett (AP)
1976-1980	Walter Gatton
11/06/1977	Francis Jolliff (IP)
1979-1987	A.C. Phipps (MWM)
1980-1990	Randel Rohr
1981-1989	Georg Karl (YP) & Pastoral Care
1988-1995	Steve D. McDaniel (YP, AP)
1988	Dennis Freeman (CD)

1990	Hollis Pistole (IP)
1990-1991	Verle E. Fridley (IP)
1990-1997	Paul Yerden (AP)
1991-1995	Charles G. Wanner
1996	Francis (Sam) Jolliff (IP)
1996-2008	Tom Settlemyre
1998-2016	Paul Christiansen (MWM, IP)
1998-2016	Niki Christiansen (YP, IP)
2008-2009	Brian Hansen (IP)
2009-2014	Jerry Hickson
2011-2014	Michael Case (AP)
2016-current	Chris Walker (WL)
2017	Darryl Babcock (IP)
2017-2019	Rob Buttler
September 2019-current	Brad Walker (IP, CP)
2019-August 2020	Ellsworth Jackson (IP, CP)
October 2020-current	Bernard Drew (IP, CP)
??	Arlene Atkin (AP, CD)

- \*Pastor Shaw served as Red Cross Chaplain during the war
- (AP) – Assistant (Associate) Pastor
- (CD) – Choir Director
- (CP) – Co-Pastor
- (IP) – Interim Pastor
- (MWM) – Minister of Worship and Music
- (WL) – Worship Leader
- (YP) – Youth Pastor

## RAMBLING ROVERS MARCH EVENT

The first outing of the year will be held Sunday night, **March 29 at 6:00PM**. Laugh all night with comedian Bob Smiley at North End Baptist Church, 7360 Clio Road in Mt. Morris. Doors open at 5:30PM. Admission is free, however a love offering will be received. Snacks provided by North End Baptist Church.

Please sign up at the Connection Center. For more information, see Dave or Diane Henry.

Benefiting: NEBC

LAUGH ALL NIGHT

**COMEDY EVENT**

SUN  
MAR  
29  
6PM

COMEDIAN BOB SMILEY

North End Baptist Church  
7360 Clio Road  
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

HOSTED BY: TIM DETELLIS

BOB SMILEY

doors open 5:30pm

FREE ADMISSION

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