

# *Columbus Avenue Church of Christ*

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## ASSEMBLIES OF THE CHURCH

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study at other times by appointment

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### A Proclamation.

The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God.

In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union.

Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defense, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle or the ship; the axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore.

Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battle-field; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom.

No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy.

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**Welcome**

“Everyone on the side of truth listens to me,” said Christ (John 18:37). Welcome friends! As we worship the Lord, let us listen to the message of the Savior. Let us grow closer to him and to one another. Let us truly be the family of God.

Please take the time to fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering tray at the appropriate time.

Please remember to silence all pagers and cell phones during worship.

**To our members:** Please take the time to fill out an Event Card and place it in the offering tray. We would like a record of how often we, as a congregation, have reached out to our brethren each week. Thank you.

*-The Elders*

**Goals & Achievements**

**Attendance**

<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Sunday Bible Class	102
Sunday A.M. Worship	231
Sunday P.M. Worship	105
Wednesday Bible Class	109

**Gifts & Offerings**

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
\$3, 889.31	\$3296.00
	(-\$593.31)

**Sunday Morning Worship Schedule**

**Greeting the Assembly:** Ryan Cox

**Song Service led by:** Jay Allison

**202–** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

**97–** *I Sing Praises*

**Prayer:** Ryan Cox

**71–** *As The Deer*

**Contribution**

**478–** *Nearer, Still Nearer*

**The Lord’s Supper**

1st Prayer– Jim Harrison

2nd Prayer– B.R. Hathcoat

**264–** *O Come, Let Us Adore Him*

(Children 3 years—4th grade dismissed to classes)

**881–** *Mansions Over The Hilltop*

**Scripture Reading:** Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:1

Clint Huffman

**Congregation:** Psalms 118:24

*“This is the day the Lord has made;  
I will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

**Lesson:** Gary Meeker

**924–** *Just As I Am*

**Announcements:** Ryan Cox

**96–** *I Stand in Awe*

**Prayer:** Jim Morris

## **Sunday Morning Sermon: The Preacher's Advice To The Young**

Text: Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:1 (9) Be happy, young man, while you are young, and let your heart give you joy in the days of your youth. Follow the ways of your heart and whatever your eyes see, but know that for all these things God will bring you judgment. (10) So then, banish anxiety from your heart and cast off the troubles of your body, for youth and vigor are meaningless. (1) Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them"-

### **I. Rejoice In Your Youth**

- A. God wants you to enjoy life
  
- B. Do not lose sight of the judgment

### **II. Remove Sorrow And Evil From Your Youth**

- A. Remove sorrow from your heart
  
- B. Remove evil from your flesh

### **III. Remember God In Your Youth**

- A. Serving God is not just for the elderly
  
- B. Serving God will help you make right choices

### **IV. Reflect Upon What Is Coming**

- A. Difficult times are ahead
  
- B. The effects of age and time

## Sunday Evening Worship Schedule

SONG  
Miles Gooding

SCRIPTURE READING  
Caleb Hughes

INTRODUCTION  
Ryan Cox

SCRIPTURE READING  
Jared Hughes

SONG  
Miles Gooding

LORD'S SUPPER  
Nick Allison  
David Archer

SONG  
David Archer

SCRIPTURE READING  
Donovan Archer

SERMON  
Ryan Cox

INVITATION SONG  
Jim Harrison

ANNOUNCEMENTS  
Ryan Cox

SONG  
Nick Allison

PRAYER FOR OUR YOUTH  
Gary Meeker

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It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens.

And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility and Union.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-eighth.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln



**With Prayers and Thanksgiving:**

**James Hughes** is suffering from kidney stones.

**Carol Dugger** is feeling better than she has in weeks! She remains in Ball Memorial Hospital.

Please continue to pray for **Betty Meeker, Lois Montgomery** and **Mary Anne Watters** as well as all those mentioned below.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:** We have been blessed with another addition to the church family. **David Deck** was baptized last Thursday! Please say 'hello' and let David know how happy we are to have him as a Brother in Christ!

**FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WITH ON-GOING CONCERNS:**

Bill Beck, Bessie Coppock, Mattye Gum, Ron Johnson, John & Jerry Johnston, Dennis Keener, Laura Oliver, Don & Debbie Archer, Debbie Bair, Wayne & Wilda Bryan, Della Stalcup, Thelma Smith, Nina McIntyre, Harriet Hobbs, Jean & Jerry Weir, Jean Kendall, Luther Hodges, Lois Montgomery

**OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS:**

**Community Northview:** Margie Tompkins

**Keystone Woods:** Charlie Callendar

**Manor Care:** Selbert & Jewell Braden

**Summitville Convalescent Center:** Lola Conner

**Rawlins House, Pendleton:** Betty Wunder

**Community Parkview, Elwood:** Albert Burton

**Meadowbrook Rehab Center:** Hubert Oliver, Anna Norris, LaTheda Hathcoat

**Miller's Merry Manor, Chesterfield:** Mary Janes, Gladys Sanders, Wendell Parson

**Miller's Merry Manor, Middletown:** Gladys Boles, Bob & Betty Hathcoat

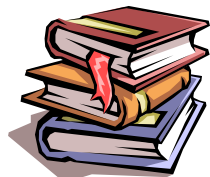
**OUR MISSION WORKERS:**

Jody & Evelyn Apple (Pennsylvania), Vito & Antonietta Ligorio (Italy), Ned Isonguyo (Nigeria)



**The Watering Hole**

*Gospel Minutes*  
"Peace with God"



**Dates to Remember...**



**Dec. 4-**Secret Sister Ornament Exchange

**Dec. 6-**Holiday Dinner

**Dec. 7-** Nursing Home Devotional

**Dec. 14-** SNAC

**Dec. 16-** Ladies Lunch

**Dec. 21-** Anniversary/Birthday Pitch-in

**Dec. 25-** Christmas  
*Church Offices Closed*

There will also be a Youth Devo. this month. Date: TBD.

**Happy Anniversary to:**

**Dave & Dianne Parson.....Dec. 4**



**Secret Sisters**

The Secret Sisters will be gathering at Montana Mike's for dinner at 6:00 pm on Thursday, December 4th. Afterwards we will come to the church building for games and a \$5 ornament exchange. At this time, you may also bring a holiday gift for your secret sister! See Lorna if you have questions.



**Holiday Dinner**

Columbus Avenue's Annual Holiday Dinner is scheduled for 5:00 pm on Saturday, December 6. Meat will be provided. Please bring side dishes and desserts.

If you have a child age 9 or under that will be attending, please sign them up on the Fellowship & Involvement Bulletin Board. If you would like to make monetary donations for gifts, please see Gary & Darla Johnson.

Also, there will be "Reindeer Games" for kids in grades K-6 in the lower level classrooms. To help them out, we need 3-4 couples or individuals who would also like to have some "reindeer fun" with the young people. Please see Jim Harrison a.s.a.p. (*like, yesterday!*) if you can help.

**Nursing Home Devotional**

Please make plans to join us at the Community North Care Center next Sunday at 3:00 p.m. as we worship and fellowship with the residents there.

**Speaker:** Bob Moorman  
**Song Leader:** Robert Allison, Sr.



### Ladies Lunch

The next monthly lunch at the Ponderosa Steak House will be Tuesday, December 16 at 11:30 a.m. To reserve a seat at the table, please sign up on the Fellowship & Involvement bulletin board.



### Anniversary/Birthday Pitch-in

Sunday, December 21st immediately following the evening worship service. Theme: Chili *yum!*



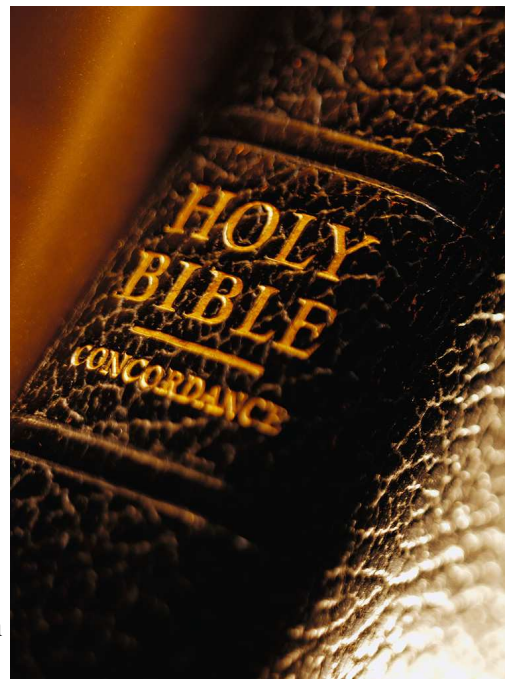
This.....

This Book unfolds Jehovah's mind;  
This Book salutes in accents kind;  
This Friend our needs will amply meet;  
This Foundation sends forth joys sweet.

This Mine affords us boundless wealth;  
This Good Physician gives us health;  
This Sun renews and warms the soul;  
This Sword both wounds and makes us whole.

This Letter shows our sins forgiven;  
This Guide conducts us safe to heaven;  
This Charter has been sealed with blood;  
This Volume is the Word of God.

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**TODAY'S SERVANTS**

**DOOR GREETERS:**

**SOUTH:** James Hughes

**MIDDLE:** Caleb & Jared Hughes

**NORTH:** Angy Hughes

**ALTERNATE SCRIPTURE READER:** Mark Gooding

**NURSERY ATTENDANT:** Darla Johnson

**EVENING WORSHIP LEADERS**

**SONG LEADER:** Youth

**LESSON:** Ryan Cox

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Gary Meeker

**SERVING NEXT LORD'S DAY  
DECEMBER 7, 2008**

**DOOR GREETERS:**

**SOUTH:** Florine Smith

**MIDDLE:** Ray Smith

**NORTH:** Jim Morris

**GREETING THE ASSEMBLY:** Gary Johnson

**SONG LEADERS:**

**A.M.** Jim Morris                      **P.M.** Gary Meeker

**THE LORD'S TABLE:**

**1ST PRAYER:** Norman Alexander

**2ND PRAYER:** Dale Wiles

**SCRIPTURE READING:**

**PRIMARY:** Jim Harrison

**ALTERNATE:** Joe Wolf

**LEADING IN PRAYER:**

**A.M. OPENING:** Ed Boles

**A.M. CLOSING:** Bill Etchison

**P.M. OPENING:** Robert Allison, Sr.

**P.M. CLOSING:** Mark Gooding

**NURSERY ATTENDANT:** Jerri Dee Betts

*God gave you the gift of 86,400 seconds today.  
How much time did you give Him?*

**WEDNESDAY EVENING-- DECEMBER 3, 2008**

**SONG LEADER:** Gary Meeker

**DEVOTIONAL:** Ed Boles

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Ryan Cox

**NOVEMBER ASSIGNMENTS**

**ASSISTING ON THE LORD'S TABLE:**

David Archer                      Nick Allison

Josh Johnson                      Colin Zachary

Joe Wolf                              Charles Lollar

**BAPTISMAL CLOTHING:** Becky King

**COMMUNION:** Lorna Gooding

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Norman Alexander

**CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR TEACHER**

**Ages 3-5:** Kathi Yeryar & Betty Dietrich

**Grades K-4:** Richard Shelton

**SHEPHERDS OF THE FLOCK**

Norman Alexander                      378-6420

Robert Allison, Sr.                      534-3569

Barry King                              778-4624

Gary Meeker                              778-2868

**PREACHING MINISTER**

Gary Meeker                              778-2868

**YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTER**

Ryan Cox                              (765) 717-1858

**SERVANTS OF THE CHURCH**

BENEVOLENCE, Dale Wiles                      644-5387

COMMUNICATIONS, James Hughes                      (317) 747-9158

EDUCATION/YOUTH, Richard Shelton                      378-3945

FACILITIES, Ray Smith                      649-7279

FELLOWSHIP, Gary Johnson                      378-7179

FINANCES/BUDGET, Dan Smith                      642-4819

HEAT/AIR SYSTEMS, Jim Hodges                      649-5143

INVOLVEMENT, Jim Harrison                      642-8668

MISSIONS, Jay Allison                      649-5607

SAFETY SYSTEMS, Charles Buckner                      642-6991

SUPPORT/SPECIAL SERVICES, Mark Gooding                      724-9428

WORSHIP, Jim Morris                      534-4448