

Columbus Avenue Church of Christ

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Proper Worship Conduct– Start Early (part 1)

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ASSEMBLIES OF THE CHURCH

Sunday Morning

Bible Study:
9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning
Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening
Worship: 6:00 p.m.

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

Bible Study at other
times by appointment

Office Hours:
M-F, 9a-2p

Babies are crying, children are playing, books are being read, hand-held video games are going strong, and food crumbs are scattered on the floor. No, this is not a get-together. These are things I often see and hear when my family gathers with the saints to worship God.

I completely understand the desire to occupy children so we can fully worship God for the entire service; but although that is important, it is also critical that we train our children to serve and obey Christ above everything else.

Parental Behavior

The most effective way we can teach our children is by setting a proper example. If we are passing notes, doodling, fidgeting, constantly looking at our watch, or whispering to the people around us, we give our children a clear and direct message that we think other things are more important than worshipping God.

Before we can even start teaching our children to participate in the service, we need to be participating ourselves. Let's put the paper away (unless we are taking-not passing-notes), avoid sitting around people who we are tempted to talk to, and sing every song, even if it is not among our personal favorites.

Location Matters

It is important to consider our children when choosing where to sit during worship. For example, if our family sits close to one of our daughter's friends or someone who is playing with toys she is much more interested in watching what they are doing than sitting still and worshipping God. My husband and I also do not let her sit with other people during service because training her is a job for us as her parents. (Proverbs 22:6).

An older child might be able to sit with a friend, but be selective. If a friend is allowed to have video games, that is going to send your child mixed messages. The better idea is to have the friend sit with you so you can monitor their behavior.

TODAY IS PROMOTION SUNDAY! All children need to advance to the appropriate class according to the grade they are in at school.



Welcome

A cordial welcome to each of you! Let us join together in worshipping the God who created and sustains us. Praise God with joy and gladness. Extend your hand to greet your fellow worshipers warmly remembering that we are “members one of another” (Ephesians 4:25).

Please take the time to fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering tray at the appropriate time and please remember to silence all pagers and cell phones during worship.

There is an attended nursery for ages 2 and under available each Sunday morning. Chris Hollingsworth will be available to care for your children this morning.

Bible Hour, a worship service designed for children ages 3-4th grade and taught on their level, is also available. Children will be dismissed after the Lord’s Supper Observance.

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



The Watering Hole:

Gospel Minutes

Power and Consequences of Sin

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

Greeting the Assembly: Bob Moorman

Song Service led by: Kevin Wash

622– *Ring Out the Message*

490– *It Is Well with My Soul*

Prayer: Jim Watters

581– *I’d Rather Have Jesus*

Contribution

382– *Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?*

The Lord’s Supper

1st Prayer– Barry King

2nd Prayer—Kevin Wash

753– *Farther Along*

(Children dismissed to classes)

712– *Jesus Is Coming Soon*

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 12:4; 13:20

Jay Allison

Congregation: Psalms 118:24

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

Lesson: Gary Meeker

129– *Amazing Grace*

Announcements: Norman Alexander

570– *A Beautiful Life*

Prayer: Gary Johnson



Prayers are requested for:

Laverne Toombs is in Community Northview Care Center, room 215.
Henry Batin is scheduled for review in 6 months in regards to his heart problems.

Teresa Johnson is experiencing some health problems and is having a series of tests done.

FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WITH ON-GOING HEALTH CONCERNS: Bill Beck, Ron Johnson, Jerry Johnston, Dennis Keener, Don & Debbie Archer, Debbie Bair, Wayne & Wilda Bryan, Della Stalcup, Harriet Hobbs, Jean & Jerry Weir, Jean Kendall, Luther Hodges, Lois Montgomery, Mattye Gum

OUR HOMEBOUND: Mattye Gum, Laura Oliver, Thelma Smith, Phyllis Fraser, Nina McIntyre, Garnet McKinney, Becky Adkins, Edna Bookout

OUR NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

Community Northview: Margie Tompkins, Robbie Dickerson, Laverne Toombs

Manor Care: Selbert & Jewell Braden, Charlie Callendar

Rawlins House, Pendleton: Betty Wunder

Community Parkview, Elwood: Albert Burton

Summitville Convalescent Center: Lola Conner

Meadowbrook Rehab Center: LaTheda Hathcoat

Bethany Point Health Campus: Jean Kendall

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

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

OUR MISSION WORKERS: Jody Apple (PA), Vito & Antonietta Ligorio (Italy), Ned Isonguyo (Nigeria)

Event Card Totals for August were:

Visit: 85

Transportation: 39

Encouragement: 78

Benevolence: 34

Special Needs: 19

Calls: 52

Other: 18

Grand Total: 325

Visitation Program Totals for August were:

Nursing Home/Homebound: 20/24

Widows: 16/18

In Town Visitors: 4/5

Extended Absences: 2/4

New Members: 0/1

Grand Total: 42/52= 80%



Change for Children

Your Help is Needed

Medicine Bottles for Africa



Bottle Caps for Dialysis: By recycling the plastic bottle caps from milk jugs, dialysis patients receive free treatment. Please place bottle caps in the box provided in the Family Room.

Today's devotional at the Community Northview Care Center has been cancelled.

DATES TO REMEMBER...

- Sept. 7** Labor Day-church offices closed
- Sept. 10** Ladies Devotional, 7 pm
- Sept. 13-16** Tipton Church of Christ
Gospel Meeting
- Sept. 15** Ladies Lunch, 11:30 am
- Sept. 18-19** Ladies Retreat
- Sept. 20** Birthday/Anniversary Pitch-in
- Sept. 20-23** Lebanon Church of Christ
Marriage & Parenting Seminar
- Sept. 26** Grades 3-6 monthly get-together
- Sept. 26** Grades 7-12 monthly get-together
- Sept. 27** Congregational Singing, 2 pm

Happy Birthday to:

- David Archer.....Sept. 7
- Della Stalcup.....80th!.....Sept. 9

Happy Anniversary to:

- Danny & Melanie Lewis.....TODAY!
- Jim & Karen Harrison.....Sept. 10



Gospel Meeting

The Tipton Church of Christ will be hosting a Gospel Meeting September 13-16 with guest speaker Phil Dunn. Meeting times are posted on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.



Birthday/ Anniversary Pitch-in

Join us as we celebrate those in our church family who have a birthday and/or anniversary in September immediately after the evening service on



Marriage and Parenting Seminar



The Lebanon Church of Christ is hosting a Seminar with speaker Jim Russell, LCPC, September 20-23. More information is posted on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.

Congregational Singing



Area churches of Christ will gather together here on Sunday, September 27, 2-4 pm for a period of worship in song. We encourage everyone to attend.

For The Ladies



Devotional: Thursday, September 10, at 7:00 pm at the home of Mattye Gum. Becky King will be leading our devotional. A couple of ladies are needed to provide refreshments. If you can help, please sign up on the Devo's and Such bulletin Board.

Lunch: Tuesday, September 15, at 11:30 am at Ponderosa. Please sign up on the Things To Do bulletin board to attend.



Retreat: Mark your calendars and save the date: September 18-19. Sheila Butt will be the guest speaker. She is the author of Seeking Spiritual Beauty, the book recently studied in the Ladies Class. We encourage all women to attend.

Please RSVP by this Wednesday, September 9th.

Secret Sister Program: has been put on hold for a year. We hope to restart the program at a later date.

Youth News

Ryan would like all the families with children to fill out a Youth Contact Form and return it to him. These forms are available on the table in the Family Room.

GRADES 3-6 will meet here at the church building on Saturday, September 26 at 7 pm for a Family Movie Night. Snacks will be provided. Admission fee to the movie is one non-perishable pantry item per family member.



GRADES 7-12 will meet at the Wade's (2344 S. 450 E., Anderson) at 6 pm on Saturday, September 19th for a bonfire and cook-out.

SIGN UP ON THE YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD TO ATTEND THESE EVENTS.

CHUCKLE:

A little boy opened the big family Bible with fascination, looking at the old pages as he turned them. Then something fell out of the Bible. He picked it up and looked at it closely. It was an old leaf from a tree that had been pressed between the pages. "Mama, look what I found!," the boy called out. "What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked. With astonishment in the young boy's voice he answered, "It's Adam's suit!"

TODAY'S SERVANTS

DOOR GREETERS:

SOUTH: Mary Buckner

MIDDLE: Ryan Cox

NORTH: Charles Buckner

ALTERNATE SCRIPTURE READER: Mike Wade

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Chris Hollingsworth

EVENING WORSHIP LEADERS

SONG LEADER: Kevin Wash

OPENING PRAYER: Barry King

LESSON: Gary Meeker

CLOSING PRAYER: Ron Johnson

SERVING NEXT LORD'S DAY-- SEPTEMBER 13, 2009

DOOR GREETERS:

SOUTH: Dianne Parson

MIDDLE: Dave Parson

NORTH: Nancy Rush

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY: Ryan Cox

SONG LEADERS:

A.M. Jim Morris

P.M. Jim Harrison

THE LORD'S TABLE:

1ST PRAYER: Gary Johnson

2ND PRAYER: Charles Buckner

SCRIPTURE READING:

PRIMARY: Mark Gooding

ALTERNATE: Jim Harrison

LEADING IN PRAYER:

A.M. OPENING: Gary Meeker

A.M. CLOSING: Jim Morris

P.M. OPENING: Kevin Wash

P.M. CLOSING: Bill Beals

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Lois Gaw

WEDNESDAY EVENING-- SEPTEMBER 9, 2009

SONG LEADER: Miles Gooding

DEVOTIONAL: Gary Johnson

CLOSING PRAYER: Miles Gooding

Goals & Achievements

Attendance

Sunday Bible Class

Sunday A.M. Worship

Sunday P.M. Worship

Wednesday Evening

Last Week

85

165

105

112

Gifts & Offerings

Budget

\$3,716.78

Actual

\$3,512.30

Difference

- \$204.48

SEPTEMBER ASSIGNMENTS

ASSISTING ON THE LORD'S TABLE:

Joe Wolf

Richard Shelton

Jim Hodges

Bob Fraser

Austin Hawkins

Donovan Archer

BAPTISMAL CLOTHING: L & M Hollingsworth

COMMUNION: L & M Hollingsworth

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Norman Alexander

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR TEACHERS:

Ages 3-5: Gary & Darla Johnson

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

643-5152

SERVANTS OF THE CHURCH

BENEVOLENCE, Dale Wiles

644-5387

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