

# NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

## July 2, 2023

Sunday Morning Worship - 9:30 am  
 Bible Classes - 10:45 am  
 Sunday Evening Worship - 6:30 pm  
 Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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### SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY AM	July 2	July 9
Announcements	Meredith	Hamm
Song Leader	McIntire	Vaughan
Opening Prayer	Clark	C. Miller
Scripture	G. Kupfner	McIntire
Lord's Supper	Lyons	Berry
Usher - Auditorium	Cox	Houser
Usher - Foyer	Heaney	Ja. Eaton
Usher - Security	Kv. Grose	B. Kupfner
P.A. System Audio	A. Grose	D. Jones
P.A. System Video	E. Grose	R. Cook
Pick up cards	Cook/Vaughan	Miller/Miller
Pick up cards	Miller/Miller	Duncan/Duncan
Door Greeters	Batton/Miller	D. Miller
SUNDAY PM	Sun. PM	Sun. PM
Announcements	Ullom	Kerns
Song Leader	McIntire	Vaughan
Opening Prayer	Ferrebee	Merrill
Scripture	Maze	E. Kupfner
Closing Prayer	Ja. Eaton	Egnor
Lord's Supper	Duncan	Heaney
Door Greeters	C. Miller	Petty
WEDNESDAY	July 5	July 12
Announcements	Ullom	Kerns
Song Leader	Ja. Eaton	Aites
Opening Prayer	Ullom	Kerns
Invitation	R. Rush	D. Petty
Door Greeters	Kv. Grose	Heaney

If you are unable to serve call Dave Butterfield at 304-482-8917  
 \*Those serving as ushers, PA and pick up cards are only shown on AM, but they are the same for PM & Wed.

**SERVING IN THE MILITARY**  
**Chance Gordon** (grandson of Ken & Parma Heaney)  
**Chandler Hamilton** (grandson of Jeff & Mary Smearman)  
**Allen Hardbarger** (nephew of Ruth Dickson)  
**Nicholas Linville** (grandson of Jim Kerns)  
**Andrew Miller Jr.** (grandson of Curtis Dickson)  
**Dustin Miller** (brother of Chris Miller)  
**Nate Ruble** (son of Patty Ruble)  
**Josie Thomas** (sister of Jen Miller)

### AREA EVENTS

**OVCYC FUNDRAISER EVENT:** July 8, 11:00 am - 4 pm at Camp Barbe, Elizabeth, WV (see bulletin board)  
**VBS:** July 10-13, Rockport church of Christ 6:30-8pm  
**VBS:** July 30 - Aug. 2, North End church of Christ  
**24th Annual North Central Ohio Bible Lectureship,** August 6-9, 2023, Toledo Road church of Christ (see bulletin board)  
**20th Annual Golf Benefit** for WV Christian Youth Camp, August 12th (see bulletin board)  
**BBQ** to benefit WV Christian Youth Camp, Sept. 9,

### Youth Events

**Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp:** Located at Camp Barbe, Elizabeth, WV  
 Junior Week: July 9-14 - Ages 8-11  
**West Virginia Christian Youth Camp:** Pennsboro  
 Senior Week: July 2-7  
 Intermediate Week: July 9-14  
 Junior Week: July 16-21  
 All Age Week: July 23-28  
 Singing Emphasis Week: July 30-August 4  
**Youth Night:** August 7, Pennsville church of Christ, Stockport, OH 6-8 pm

  
**WTAP- Sunday, 7:30am**  
**July 2 - Wonderfully Made**  
**July 9 - The Blessings of Prayer**

**OUR GROWTH FOR 2023**

Baptisms.....	2
Request for prayers, Restored.....	3
Placed Membership.....	7

Our Record	June 25	Average 2023
Sunday AM Worship	123	138
Sunday Bible Class	94	110
Sunday PM Worship	93	103
Wednesday Bible Class	88	104

### MISSIONS

- Congregational Mission Efforts**
- Dalraida church of Christ**  
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- Greenville Church of Christ**  
Greenville, OH
- Indian Missions**
- Panama Missions**
- Aldrin Peter Anson Paul**  
India
- Andy Robison**  
WV School of Preaching
- Search TV**  
Edmond, OK
- Mike Tincer**  
Seth, WV
- West Virginia School of Preaching**  
Moundsville, WV

### Is Ignorance Really Bliss?

by Mark Aites

“There is nothing more frightful than an active ignorance.” (Johann Wolfgang von Goethe)

“A man may live long, and die at last in ignorance of many truths, which his mind was capable of knowing, and that with certainty.” (John Locke)

All of us no doubt have heard the age old saying that “ignorance is bliss.” The thought is that the less you know the happier you will be.

Webster defines ignorance as, a “lack of knowledge, education, or awareness.” Ronald Huereca describes it as a three-fold trait: of being uneducated, unaware, and uninformed.”

Many have sought to excuse people who have never heard the truth from being in danger of losing their souls. They say, “How can you hold people accountable to something which they have never heard?” If indeed we cannot hold people responsible, then why not just destroy the Bible. Let's take our copies and burn them. Why bother to take the gospel into the whole world if those people can be saved by their ignorance?

Will ignorance hold up in a court of law in the United States? Absolutely not! Neither will it hold up in the judgment bar of God. If one sins, even though ignorant of the law, it is still a sin, and therefore, there is a need for a sacrifice to atone for that sin. This is why it is necessary for us to preach the gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15).

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse” (Rom. 1:20). “Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent” (Acts 17:30).

## Prayer List

### Our Members

Mark Berry  
Karen Blair  
Richard & Eva Cook  
Cathy Clegg  
Curtis & Ruth Dickson  
Fran Egnor  
Van & Ronnie Ferrier  
Buster Kupfner  
Ken Long  
Sue Mahan  
Ethel Mathers  
Helen May  
Marvin & Joan Petty  
Sharon Pugh  
Mary Rose Talbott  
Jim Ullom  
Barb Walker

### Family & Friends

Russell Fox (*Dickson*)  
Laura King (*Warne*)  
Michelle Layman  
(*S. Kress*)  
Jeff Romine (*Egnor*)  
Loretta Sawyers  
(*Shockey*)  
Elsie Smith (*May*)  
Fred Steed (*Steed*)  
Tracey Steed (*Steed*)  
Brent West (*West*)

## Remember In Prayer

**Mark Berry** had eye surgery last week. The surgery went well. The cataract and lens were removed but a new lens could not be inserted due to eye damage. He will see his doctor later in July.

**Bob Cameron** is recuperating from carpal tunnel surgery.

**Abby Martin** has been having issues with fainting. She is now wearing a heart monitor.

**Lana McFee**, has been unable to attend services with us due to heart issues. She also had a bout of pneumonia but is recovering.

**Jimmy Sailor** will see a surgeon July 3rd to discuss possible neck surgery.

**Michelle Layman**, daughter of Sally Kress, began chemotherapy treatments last week.

**April Range**, niece of Kris and Debby Warne, has been battling cancer for several months. A recent scan showed there is no new cancer. Kris and Debby want to thank you for your prayers on April's behalf.

**Linda Workman**, sister of Art Clegg, will have surgery for cancer on July 6th in Cambridge.

Ruth Dickson has requested prayers for her brother, **Russell Fox**, who had surgery on June 30th for cancer. Prayers requested for her niece, **Heather Brown**, who's father passed away.

## Announcements

**Attendance Cards:** Members, please fill out a tan attendance card and pass it to the aisles. Visitors, please fill out the blue cards.

**Sermons:** Mark's lesson titles for today are: AM "Please Heal the Land", PM "The Deceit of the Gibeonites"

**Opportunity Cards:** Group One will pick up their opportunity cards tonight. Please send a card, make a visit, or a phone call.

**Summer Series:** Our Summer Series begins this Wednesday. Roger Rush will be our speaker. All adult classes will remain in the auditorium during our Summer Series.

**Elder Selection Forms:** Please fill out the Elder Selection form and return it to the Elders no later than **July 9th**. If you have any questions, please speak to one of our Elders. Forms are located on the bulletin table in the foyer.

**VBS:** Our VBS, "Redemption Ranch," is four weeks away. We will be looking at four of Jesus' well-loved parables. There are VBS flyers located on a table in the foyer for you to take. There will be classes for all ages!

**Help Needed:** Vacation Bible School is July 30 - August 2. *We are in need of volunteers to take different age groups around to the various activities.* There is no teaching involved. If you can help, please sign the lists on the table in the foyer. See Kevin Grose if you have any questions.

### Elders

Mark Berry  
David Hamm  
Randy Meredith  
Harvey West

### Elder Meetings

July 9 - 5:00 pm  
July 24 - 3:00 pm

### Deacons

Dave Butterfield  
Ron Cook  
Harley Cox  
John Duncan  
Ken Grose  
Kevin Grose  
Jim Kerns  
Josh Kupfner  
Dan Lyons  
Dennis Miller  
Mike Oblisk  
Jim Ullom  
C.J. Vaughan

### Minister

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### Today's Scripture

AM~ 2 Chronicles 7:13-14  
PM~ Joshua 9:3-6