

# NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

## July 9, 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 9	July 16
Announcements	Hamm	Berry
Song Leader	Vaughan	Je. Eaton
Opening Prayer	C. Miller	Heaney
Scripture	McIntire	Smith
Lord's Supper	Berry	Kv. Grose
Usher - Auditorium	Houser	Malone
Usher - Foyer	Ja. Eaton	Vaughan
Usher - Security	B. Kupfner	L. Cook
P.A. System Audio	D. Jones	Ferrebee
P.A. System Video	R. Cook	E. Kupfner
Pick up cards	Miller/Miller	Duncan/Duncan
Pick up cards	Duncan/Duncan	Cook/Vaughan
Door Greeters	D. Miller	Egnor
SUNDAY PM	Sun. PM	Sun. PM
Announcements	Kerns	Butterfield
Song Leader	Vaughan	Je. Eaton
Opening Prayer	Merrill	Hoschar
Scripture	E. Kupfner	E. Grose
Closing Prayer	Egnor	Warne
Lord's Supper	Heaney	Dean
Door Greeters	Petty	Duncan
WEDNESDAY	July 12	July 19
Announcements	Kerns	Butterfield
Song Leader	Aites	Oblisk
Opening Prayer	Kerns	Butterfield
Invitation	D. Petty	R. Thomas
Door Greeters	Heaney	Houser

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

**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, Toledo Road church of Christ  
**Belpre church of Christ 90th Anniversary:** August 8, 9:00 am  
**20th Annual Golf Benefit** for WV Christian Youth Camp, August 12th (see bulletin board)  
**BBQ** to benefit WV Christian Youth Camp, Sept. 9, 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### 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  
 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 9 - The Blessings of Prayer**  
**July 16 - The Nature of God**

OUR GROWTH FOR 2023	
Baptisms.....	2
Request for prayers, Restored.....	3
Placed Membership.....	7

Our Record	July 2	Average 2023
Sunday AM Worship	131	138
Sunday Bible Class	99	109
Sunday PM Worship	99	103
Wednesday Bible Class	120	105

### 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

### Godly Balance

By Jesse Eaton

In life today, achieving true balance can be one of the greatest challenges. Americans, as a whole, are busier now than they have ever been before, constantly rushing from activity to activity, place to place, always to be found frantically pursuing the latest trend or fad... you get the idea. Not only is life busier now than it ever has been, but our beliefs and views are more polarized than they have ever been. Politics drive a wedge deep into communities, families, and even homes. We tend to fall into the thinking that either things are red or blue, and that there is no middle ground. How does this thinking affect our spiritual lives? Always seeking the next thing to be rushing on to? Always towing the party line?

These "ideals" stand in stark contrast to what the LORD calls His people to. One of my favorite passages in the Bible has long been Psalm 46:10, with its recognition of who God is, "... our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble..." (v1), but also the reality check which it issues, to "Be still and know that I am God" (v10a). God calls us to know who He is and with that knowledge to be still and to allow Him to work out his purposes. We often find ourselves swept up in the busy pace of life, but God calls us away from this flurry of activity to be still and to remind ourselves of who our God is.

A more pressing issue, however, is the encroachment of political polarization into the church. We must remember that our identity is not found in one party or the other. Our citizenship is found in heaven (Phil. 3:20), and that we abide by God's moral standards, not by what one party or another declares is right or true (Acts 5:29).

A truly balanced life, then, resembles the following: We must build our lives upon God and Christ, the "precious cornerstone and sure foundation" (Isaiah 28:16). We must understand who we are in light of who God is. And finally, we must do what He says, not swaying to the left or to the right, but above all fearing God and keeping His commands (Eccl. 12:13,14). May we all strive to stand apart from the world that is out of balance, and strive to seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8).

## 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

Javier Alvarez (*Vaughan*)  
Laura King (*Warne*)  
Michelle Layman  
(*S. Kress*)  
Jeff Romine (*Egnor*)  
Gary & Loretta Sawyers  
(*Shockey*)  
Elsie Smith (*May*)  
Fred Steed (*Steed*)  
Tracey Steed (*Steed*)  
Brent West (*West*)  
Linda Workman (*A. Clegg*)

## Remember In Prayer

**Mark Berry** has an appointment to see his eye doctor on Tuesday, July 11th.

**Ken Long** is scheduled for a procedure on his esophagus on Tuesday, July 11th in Columbus.

**Leonard Shears** was admitted to the hospital on July 5th. He is being treated for an infection.

**Jeanette Dyer** was admitted to Marietta Memorial Hospital on July 5th with kidney issues.

**Sandra Keith**, sister of Curtis Dickson, is dealing with cancer. Curtis requests your prayers.

**Tony Police**, father of Kyrstin Carter, has been diagnosed with Pulmonary Fibrosis. He is dealing with other health issues as well.

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**VBS:** Our VBS, "Redemption Ranch," is three 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.

**Update:** We are no longer in need of cans for VBS.

**VBS Meeting:** There will be a meeting Wednesday, July 12th, for all involved in VBS. Meet in classroom two.

## Announcements

**Attendance Cards:** Members, fill out a tan attendance card. Visitors, fill out a blue card. Please pass them to the aisles.

**Sermons:** Mark will speak for us this morning. His lesson title is: "The Need for Balance". Jesse Eaton will speak this evening. His lesson title is: "Cost of Discipleship".

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

**Summer Series:** Our Summer Series continues this Wednesday. Doug Petty will be our speaker. All adult, middle school, and high school classes will remain in the auditorium during our Summer Series.

**Elder Selection Forms:** Elder selection forms are to be submitted by today, **July 9th**. Forms are located on the bulletin table in the foyer.

**Directory:** We are in the last stages of finalizing our directory. In the foyer on the white table is a list of everyone's names, addresses and phone numbers. Please proofread your entry and make corrections if necessary. Please initial when you are done.

**Ladies:** All ladies are invited to meet for lunch at Western Sizzlin' on Friday, April 14th at noon. There is a large table reserved.

**Singing Workshop:** On Sunday, July 16th we will have a singing workshop during our evening service. You are encouraged to attend to help you grow in your singing and worship to God.

### **Thank You**

I want to thank all that sent cards. I received so many. Thank you for all the prayers, they sure were answered. I'm still recovering and undergoing therapy. Thank you, *Pat Miller*

Russell Fox sends his thanks to all of you for your prayers. The doctor reported that they got all his cancer and the biopsy on his lymph nodes shows no more cancer. *Ruth Dickson*

### 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

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### Today's Scripture

**AM~ Deuteronomy 5:32-33**  
**PM~ Matthew 16:24-25**