

NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

June 18, 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 | June 18 | June 25 |
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| Announcements | Berry | West |
| Song Leader | Smith | Oblisk |
| Opening Prayer | Lyons | D. Miller |
| Scripture | Houser | C. Miller |
| Lord's Supper | McIntire | Butterfield |
| Usher - Auditorium | Warne | Duncan |
| Usher - Foyer | Kerns | Kidder |
| Usher - Security | G. Kupfner | McHenry |
| P.A. System Audio | McHenry | A. Grose |
| P.A. System Video | Ferrebee | Maze |
| Pick up cards | Miller/Miller | Cook/Vaughan |
| Pick up cards | Duncan/ Duncan | Miller/Miller |
| Door Greeters | B. Kupfner | G. Kupfner |
| SUNDAY PM | Sun. PM | Sun PM |
| Announcements | Duncan | Kv. Grose |
| Song Leader | Smith | Oblisk |
| Opening Prayer | Dean | Ferrebee |
| Scripture | E. Kupfner | Hinzman |
| Closing Prayer | Ja. Eaton | McIntire |
| Lord's Supper | Kidder | Shears |
| Door Greeters | D. Miller | Petty |
| WEDNESDAY | June 21 | June 28 |
| Announcements | Duncan | Kv. Grose |
| Song Leader | D. Jones | Lyons |
| Opening Prayer | Duncan | Kv. Grose |
| Invitation | Aites | Vaughan |
| Door Greeters | Giffen | West |

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 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, 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Youth Events

Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp: Located at Camp Barbe, Elizabeth, WV
 Senior Week: June 18-23 - Ages 14-19
 Intermediate Week: June 25-30 - Ages 11-14
 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


WTAP- Sunday, 7:30am
June 25 - Whatever

OUR GROWTH FOR 2023

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

| Our Record | June 11 | Average 2023 |
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| Sunday AM Worship | 127 | 139 |
| Sunday Bible Class | 96 | 111 |
| Sunday PM Worship | 84 | 103 |
| Wednesday Bible Class | 92 | 105 |
| Contribution | | |

MISSIONS

Congregational Mission Efforts

Dalraida church of Christ
 Chimala

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

God's Qualifications for Elders

by Jesse Eaton

The role of an Overseer, or Shepherd, is the most important position of leadership and authority in each congregation of the Lord's Church. How fitting, then, is it that God has taken time and detail to describe what He requires of men who would seek to become an elder.

Of utmost importance is the reputation of an overseer. Paul instructs Timothy that an overseer "must be above reproach... sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable... not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money" (1 Timothy 3:2,3). The character of a man who desires to become an overseer is paramount to his position - if he expects to shepherd the 'sheep' by his example, he must live a righteous life. Because elders should also be those who are at the forefront of the congregation's outreach into the community, others outside the body need to see their good character. If an elder would be a violent, quarrelsome man or one who is not self-controlled in any way, this would not only give the Church a bad name, but also the Lord. Paul exhorts Timothy that an overseer "... must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into the condemnation of the devil" (1 Timothy 3:7).

Along with having a sound character, those seeking to become Shepherds are called to "be able to teach" (2 Timothy 3:2). As we noted last week, the two main jobs elders are called to fulfill is leading the flock (protection) and feeding the flock (teaching). If a man has not and is not comfortable teaching the congregation, or lacks the knowledge to be able to instruct the congregation in God's Word, he is most certainly unqualified to become an overseer. This inexperience is also shown as Paul states that "He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil" (1 Timothy 3:6).

Lastly, Paul says that an elder must be "the husband of one wife," and that he must "manage his own household well with all dignity, keeping his children submissive" (1 Timothy 3:2,4). The idea of a husband of one wife conveys the same concept as Paul has discussed previously, as he says that husbands are to love their wives as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for her (Ephesians 5:25). As with both of these qualifications that Paul commands, he gives reasoning in verse 5: "... for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church?" Paul goes further in the Epistle to Titus, even stating that "... his children must be believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination."

As members of the Lord's body, we must recognize that we have the opportunity to select the men who would become Shepherds to guide us and to teach us. We must make certain that these men meet every qualification provided by God, otherwise they should not be selected. Appointing Overseers is a serious business, and should not be taken quickly or lightly.

Prayer List

Our Members

Mark Berry
Karen Blair
Richard & Eva Cook
Curtis & Ruth Dickson
Fran Egnor
Van & Ronnie Ferrier
Ken Long
Sue Mahan
Ethel Mathers
Helen May
Greg & Randi Michael
Pat Miller
Becky Petty
Marvin & Joan Petty
Sharon Pugh
Mary Rose Talbott
Jim Ullom
Barb Walker

Family & Friends

Rosellen Allen (*P. Kupfner*)
Morgan Barrett (*Vaughan*)
Patty Buck (*Talbott*)
Kelly Clark (*Shockey*)
Beverly Coe (*Blair*)
Dennis Cooper (*Cooper*)
Josie Cunningham (*S. Eaton*)
Justin Davis (*Michael*)
Russell Fox (*Dickson*)
Steven Keith (*Dickson*)
Laura King (*Warne*)
Ralph Layfield (*Blair*)
Betty Pruett (*J. Miller*)
April Range (*Warne*)
Karol Reed (*Aites*)
Loretta Sawyers (*Shockey*)
Elsie Smith (*May*)
Fred Steed (*Steed*)
Tracey Steed (*Steed*)
Jeremy Sullivan (*Dickson*)
Carol Sullivan (*Dickson*)
Donnie Teters (*McHenry*)
Delmas Tingler (*Cox*)
Brent West (*West*)

Remember In Prayer

Buster Kupfner will have hiatal hernia surgery this Thursday, June 22nd.

Pam Kupfner has been recovering from Diverticulosis at home after a recent hospital stay. She has a follow-up with her Doctor in late July and schedule a colonoscopy.

Cathy Clegg came home late Thursday from the hospital in Morgantown. She is being referred to the Cleveland Clinic to help with her blood disorder and other issues.

Bob Cameron had carpal tunnel surgery on his left hand on Wednesday and will have the procedure performed on his right hand next week.

Jeanette Dyer is recovering from kidney stone surgery performed on Friday.

Michelle Layman, daughter of Sally Kress, will begin radiation and chemo in the next few weeks for stage 1 cervical cancer. Surgery is not an option.

Chuck Leonard, a family member of Mary Malone, had complications from a recent stroke early last week and spent time in the hospital. He is now back in the Westerville rehabilitation center and has resumed his physical, speech, and occupational therapies.

Announcements

VBS: Our VBS, "Redemption Ranch," begins in six weeks. 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.

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 sermon title's for today are: AM- "Qualifications of Elders" PM- "A Father's Toolbox"

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

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 the Elders.

Panama Mission Trip: Becky Kidder and Melissa Grose will be leaving June 30th for Panama. Please keep these ladies and the good efforts being done there in your prayers.

VBS: Our VBS is July 30 - August 2. We are in need of 14 - 16 oz. cans for a craft. Please make sure they are cleaned and the labels removed. You can place them in the box in the foyer.

Summer Series: Our Summer Series will take place every Wednesday in July. There will be a different speaker each evening. The theme is "Redemption". There are flyers located on a table in the foyer for you to take. All adult classes will remain in the auditorium for this series.

Elders

Mark Berry
David Hamm
Randy Meredith
Harvey West

Elder Meetings

June 26 - 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~ Titus 1:5-9
PM~ Proverbs 3:1-8