

NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 12, 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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The Pressure Of Society

by Mark Aites

"When a nation goes down, or a society perishes, one condition may always be found; they forgot where they came from. They lost sight of what had brought them along." – Carl Sandburg

Society, i.e. the mindset of the worldly-minded, is hard for us to escape. Everywhere we turn it stares us in the face. And the opinions and views that are found within our society, for the most part, are foreign to the word of God.

A man once stopped after a worship service and asked if he could get married at that moment. After the discussion, it was obvious that he did not have a Scriptural right to remarry. When refused his comment was, "But I have a marriage license and the state says that I can remarry."

There seems to be little interest in pleasing God. If society sanctions it, it must be right. It is similar to the problem of abortion. The Scriptures make it clear that God does not sanction the taking of an innocent human life (Prov. 6:16-19). But because many in our society says that it is alright, it must be alright.

We struggle today as man has trained his conscience to the values of society and not the word of God. Mercy killing is alright because it is the loving thing to do; homosexuality is alright because two people express love for one another; it is wrong to try to point out sin because to do so makes people feel uncomfortable, etc.

The Bible is not as accommodating as the views of man. "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Prov. 14:12). "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven" (Matt. 7:21).

We need to be very careful about what we base our life and belief system on: man, or the word of the living God. Wisdom would point to the latter. "He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him – the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day" (John 12:48).

AREA EVENTS

Gospel Meeting: November 12-15, Bridge Street church of Christ, New Martinsville, WV, Speaker: Phil Sanders, weeknights 7:00 pm

Friday Night Sing: November 17, Camden Ave. church of Christ, 7:00-9:00 pm

Ohio Winter Lectures: January 26 & 27, 2024 Church of Christ, Fishinger Road, Columbus, Ohio. More information on the bulletin board.

Ladies Inspiration Day: April 27, 2024, Camden Ave. church of Christ, speaker: Hannah Colley

Youth Events

Traveling Youth Group: November 26, Dewey Ave. church of Christ, St. Marys, WV - 6:00 pm



WTAP- Sunday, 7:30am

November 12 - Judging
 November 19 - Count Your Blessings

OUR GROWTH FOR 2023

Baptisms.....2
 Request for prayers, Restored.....5
 Placed Membership.....10

Our Record	Nov. 5	Average 2023
Sunday AM Worship	138	139
Sunday Bible Class	110	109
Sunday PM Worship	88	102
Wednesday Bible Class	97	104

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY AM	Nov. 12	Nov. 19
Announcements	Hamm	Grose
Song Leader	Oblisk	McIntire
Opening Prayer	Cox	Dean
Scripture	Smith	Mathers
Lord's Supper	C. Miller	Oblisk
Usher - Auditorium	Warne	Duncan
Usher - Foyer	Ferrebee	McHenry
Usher - Security	Vaughan	Merrill
P.A. System Audio	McHenry	Heaney
P.A. System Video	Lyons	E. Grose
Pick up cards	Duncan/Duncan	Miller/Miller
Pick up cards	Cook/Vaughan	Duncan/Duncan
Door Greeters	Heaney	Kerns
SUNDAY PM	Sun. PM	Sun. PM
Announcements	Ullom	Vaughan
Song Leader	Oblisk	McIntire
Opening Prayer	McIntire	Lyons
Scripture	E. Kupfner	Hoschar
Closing Prayer	Kidder	D. Miller
Lord's Supper	Meredith	Ferrebee
Door Greeters	Duncan	Egnor
WEDNESDAY	Nov. 15	Nov. 22
Announcements	Ullom	Vaughan
Song Leader	Ja. Eaton	Aites
Opening Prayer	Ullom	Vaughan
Invitation	Aites	McIntire
Door Greeters	Aites	Kidder

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)

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

Prayer List

Our Members

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

Family & Friends

Christian Bradley (*Dickson*)
Wilda Clark (*Clark*)
Sandra Keith (*Dickson*)
Yvonne Keith (*Dickson*)
Mike Morlan (*Morlan*)
Pat Morris (*Long*)
Tony Police (*Carter*)
Jeff Romine (*Egnor*)
Gary & Loretta Sawyers
(*Shockey*)
Ayden Seagraves (*C. Miller*)
Brian Sims (*Smearman*)
Elsie Smith (*May*)
Fred Steed (*Steed*)
Brent West (*West*)

Remember In Prayer

Pam Kupfner continues her recuperation from shoulder surgery.

Helen May remains in Camden Clark Hospital. She is recovering from hip replacement surgery and has been diagnosed with Covid. Helen is in room 117

Leonard Shears was able to be discharged from the hospital and is now home and doing well.

Wanda Burk, mother of Mary Malone, was able to be discharged from the rehabilitation facility and is now home.

Cindy Fox, niece of Ruth Dickson, was involved in an accident at her job. She has 2nd and 3rd degree burns on her body. She is in ICU at the Burn Center in Pennsylvania.

Steve Johnson, brother of Mary Malone, will undergo surgery this week for cancer.

Mike Morlan, cousin of Jeff Morlan, is having health issues. If you would like to send him a card his address is:
609 Edgelawn Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101

Pat Morris, mother of Michele Long, is now a resident at Wyngate. She would enjoy getting cards. Her address is:
#151 Wyngate Senior Living
1 Wyngate Drive
Parkersburg, WV 26104

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Whatever your trial, God sees.
Whatever your struggle, God knows.
Whatever your cry, God hears.
Whatever your difficulty, God cares.
Whatever your problem, God understands.
Whatever your need, God provides.

Source: Bulletin Digest

Announcements

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

Sermons: Mark's lesson titles for today are: AM - "Have This Mind In You" PM - "Your Manner Of Life"

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

Leaf Raking: Our youth will be raking leaves on November 25th. If you need your leaves raked be sure to sign the paper in the foyer. See John Duncan if you have any questions. Those who are helping to rake leaves need to meet at the building at 11:00 am that day.

Afternoon Class: Our Wednesday afternoon Bible class has begun. Anyone is invited to attend. The class will meet at 1:00 pm in our library.

Shut-In Care Packages: Our youth will be making and delivering care packages to our shut-ins in December. We are asking for your help to provide items for these boxes. There is a list on the table in the foyer of suggested items. We have 15 recipients. These items can be placed in a box in the foyer.

College Students Care Bags: We are collecting items for the college students who are members at North End. We have 10 students. There is a sign up list on the table by Mark's office. We have one student who needs gluten free items. Please sign the list, bring your items in, and place them in the gift bags. There are also cards for you to sign for the students. These items are needed by November 22nd.

Love and Care: We are responsible for the services at Love and Care on November 26th and 30th. Any men who would like to help with these services can sign the list on the table in the foyer. See Dan Lyons if you have any questions.

Update: Please add the following address to your directories:
Michael & Kayla Umstot
67 Alamo Street
Waverly, WV 26184

Elders

Mark Berry
Kevin Grose
David Hamm
Randy Meredith
Harvey West

Elder Meetings

November 19 - 5:00 pm
December 4 - 4:00 pm

Deacons

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

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Today's Scripture

AM ~ Philippians 2:5-11

PM ~ 1 Timothy 2:1-4