

# NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

**March 3, 2024**



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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**Beware of Extremes**  
 by Mark Aites

"Extremes are dangerous." – Jonathan Mayhew

Centuries ago, Scripture gave a clear warning to the children of Israel, "Therefore you shall be careful to do as the Lord your God has commanded you; you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left" (Deut. 5:32; cf. 17:11,20). In facing religious ideas and concepts it is important that we be cautious that we don't listen to those who go to extremes; i.e. binding where God has not bound and loosing where God has not loosed. For example, some prohibiting the use of a pitch pipe while others would bring in an organ or piano. Webster defines such as "going to great or exaggerated lengths," "situated at the farthest point from a center."

We are on a strait path that leads to life; one that is narrow and constrictive (Matt. 7:13-14). But what remains unseen are the ditches on either side of this path. And yes, there are ditches to the left and to the right. And in those ditches we find the ugliness of intolerance. There are some who apparently think that God has granted them extreme positions. Our Lord told Peter, "And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven" (Matt. 16:19). So man assumes he can bind his edicts upon men, or he can loose the very commands of God.

It is sad to see brethren given to such extremes, and yet invoking the name of God. Many no doubt are familiar with the concept of the pendulum. In effect, it is a weight that hangs from a pivot that allows it to swing in either direction. As it relates to views that brethren hold on religious subjects, quite often they may be prone to swing the pendulum in one direction. But perhaps later, choose to swing it to the opposite extreme. A centered approach or view seems out of the question.

It is troubling to see good folks caught in the extremes of religious views. The tragedy in this is that they most likely had "help" in adopting their extreme position. A balanced approach to Scripture is of paramount importance. We cannot afford to turn to the right or to the left but stay on that strait path that leads to life.

**MISSIONS**

**North End Panama Mission**

**Andy Robison**  
 WV School of Preaching

**West Virginia School of Preaching**  
 Moundsville, WV

**Search TV**  
 Edmond, OK

**Dalraida church of Christ**  
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**Greenville Church of Christ**  
 Greenville, OH

**Mike Tinch**  
 Seth, WV

**Aldrin Peter Anson Paul**  
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**AREA EVENTS**

**Gospel Meeting:** March 10-14, Hopewell church of Christ, Speaker: Roger Rush, 7:00 pm weeknights  
**Ladies Day:** March 23, Sandyville Senior Center, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Speaker: Carrie Brainard  
**Golden Ages Day:** April 6, New Concord church of Christ, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm  
**Gospel Meeting:** April 7-10, Rio Grande Church of Christ, different speaker each night, 7:00 pm  
**Ladies Inspiration Day:** April 20, National Road church of Christ, Wheeling, WV, 9:30 am  
**Ladies Day:** April 20, Alkire Rd. church of Christ, Grove City, OH, Speaker: Brooke Pate, 9:00 am  
**Ladies Inspiration Day:** April 27, Camden Ave. church of Christ, speaker: Hannah Colley  
**Mental Health Workshop:** April 26-28, Norval Park church of Christ, Zanesville, OH, Speakers; Ben Hayes and Travis Creasy

**Area Wide Sings**

**March 8** - Chapel Hill church of Christ, Gallipolis, OH 7-9p

**Youth Events**

**Monday Night Merge:** March 4th, Rockport church of Christ 7:00 pm  
**Traveling Youth Group:** March 31st, Hopewell church of Christ, Washington, WV 6:00 pm  
**North End Youth Rally:** March 15 & 16, Speaker: Matt Cook  
**Youth Night:** March 25 - Norval Park church of Christ, Zanesville, OH 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
**Youth Rally:** April 12 & 13, hosted by Sunrise church of Christ at Wood County 4H Camp



**WTAP- Sunday, 7:30am**

**March 3 - We Need God Again**  
**March 10 - What God Wants For Me**

**OUR GROWTH FOR 2024**

Baptisms.....4  
 Request for prayers, Restore.....0  
 Placed Membership.....0

Our Record	Feb. 25	Average 2024
Sunday AM Worship	130	137
Sunday Bible Class	109	114
Sunday PM Worship	106	96
Wednesday Bible Class	93	99

**SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS**

SUNDAY AM	Mar. 3	Mar. 10
Announcements	West	Hamm
Song Leader	T. Jones	McIntire
Opening Prayer	Clark	Cox
Scripture	C. Miller	Kerns
Lord's Supper	D. Jones	De. Miller
Usher - Auditorium	Duncan	Houser
Usher - Foyer	Vaughan	Kidder
Usher - Security	Merrill	Ferrebee
P.A. System Audio	J. Aites	McHenry
P.A. System Video	Lyons	T. Jones
Pick up cards	Cook/Vaughan	Miller/Miller
Pick up cards	Miller/Miller	Duncan/Duncan
Door Greeters	Ullom	Sailor
SUNDAY PM	Sun. PM	Sun. PM
Announcements	Butterfield	Duncan
Song Leader	T. Jones	McIntire
Opening Prayer	Hinzman	Heaney
Scripture	Smith	West
Closing Prayer	Hoschar	Da. Miller
Lord's Supper	Cox	Dean
Door Greeters	Egnor	Merrill
WEDNESDAY	Mar. 6	Mar. 13
Announcements	Butterfield	Duncan
Song Leader	Vaughan	Ja. Eaton
Opening Prayer	Butterfield	Duncan
Invitation	M. Aites	Egnor
Door Greeters	Da. Miller	Aites

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)

## 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  
Lana McFee  
Marvin & Joan Petty  
Sharon Pugh  
Pam Sailor  
Leonard Shears  
Mary Rose Talbott  
Barb Walker

### Family & Friends

Cindy Fox-Bell (*Dickson*)  
Wilda Clark (*Clark*)  
Caren Edwards (*M. Grose*)  
Pat Morris (*Long*)  
David Rice (*Heaney*)  
Mark Riddle (*Riddle*)  
Jeff Romine (*Egnor*)  
Gary & Loretta Sawyers (*Shockey*)  
Brian Sims (*Smearman*)  
Elsie Smith (*May*)  
Brent West (*West*)  
Steve Wilson (*J. Petty*)

# Remember In Prayer

**Dave Butterfield** was admitted to the hospital on Wednesday with severe leg pain. He was able to go home on Thursday. He will need to look at getting a knee replacement.

**Becky Petty** was taken to the hospital on Wednesday with breathing issues. She was admitted to Camden Clark and was hoping to be home by the weekend.

**Cameron Coffman** and his family are in need of our prayers. Cameron is the young man that attends with Dennis and Pat Miller.

**Billy Dailey**, cousin of Parma Heaney, suffered a stroke and is Marietta Memorial Hospital.

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## YOUTH

**Monday Night Merge**: The next session of Monday Night Merge will be tomorrow at the Rockport congregation in at 7:00 pm. Any youth needing transportation, please let C.J. Vaughan know.

**Youth Rally**: Our annual Youth Rally will be March 15 & 16. The speaker for the weekend is Matt Cook. There are flyers and registration forms on the table in the foyer. All youth who are attending need to fill out a registration form and turn it in to the office. Friday, March 15th will begin at 7:00 pm. Saturday, March 16th will begin at 9:00 am, there will be a light breakfast served from 8:30 - 9:00 am, lunch will be served at noon.

**Formal Night/Prom Alternative**: May 4th there will be a formal night for grades 9th - 12th in our MPR. There are flyers and registration forms on the table in the foyer. These can be turned in to Mandy Kupfner or Megan Duncan.

# 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 - "A Greater Commitment" PM - "The Old And Young Prophet"

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

**Baptisms**: We rejoice that two young men were baptized while attending CYC last weekend. Ty Dalton was baptized February 23rd by his grandfather, Ken Heaney. Aaron Grose was baptized February 24th by his father, Kevin. Aaron was baptized when he was younger and felt he needed to be baptized again to make his calling and election sure. Be sure to congratulate these young men.

**Ladies Class**: Our monthly ladies class will begin tomorrow night, March 4th at 7:00 pm. We will be studying on women in the Bible. Please meet in classroom two.

**Evangelism Workshop**: Our monthly Evangelism Workshop will meet tonight at 5:30 pm in the MPR. This is a good work, we encourage more to attend.

**Love & Care**: We are responsible for the services at Love & Care today at 2:30 pm and Thursday, March 7th at 7:00 pm. Any men who would like to help with these services, please sign the list in the foyer. Everyone is welcome to attend these services and encourage the residents of Love & Care.

**Mission Trip**: Seven of our members will be going on a mission trip to Panama March 21st. If you would like to help with this trip you can write a check to North End church of Christ and write 'Panama mission trip' in the memo line.

### Elders

Mark Berry  
Kevin Grose  
David Hamm  
Randy Meredith  
Harvey West

### Elder Meetings

March 4th - 4:00 pm  
March 17th - 5:00 pm

### Deacons

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

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### Today's Scripture

AM ~ Galatians 2:20

PM ~ 1 Kings 13:20-22