

# NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

**October 20, 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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## SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

<b>SUNDAY AM</b>	<b>Oct. 20</b>	<b>Oct. 27</b>
Announcements	West	Grose
Song Leader	Smith	T. Jones
Opening Prayer	Meredith	D. Jones
Scripture	Kerns	Mathers
Lord's Supper	Ferrebee	Berry
Usher - Auditorium	Duncan	Houser
Usher - Foyer	Heaney	Kirby
Usher - Security	Vaughan	C. Miller
P.A. System Audio	D. Jones	Ja. Eaton
P.A. System Video	Cook	Heaney
Pick up cards	Miller/Vaughan	Duncan/Vaughan
Pick up cards	Duncan/Ware	Miller/Drummond
Door Greeters	Batton/Miller	Long
<b>SUNDAY PM</b>	<b>Sun. PM</b>	<b>Sun PM</b>
Announcements	Ullom	Vaughan
Song Leader	Smith	T. Jones
Opening Prayer	T. Jones	Clark
Scripture	Hinzman	Da. Miller
Closing Prayer	Da. Miller	Hoschar
Lord's Supper	Kidder	Lyons
Door Greeters	Merrill	Ferrebee
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Oct. 23</b>	<b>Oct. 30</b>
Announcements	Ullom	Vaughan
Song Leader	Ja. Eaton	Devotional
Opening Prayer	Ullom	Devotional
Invitation	Da. Miller	Devotional
Door Greeters	Egnor	Dalton

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, they are the same for PM & Wed.


**SERVING IN THE MILITARY**  
**Logan Cascell** (grandson of Mark & Liz Berry)  
**Chance Gordon** (grandson of Ken & Parma Heaney)  
**Chandler Hamilton** (grandson of Jeff & Mary Smearman)  
**Allen Hardbarger** (nephew of Ruth Dickson)  
**Tyler Lipscomb** (grandson of Jeff & Mary Smearman)  
**Nicholas Linville** (grandson of Jim Kerns)  
**Andrew Miller Jr.** (grandson of Curtis Dickson)  
**Nate Ruble** (son of Patty Ruble)

## AREA EVENTS

**West Virginia School Of Preaching 30th Lecture-ship:** Oct.20-24  
**Marriage Seminar:** Oct 21-24, Lubeck Church of Christ, Speaker: Glenn Colley,  
**Gospel Meeting:** Oct 27-30, Oakwood Rd. Church of Christ, Fairmont, WV, Speaker: Peter Ray Cole  
**Gospel Meeting:** Oct. 27-30, Elkview Church of Christ, Elkview, WV Speaker: Harry Summers  
**Men's Day:** Nov. 2, Pine Grove Church of Christ, Scott Depot, WV, Speaker: Skip Andrews, 9:30 am  
**Gospel Meeting:** Nov. 3-7, Chester Church of Christ, Chester, WV, Speaker: Hiram Kemp  
**Gospel Meeting:** Nov. 10-14, Harmar Hill Church of Christ, Marietta, OH, Speaker: Roger Rush  
**SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**Area Wide Sings**  
**Oct. 25** – Lower Salem Church of Christ, Lower Salem, OH , 7:00 pm  
**Oct. 28** - Monthly Sing at Love and Care 7:00 pm

**Youth Events**  
**Traveling Youth Group:** Oct. 27, Dewey Ave. Church of Christ, St. Mary's, WV, 5:00 pm  
**Youth Rally:** Nov. 16, Lubeck Church of Christ, Speaker: Peter Ray Cole, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

  
**WTAP- Sunday, 7:30 am**  
**Oct. 20 - What The Bible Says**  
**Oct. 27 - What The Bible Doesn't Say**

**OUR GROWTH FOR 2024**  
 Baptisms.....13  
 Request for prayers, Restored.....10  
 Placed Membership.....3

Our Record	Oct. 6	Average 2024
Sunday AM Worship	134	141
Sunday Bible Class	91	112
Sunday PM Worship	98	103
Wednesday Bible Class	98	102

## MISSIONS

**North End Panama Mission**

**Andy Robison**  
 West Virginia School of Preaching

**Jon Hescht**  
**Aidan Klingler**  
 West Virginia School of Preaching

**Chris Haguewood**

**Search TV**  
 Edmond, OK

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**Mike Tinch**  
 Seth, WV

**Aldrin Peter Anson Paul**  
 India

"Churches can become places of cynicism, resistance, and pessimism." – John Ortberg

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." – Helen Keller

How we view things can make a profound difference in the outcome. It is amazing how many folks live their lives as pessimists and cynics. Webster defines *pessimistic* as, "Having or showing a lack of hope for the future: expecting bad things to happen." A *cynic* is, "a person who has negative opinions about other people and about the things people do; especially: a person who believes that people are selfish and are only interested in helping themselves." Wow, talk about a depressing way to view life!

*Optimism* is defined, "a feeling or belief that good things will happen in the future: a feeling or belief that what you hope for will happen." Mr. Ortberg was quite accurate when he said that "churches can become places of cynicism, resistance, and pessimism." This is the same malady that the children of Israel dealt with long ago.

When spies were sent into the land of Canaan (Num. 13), we recall in the story that only two of the twelve brought back a good or optimistic report. It was Caleb who said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it" (Num. 13:30). The powerful voice of the pessimists said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we" (Num. 13:31).

This sounds all too familiar. We tell folks, "There are souls out there who are willing to obey the Gospel. They are looking, and as the Lord said, 'The fields are white unto harvest' (John 4:35)." But those pessimistic voices rise up and declare, "Folks are set in their ways. They are not interested in hearing the Gospel. It won't do any good to try to reach out to them."

The negative comments in the church today are like throwing a pale of water on a fire. Churches struggle to make any headway because there is frankly too much noise coming from the pessimists. Mind you, they may be a small minority, but too often they are allowed to derail any efforts to do good for the Master.

## Optimistic vs. Pessimistic

by Mark Aites

## Prayer List

### Our Members

Karen Blair

Nick Berry

Richard & Eva Cook

Curtis & Ruth Dickson

Sheila Eaton

Fran Egnor

Van & Ronnie Ferrier

Connie Kirby

Ethel Mathers

Helen May

Lana McFee

Greg & Randi Michael

Becky Petty

Joan Petty

Leonard Shears

Mark Shockey

Mary Rose Talbott

Jim Ullom

Barb Walker

### Family & Friends

Wanda Burks (*Malone*)

Dennis Cooper (*Cooper*)

Philip DeFreitas (*DeFreitas*)

John Elliott (*Dickson*)

Loretta & Neko (*DeFreitas*)

Kelly Poiani (*Ullom*)

Jeff Romine (*Egnor*)

Pat Rine (*Cooper*)

Gary & Loretta Sawyers  
(*Shockey*)

Brent West (*West*)

Jan Yoho (*Butterfield*)

Nazareth Church of Christ  
(*Hofmann*)

# Remember In Prayer

**Dave Butterfield** was admitted to Camden Clark Hospital last week due to an infection in his arm. He is receiving IV antibiotics. He is in room 405.

**Rita Cameron** had a stress test and heart catheterization. The stress test showed three areas of profusion but the catheterization was clear. She is being referred to Ohio State University Hospital.

**Connie Cox** is at Waterview Pointe in Marietta, room 513. She is undergoing physical therapy. The address there is 117 Bartlett Street, Marietta, OH 45750

**Jeanette Dyer** was able to be discharged from the hospital on Wednesday and is home recuperating.

**Connie Kirby** had an echocardiogram last week that showed a leak, but it is not critical. She will be doing check-ups every six months.

**Ethel Mathers** is now under hospice care. Please keep her and Gary in your prayers.

## ~~~~~ **North End's Ministers**

Dave Butterfield has written biographies on all of the located ministers at North End. We will feature one of our former ministers each week.

L. Douglas LaCourse - 1918-2014

Served North End - 1949-1951

Leonard Douglas LaCourse was born in Canada in 1918. Doug was our located preacher from 1949-1951. Doug then served the church in South Charleston, West Virginia from 1951-1954. His radio program was helpful in founding of the church in Craigs ville, West Virginia. He held many meetings in southern West Virginia in the late 1950's. He died in 2014 and is buried along with his wife in the Florida National Cemetery.

# 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 sermons for today are: AM: "The Road To Apostasy", PM: "They Are Again Entangled"

**Opportunity Cards:** Group Three will pick up opportunity cards today.

**Help Needed:** Your help is needed at Jimmy and Pam Sailor's house. Work needs done on the siding. If you can help, please meet Monday, October 21st at 9:00 am. See Kris Warne if you have any questions.

**Hurricane Relief:** If you would like to donate money to help those affected by the recent hurricanes, you can make a check out to North End Church of Christ and write 'hurricane relief' in the memo line. The elders will be sending this money out as soon as possible.

**Ladies Lunch:** All ladies are invited to meet for lunch on Friday, October 25th, at Mary B's on Garfield Avenue at noon.

**Trunk or Treat:** Our annual Trunk or Treat will take place Thursday, October 31st from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in our parking lot. You can decorate your car, dress up, and hand out candy to the neighborhood children.

Candy donations can be placed in the barrel in the foyer.

**Seated Exercise Class:** Stacy Miller is planning to start a class to help with strength and mobility. It will be a seated exercise class. It would be about 45 minutes and likely happen once a week on Sunday's before evening services. Anyone interested in participating, please sign the list on the table in the foyer.

**Home Missions:** On November 2-3, John Orr will be here to teach us more about the Home Mission Evangelism. We will meet on Saturday, November 2nd at 10:00 am. There will be two classes and lunch will be served at noon. There will be another class after lunch. John will preach for us on November 3rd for the morning and evening services and teach the adult Bible class in the auditorium. Our elders encourage everyone to attend.

## Elders

Mark Berry

Kevin Grose

David Hamm

Randy Meredith

Harvey West

## Elder Meetings

Oct. 20 - 5:00 pm

Nov. 4 - 4:00 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

Jim Ullom

C.J. Vaughan

## Minister

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## Secretary

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## Today's Scripture

AM ~ Jeremiah 8:5-12

PM ~ 2 Peter 2:20-22