

Church of Christ

534 Sixth Street
Marietta, Ohio 45750



May 11th – Wilford Wallace
May 12th – Ed Biehl, Lori Houser
May 14th – Kathy Bailey
May 16th – Grant Vernon
May 17th – Raelyn Dailey, Rhonda Hague,
Lindsay Morgan



May 11th – Gary & Cora Marshall
May 12th – T.J. & Erin Wells
May 13th – Darrell & Amy Hague

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Classes	9:00 A.M.
Worship	10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship	5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes	7:00 P.M.
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SCHEDULE May 18, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Todd Hague

SONG LEADER

AM: John Forshey
PM: T.J. Wells

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Darrell Hague
PM: John Dollison

PRAYER

AM: Harry Ogletree
Christian Bettinger
PM: George Goddard
Darrell Hague

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Greg Ludolph
PM: Nathan Deem

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.:
Jon Lane

Wednesday—May 21, 2025

OPENING PRAYER: Bill Deem

SONG LEADER: John Forshey

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Todd Hague

DEVO: Dennis Dye

CLOSING PRAYER: John Dollison

STATISTICS – May 4, 2025

Sunday Bible Class	75
Morning Worship	177
Evening Worship	75
Wednesday Classes	54
Contribution	\$3,440

OFFICE PHONE (740) 373-3240

CARE LINE (740) 373-3909

BIBLECALL (740) 651-2400 or (304) 420-2416

WEBSITE www.sawcoc.org (Please note that videos
from our sermons are available on our website)
PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK—Applesauce

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MINISTER

Bill Deem

ELDERS

Tom Eddy
Kurt Harrison
Todd Hague
Lloyd Westbrook

DEACONS

Mark Harris
Michael Morgan
Alan Ralston
Paul Jacoby
TJ Wells

Bill's Bytes

Today is a day unlike most others. Our culture, for many years now has set this second Sunday in May aside as “Mother’s Day.” It is a day for celebration for many, but for various reasons, it can be a difficult day for many others. Really, this is a microcosm of our lives here upon the Earth, isn’t it? Truly, it is my hope that today is a happy one for everyone, and to our Mom’s we certainly do wish a “Happy Mother’s Day,” and today we want to honor and thank you for the sacrifices you’ve made and the love that you’ve shared through the years with your children (whether they are now little or if they are adults).

The Word of God has a full catalog of the human experience, so therefore, we should expect that its tapestry is rich when it comes to motherhood. Some of them were good mothers, while a few of them were downright evil. Most of them were “mixed bags,” just like all of us. They did their best in a difficult world to support their family and to raise their children. As I am not a female, so I *cannot* be a mother, though I can relate to an extent to the triumphs and trials of motherhood, as empathy through human experience directs, it will never be at a perfect level.

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TODAY’S SERMONS

AM: The Holy Spirit: Spirit of Truth
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: John 16:12-14

PM: Attitudes Toward Jesus: Loving
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: Luke 7:41-50

SICK
Memorial: **Paul Jacoby** was in a car accident, **Don Badgley**
Joe Dailey was in the hospital and is now at home. He had his first procedure May 7th.
Herma Eddy fell and has a fractured rib.
JD Conley, from the Harmar Hill church of Christ, fell and broke his collar bone.
Randy Nolan has been diagnosed with cancer.
Phyllis Johnson (Kathy Grimes’ aunt) is on Hospice.
Vern Reich is scheduled to have surgery May 14th in Cleveland.
Please keep **Lisa Westbrook Smith** and **Dean Thompson** in your prayers.

PRAYER LIST
Scott Hockenberry (friend of **Kirk & Sinda Isner**)
Sean Irrick (friend of **Gary & Janet Antill**)
Ralph Kehl (**Sue Biehl’s** brother)

MEN OF THE CONGREGATION

We are in need of men to teach the summer Sunday Adult Bible Class. The Theme will be “The Book of Judges”. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have any questions, please see **Michael Morgan**.

JUNIOR SUMMER SERIES

We are in need of volunteers to teach/help with the summer Wednesday night Junior Summer Series. *The Theme will be “The Many Names of Jesus”*. Please see the sign up sheets on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have any questions, please see **Michael Morgan**.

UPCOMING EVENTS - CONGREGATION

May 11th – 16th – Spring Gospel Meeting – East Cambridge church of Christ – Guest Speaker: **Brian Price**

May 12th – 15th at 7:30 p.m. – Gospel Meeting – Crum Ridge church of Christ – Guest Speaker: **Sam Bartrug**

May 19th-23rd 6:30-8:00 p.m. - Gospel Revival - Cambridge City Park - Guest Speakers: **Daniel Curry, “DJ”, Terry Townsend, Colton Ferrell, Phil Grear, John Keith**

May 30th at 7:00 p.m. – Friday Night Sing – Bridge Street church of Christ, New Martinsville, WV

Connect Conference – July 30th – August 1st – Crieve Hall church of Christ, Nashville, TN – Keynote Speakers: **Hiram Kemp, Justin Rogers, & Dan Chambers**

MEN

May 30th - 31st - Men’s Retreat - Guardians of Truth - Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp - Guest Speaker: **Donnie DeBord**

LADIES

May 17th 9:00 a.m. - Ladies’ Inspiration Day - Harrisville church of Christ (Ellenboro Town Building) - Guest Speaker: **Marsha Robison**

May 17th 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Ladies Inspiration Day – Blueville church of Christ, Grafton, WV – Guest Speakers: **Karen Tucker, Megan Currey, & Tanya Lanning**

Transformed – July 30th – August 1st – Crieve Hall church of Christ, Nashville, TN
*Flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

We are collecting monetary donations for the Women’s Care Center Baby Bottle Campaign. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please pick up one of the baby bottles on the table in the foyer. Please return baby bottles with your donation to the office by Sunday, May 18th. If you have any questions, please see **Paul Jacoby**.

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Below is a concise list of women who were mothers in God’s Word. May we honor their memories and learn from what little of their lives we have been told.

1. Eve: No biblical list of mother’s would be complete without Eve, whose name means “the mother of all living” (Genesis 3.20). As far as we can tell, Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit before they had children (though there are some who debate this). It is a tragic story. She was the vehicle through whom sin entered the world. The consequences that she suffered would have been unbearable. On a personal level, she lost her home and one of her sons committed fratricide. As she is the “mother of all living” all her children throughout the history of the world have either died or are dying. While we sometimes joke about Eve’s fateful decision in Genesis 3, it is truly no laughing matter. The world is now soaked in the curse of sin, and it has taken the death of the very Son of God to begin to reverse it. However, it is in the death of God’s Son, that even Eve has her hope (Genesis 3.15).

2. Sarah: Sarah’s story is also a tragic one. Unable to bear children, but was given the promise of being Mother towards the middle of her life. How long those years must have been between their departure of Haran and when she finally gave birth to her long awaited son. Like Abraham, she believed in God’s promise, but apparently they both were under the impression that they needed to make it happen. While we could judge them for such a mistake, it may be better to see their shortcomings of faith in us. We believe in God, but our inherent impatience tends to lead us into doing things to hurry the process. Often times, these lead to gross miscalculations, which leads to trouble for those around us and maybe even many who will come after us. Such was the case in Sarah’s life (Genesis 16 & 21).

3. Naomi: Here is a lady that often goes overlooked. Naomi and her family lived in Israel during the days of the Judges. In her life there was a famine that swept over Israel, and so she and her family became refugees in the land of Moab. At first things went well in Moab – her two sons were wed to Ruth and Orpah. But then tragedy struck. Her husband passed away in Moab, and sometime thereafter, both of her sons did too. At some point, she had heard that the

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famine in Israel was over, so she set off for home. Ruth and Orpah were determined to go with her – Naomi insisted they return to their own families, and to stay in the land they grew up in. Orpah did in fact return, but Ruth decided to go to Israel with Naomi, where she eventually bore a child, whom Naomi saw as her own grandson. Her grandson was the grandfather of Jesse, the father of David, in whose line the Messiah would come.

The list of women that we could have studied in the Bible is extensive. Time and space prevent us from going further. The common thread in the ones chosen today is “hope out of tragedy.” God gave a promise to Eve and to Sarah, and we see Him working to fulfill it in the family of Naomi. Our tragedies do not need to define us – but our faith in the God who upholds us and makes all things new certainly can.

--Bill

DEACON

Mark Harris is resuming his duties as a deacon. We thank **Mark** for being willing to apply his time and talents with the congregation.

YOUTH

OVCYC – Senior Week (June 15-20), Intermediate Week (June 22-27), and Junior Week (June 29-July 3) – Camp Barbe in Elizabeth, WV – ovcyc.com
September 26th-27th - 5th Annual Youth Rally - Sunrise church of Christ - Guest Speaker: **Lonnie Jones**

FERVENT FAMILIES EVENT

The next Fervent Families Event hosted by the Williamstown church of Christ, will be Saturday, May 17th at 1:00 p.m. at Discovery World. This is a free event. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

GRADUATE RECEPTION

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, May 18th, following the evening worship service for our graduate reception. We will be celebrating **Ben Deem** as he graduates from high school.

FUNERAL MEALS – LEADER NEEDED

We are in need of an additional leader for funeral meals. If you are interested, please let the office know.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Tyler Clovis's birthday	Darrell Hague's birthday	Robby Holdren's birthday	* Dennis & Kathy Dye * Russ & Marge Schramm	Judy Zetterberg's birthday	* John & Beverly Dollison Jon Lane's birthday Nancy Ward's birthday Stanley Bailey's birthday
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
* Gary & Linda Smith	Paul Jacoby's birthday		Owen Isner's birthday			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Wilma Cline's birthday	* Paul & Barbara Hickman Alan Stacy's birthday Barbara Eppley's birthday Linda Kirkbride's birthday	* Darrin & Kelly Gray	* Joe & Nancy Riggs Judy Jones's birthday	* Randy & Rhonda Feisley Harry Ogletree's birthday Jamie Edie's birthday	Carol Ware's birthday Traci Eddy's birthday	* Kevin & Brenda Kirkbride Lloyd Nesselroad's birthday
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
* Craig & JoAnn Legleiter * George & Jennifer Goddard * John & Kaitlyn Forshey			Darrin Gray's birthday	* Greg & Brenda Ludolph	Nancy Riggs's birthday Stephanie Clovis's birthday	Kace Hinton's birthday
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
	Jazlyn Baltzer's birthday					