#### **Church of Christ**

534 Sixth Street Marietta, Ohio 45750



#### **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.



May 26<sup>th</sup> – **Kathi Gerber** May 27<sup>th</sup> – **Anita Offenberger** May 29<sup>th</sup> – Susan Ellis, Mason Hall, Vivian Reich



May 27<sup>th</sup> – **Tyson & Crissy Brewer** 

#### SCHEDULE June 1, 2025

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tom Eddy

#### **SONG LEADER**

**AM:** John Forshev PM: Michael Morgan

#### WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Dennis Dye PM: Alan Ralston

#### **PRAYER**

Christian Bettinger

Randy Feisley Nathán Deem Adam Burkhart

**SCRIPTURE READER** 

AM: Owen Morgan Carter Brown

#### CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.:

Darrell Hague

Wednesday—June 4, 2025

**OPENING PRAYER:** Greg Ludolph

**SONG LEADER:** Jim Zetterberg

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Tom Eddy

**SS SPEAKER:** Andy Robison

**CLOSING PRAYER:** John Dollison

#### STATISTICS - May 11, 2025

Sunday Bible Class	90
Morning Worship	176
Evening Worship	74
Wednesday Classes	70
Contribution	\$3,242

### **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—The panty is well stocked at this time. Thank you for your donations.

May 25, 2025

Sixth and Washington Sts., Marietta, Ohio 45750...Office Phone (740) 373-3240



**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**

Faith stands at the very heart of our Christian journey. Hebrews 11:1 beautifully defines it: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." This verse anchors our understanding of faith as both tangible assurance and invisible conviction. It beckons us to trust in the unseen promises of God, laying a foundation for a life rooted in the truth.

Let's break down the words of this verse even more that we may come to a greater grasp of what faith actually is in accordance with the Word of God:

The word "substance" in Hebrews 11:1 conveys a foundation or a firm reality upon which hope is built. This suggests that faith is not a fleeting emotion or abstract thought but a solid, tangible assurance in the promises of God. This assurance is not based on human perception or evidence but rooted in the very nature and character of the Lord. The Psalmist echoes this in Psalm 18:2. declaring, "The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer," reinforcing that faith is grounded in God's unchanging reliability.

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#### **TODAY'S SERMONS**

**AM:** The Holy Spirit: The Teacher

Minister: **Bill Deem** Reading: I Cor. 2:12-13

PM: Attitudes Toward Jesus: Gratitude

Minister: **Bill Deem** Reading: Luke 17:11-19

#### SICK

Memorial: Junior Nolan

Cleveland: Vern Reich had surgery May

15<sup>th</sup>:

**Paul Jacoby** is recovering from a car accident.

**Becky Craig** had a procedure last week. **Joe Dailey** had his first procedure May 7<sup>th</sup>. **Herma Eddy** is recovering from a fractured rib.

**Phyllis Johnson (Kathy Grimes'** aunt) is on Hospice.

Please keep **Lisa Westbrook Smith** and **Dean Thompson.** in your prayers.

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Cathy Lenham (friend of Elsie Bowens)
Thomas Mahefkey (Darlene Ogletree's nephew)

Sarah Mayer & Casper, her 4-year-old son, has leukemia (friend of Jim & Judy Zetterberg)

#### **SYMPATHY**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Gertie Fryman**. Memorial services are incomplete at this time.

#### 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. Lesson outlines are available in the library. 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. Lesson outlines are available in the library. If you have any questions, please see Michael Morgan.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS - CONGREGATION**

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

June 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> – Gospel Meeting – Summerfield church of Christ – Guest Speaker: **Jeff Rich** 

#### 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

\*Flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.



#### **SUNDAY ADULT SUMMER SERIES**

Please join us Sunday mornings, June 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>, for the Adult Summer Series. The theme will be "*The Book of Judges*".



#### **WEDNESDAY SUMMER SERIES**

Our Annual Summer Series and Junior Summer Series begin June 4<sup>th</sup>. The theme will be "*The Many Names of Jesus*". Flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer and copies are available for you to invite friends and family.



#### **PANTRY**

Nine families received food from our pantry last month.

The panty is well stocked at this time. Thank you for your donations.

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The "evidence" described here is a spiritual conviction, an unwavering belief in things unseen. This challenges the natural human tendency to rely on visible proof and invites a deeper, spiritual perspective. Consider 2 Corinthians 5:7, "For we live by faith, not by sight." Faith bridges the gap between physical and spiritual. It enables us to perceive the reality of God's work even when it's hidden from worldly view.

Faith and hope are inseparable companions, and their interconnection is emphasized throughout Scripture. Romans 15:13 beautifully ties these concepts together: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Through faith, hope flourishes, providing strength in trials and joy in anticipation. Faith begins with hope—a confident expectation grounded in God's character and promises. This is demonstrated in Romans 8:24-25, which reminds us, "For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently." Faith enables us to navigate the unseen with patience, trusting God's sovereign hand.

Faith is inherently active; it demands demonstration through obedience and service. Hebrews 11 briefly records the lives of those whose faith transformed their actions—Abraham journeyed to an unknown land, Noah built the ark, and Moses led Israel out of Egypt. Their faith inspired bold actions, grounded in trust in God's guidance. Similarly, James 2:18 urges us, "Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds." True faith compels God's children to respond to His call with active devotion. Moreover, faith is evidence, a conviction about spiritual realities we cannot touch or measure. Through faith, we perceive God's hand in creation, as stated in Hebrews 11:3: "By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command." Like the heroes of faith listed in Hebrews 11, we too are called to live in faithful obedience, trusting that God's promises will come to fruition.

Faith also moves us action. James 2:17 challenges us: "Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by works, is dead." Genuine faith moves beyond mental assent, mani-

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festing in lives marked by love, service, and trust in Christ as God's Son, our Savior, Redeemer and King.

In sum, faith is the foundation, evidence, and motivating force of the Christian life. It is a gift from God, empowering us to trust in His promises, embrace spiritual realities, and act boldly in obedience. As disciples of Jesus, we are invited to build our lives on this foundation, anchoring ourselves in the hope and assurance of His eternal faithfulness. May Hebrews 11:1 continually inspire us to deepen our faith and live out its transformative power every day.

--Bill

#### **THANK YOU**

A thank you note is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Vern** & **Myra Reich** & **Family.** 

Have you thanked God for making butterflies lately?

"For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether hrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him." Colossians 1:16

Leave all cares in God's hands.

"God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you. He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus" II Thessalonians 1:6,8



#### **OFFICE HOURS**

The office will be closed tomorrow to observe Memorial Day.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	Tyler Clovis's birthday	Darrell Hague's birthday	Robby Holdren's birthday	* Dennis & Kathy Dye	Judy Zetterberg's birthday	* John & Beverly Dollison
				* Russ & Marge Schramm		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	* Darrin & Kelly Gray	* Joe & Nancy Riggs	* Randy & Rhonda Feisley	Carol Ware's birthday	* Kevin & Brenda Kirkbride
	Alan Stacy's birthday		Judy Jones's birthday	Harry Ogletree's birthday	Traci Eddy's birthday	Lloyd Nesselroad's birthday
	Barbara Eppley's birthday			Jamie Edie's birthday		
	Linda Kirkbride's birthday					
	Linda Kirkbride's birdiday					
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
* Craig & JoAnn Legleiter			Darrin Gray's birthday	* Greg & Brenda Ludolph	Nancy Riggs's birthday	Kace Hinton's birthday
* George & Jennifer Goddard					Stephanie Clovis's birthday	
* John & Kaitlyn Forshey						
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	Jazlyn Baltzer's birthday					
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