

Church of Christ

534 Sixth Street
Marietta, Ohio 45750



June 9th – Paul Jacoby
June 11th – Owen Isner – 1st Birthday



June 8th – Gary & Linda Smith

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 June 15, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kurt Harrison

SONG LEADER

AM: John Forshey
PM: Jim Zetterberg

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Albert Baltzer
PM: Paul Jacoby

PRAYER

AM: Harry Ogletree
Greg Cline
PM: Harvey West
Dennis Dye

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Adam Burkhart
PM: Nathan Deem

CONTROL ROOM AM/PM/Wed.:
Jon Lane

Wednesday—June 18, 2025

OPENING PRAYER: Joe Crone

SONG LEADER: T.J. Wells

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Kurt Harrison

SS SPEAKER: Luke Skelton

CLOSING PRAYER: Adam Burkhart

STATISTICS – June 1, 2025

Sunday Bible Class	95
Morning Worship	178
Evening Worship	75
Wednesday Classes	86
Contribution	\$3,736

OFFICE PHONE (740) 373-3240

CARE LINE (740) 373-3909

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

WEBSITE <https://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.

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June 8, 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

In Mark 9:24, we encounter the profound words of a desperate father: "*I believe; help my unbelief!*" These words capture the tension between faith and doubt, a struggle that we will face from time to time on our spiritual journey. As much as we wish it weren't, doubt is a natural part of being human. Yet it often leaves us feeling vulnerable, uncertain, and even isolated. However, through this powerful moment in Scripture, we are reminded that overcoming doubt is not about achieving perfect faith, but rather about turning to the source of faith itself—Jesus Christ.

The father in Mark 9:24 finds himself in a dire situation. His son is afflicted by a demon, suffering greatly, and he has been unsuccessful in finding anyone who can offer relief. How his hope must have been rekindled when he heard about Jesus! The father approaches Jesus and pleads for healing, admitting the wavering nature of his belief. His honest cry, "Help my unbelief!" resonates deeply because it is a transparent expression of faith intertwined with doubt. It teaches us that faith is not always unshaken certainty; it is often a journey that requires God's help to sustain and strengthen us.

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TODAY’S SERMONS

AM: The Holy Spirit: Husbandman
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: Galatians 5:22-23

PM: Not Saved Through Ritual
Minister: **Bill Deem**
Reading: Romans 4:9-12

SICK
David Carrel is recovering from shoulder surgery.
Walter Mincks and **Vern Reich** are recovering at home from surgery.
Becky Craig asked for prayers of the congregation as she is recovering from a procedure.
Joe Dailey is recovering at home. His next procedure is scheduled for July.
Phyllis Johnson (**Kathy Grimes’** aunt) is on Hospice.
Diane Anderson (**Russ Schramm’s** sister) is under hospice care in Searcy, Arkansas. Please keep her in your prayers.

PRAYER LIST
Karen Nixon
Junior Nolan
Jayden Pratt

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Alicia McIntyre** (**Herma Eddy’s** granddaughter). Memorial services were held yesterday.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **James Anderson** (**Russ Schramm’s** brother-in-law). Memorial services are incomplete at this time.

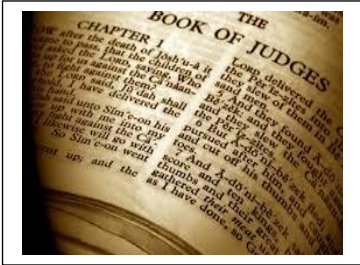
We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Bill Beck** (**Tammy’s** stepson). A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, July 12th at 2:00 p.m. at the Fearing Township Volunteer Fire Department.

OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP

Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp will be held at Camp Barbe in Elizabeth, WV:

Senior Week (June 15-20)
Intermediate Week (June 22-27)
Junior Week (June 29-July 3)

Flyers are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Applications are available in the foyer or online at www.ovcyc.com.



SUNDAY ADULT SUMMER SERIES

Please join us Sunday mornings through August 31st, for the Adult Summer Series. The theme will be ***“The Book of Judges”***. Thanks to **Harry Ogletree** for teaching today’s class. **Michael Morgan** will teach next week. His topic will be ***“Ehud and the Cost of Deliverance”*** – Judges 3:12-31.



WEDNESDAY SUMMER SERIES

Please join us for our Annual Summer Series and Junior Summer Series through August 27th. The theme is ***“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. **Mark Mason** will be speaking for the Adult Summer Series, June 11th. **Anita Offenberger & Becky Giffen** will teach the Junior Summer Series, June 11th. The topic will be Christ – Matthew 16:16 for both classes.

PANTRY

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Doubt, in itself, is not a failure. It often finds root from challenges, difficult and unanswered questions, or of course the pain we endure in life's trials. Yet, when we encounter doubt, we are presented with a choice: to turn away from God or to draw closer to Him. The father's plea to Jesus exemplifies the latter, showing us the importance of humility and dependence on God. By openly admitting his struggle, he opens the door for the change that only Christ can bring.

To overcome doubt with faith, we must remember the character and promises of God. Scripture repeatedly reminds us that God is faithful and loving. When doubt surfaces, it is essential to return to His Word, allowing it to permeate our hearts and dispel the shadows of uncertainty. And do not forget to pray! For it is a vital tool in navigating doubt. Like the father in our passage, we can bring our honest struggles before God, trusting that He hears us and responds to us.

The church community plays a significant role in this journey as well. As the children of God, we are called to bear one another's burdens and encourage each other in faith. Being a part of a supportive fellowship fosters a sense of belonging and mutual growth. We realize that we are not alone in our struggles and that our doubts can lead to greater understanding and trust in God. Ultimately, overcoming doubt is not about erasing all questions or uncertainties—it is about resting in the assurance that God’s power is made perfect in our weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9). Mark 9:24 reminds us of what Jesus said concerning faith and a mustard seed. We are not required to have much faith – because the emphasis is on the One we believe in, not upon us who believe. When doubt threatens to overshadow our belief, may we, like the father, cry out to the Lord, "Help my unbelief!" and trust in His unwavering love to guide us through.

In this truth, we find hope, courage, and peace. Let us take heart and embrace the journey of faith, knowing that God is always faithful, despite our doubts and misgivings.

--Bill

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Dorothy Wilkinson** at the birth of her third great granddaughter.

FRIDAY NIGHT SING

The 36th Street church of Christ will have a Friday Night Sing, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. There will be refreshments and fellowship following the sing.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **The Deem Family** , **Anita Offenberger**, and **Robby Holdren**.



POWER FOR TODAY

Copies of the July-August-September Power For Today are available in the foyer.



FERVENT FAMILIES

The next Fervent Families event will be Saturday, June 28th 2-4 p.m., at the Oak Grove Christian School. This is a free event hosted by the Williamstown Church of Christ. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

DEACON ASSIGNMENTS*

Benevolence—**Paul Jacoby/Alan Ralston**
Building & Grounds —**T.J. Wells**
Education—**Michael Morgan**
Fellowship & Youth Activities—**Paul Jacoby**
Finance—**Alan Ralston**
Local Evangelism & Missions—**Alan Ralston/T.J. Wells**
Visitors—**Alan Ralston/All Deacons**
Worship—**Michael Morgan**
***Mark Harris**