

Those serving	Today	Next Sunday
Announcements	Austin Balon	Dennis Mount
Song Leader	Dennis Mount	Austin Balon
Opening Prayer	Paul Carpenter	Bob Mount
Lord's Supper (Prayer)	Britt Whitacre	Glenn Brose
Helper	Glenn Brose	TBA
Helper	Jonah Younker	TBA
Helper	Eric Balon	TBA
Closing Prayer	Austin Balon	Dennis Mount
Greeters	Dennis & Colleen	Glenn & Mary
Prayer Room	Dennis Mount	Bob Mount
Communion Preparation for December	Brittney & Angel	

Birthdays in November/December

Betsy Gillman 11/02	Wyatt Dean 12/04
Olivia Balon 11/03	Misty Rice 12/05
Colleen Mount 11/15	Joann Whitacre 12/07
Cheryl Irwin 11/25	Eric Balon 12/17
	Greg Ewing 12/19
	Angel Balon 12/26
	Faith Carpenter 12/28

Anniversaries in November/December

Dana & Toni Mount 11/11

Re-Birthdays in November/December

Becky Balon 11/28/2010	Eric Balon 12/17/2012
Dennis Irwin 11/11/1976	Toni Mount 12/19/1971

Attendance Record

Attendance last Sunday 21

Weekly Budget \$1,100.00

Pearl Street church of Christ

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Sunday Services

Bible class	9:30 AM
AM Worship	10:30 AM
PM Worship and Class	6:00 PM

Wednesday Service

Bible Study	7:00 PM
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Minister Paul Carpenter

November 29, 2015

Christ's Purpose

Ephesians 2:14-18

Welcome

We wish to welcome you to services at the Pearl Street church of Christ. If you are a visitor with us today, know that you are an honored guest. We invite you to join us each time we meet together for worship and Bible study.

Just A Thought

“An honest farmer was asked to dine with a gentleman, and there asked a blessing at table as he was accustomed to do at home. His host said jeeringly, ‘That is old fashioned; it is not customary nowadays for well-educated people to pray at table.’ The farmer answered that with him it was customary, but that some of his household never prayed over their food. ‘Ah, then,’ said the gentleman, ‘they are sensible and enlightened. Who are they?’ The farmer answered, ‘They are my pigs.’”

3000 Illustrations for Christian Service

Bible Quiz Time

What are we to never put in the way of a brother?

Today’s Bible Reading

Ephesians 2:14-18, English Standard Version.

“¹⁴For He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in His flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.”

Paul’s Portion

Many years ago in the United States the best way to get a message across the country was by stage coach. For a short period the stage coach was replaced by the Pony Express. The telegraph came on the scene and made the Pony Express obsolete. The telegraph itself was made pretty much obsolete with the invention of the telephone. The telephone was not impervious to usurpers, however, and it has been surpassed by the internet, and other modes of instant messaging. Who is to say what the future holds when it comes to methods of getting a message from sender to recipient. Perhaps there will come a time when we simply have to think a thought and it will be transmitted to someone. This would put a whole new spin on getting a wrong number. When looking at how message delivery has changed over the years it would be ridiculous for someone today to choose a stage coach, or even going back further, a runner to deliver an important message. It is not that we can’t run a telegraph wire across the prairie and send a message across it by morse code. We could very easily utilize this method of communication, but why would we when there are so much better ways? If someone would choose an outdated method he would be thought of as eccentric or crazy. Isn’t it odd then that there are those who want to go back to outdated spiritual methods. The outdated spiritual methods are not door knocking and Jule Miller filmstrips, though these may not be as effective as they once were. Rather, that which is outdated are those things that scripture itself decrees as outdated. There are those, for example, who want to claim new revelation, but in Jude 1:3 God declares this outdated. Others want to spout prophecy, but in Hebrews 1:1-2 God declares this outdated. Then there are a vast number of people who want to utilize spiritual gifts such as tongues, but in 1 Corinthians 13:8-12 God declares that these are outdated also. It is not that God can’t use any of these old methods, He simply has moved on. There may come a time when our civilization and technological advances crumble around us. If this happens we may have to go back to stage coaches and other primitive practices. This is not, however, a concern with things of God. God’s advances will never fail, and God will never go back to the ways that were a foreshadow of the things that have now come.

Take Note

We will not hold our fellowship meal and devotional for the month of December. Our next pot-luck will be January. The latest issue of "Our Daily Bread" is available to be picked up in the foyer.

Ohio Winter Lectures at Fishinger and Kenney church of Christ in Columbus will be January 29-30, 2016.

Robin Tholen is planning a mission trip to Panama. All those interested should speak with Robin.

Traveling

Many travelers for the Thanksgiving weekend and Libby's funeral services.

Address for notes.

Betty Whitacre: 12850 Gargonia Road, Mt Orab, Oh. 45154

Elma Jean Glass: 119 Mapleridge, Mt. Orab, Ohio 45154.

Congratulations

Congrats to Ashli (Smith) and Wes Martin on the birth of their daughter 11-27-15 - Addison Grace, 6 lb 8oz, 18in long.

Congratulations to Amber Johnson (Smith) on graduating from the Army Captains Career Course.

Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Week Forty-Eight: 2 Chronicles 15-29; Luke 8-10.

Just For Fun

Question: Which angel looked after Noah during the flood?

Answer: Michael the Ark Angel (Archangel).

Quiz Answer: A stumbling block or hindrance, Romans 14:13.

Illness and Prayer Concerns

The Covering Orphanage in Sierra Leone.

People of Paris, Mali, and all victims of terrorism.

Elma Jean Glass, tumor on spine.

Bob Mount, rehab for irregular heart rhythm.

Robin Tholen, possible food poisoning.

Brittany Ernst, recovering from elbow surgery.

Dennis Mount, back pain from accident.

Josh Balon, recovering from surgery on his knee.

Dorothy Pfister, Judy Mason's mother,

Bob Tholen, shingles as well as recovering from fall.

Junior Banks, severe blockage in his arteries.

Mary Banks, recovering from rotator cup surgery.

John Rellinger, Carol Banach's uncle, stage four pancreatic cancer.

Denise Scruggs, herniated disc.

Sharon Spagel, back surgery.

Cheryl Irwin, various health concerns.

Amber Knight-Bourge-manke, requests prayer.

Keith Howard, Angela's friend, stroke.

Steve Jordan, cirrhosis of the liver.

Clyde Wood, depression and health issues.

Earl Carpenter, spinal stenosis, Parkinsons.

Ben Back, kidney problems.

General poor health: Charlie Balon, Charlie Kessinger,

Ava Lee Turner, Carol Tyler

Life Issues: Banach family, Nathan Brady, Steve Jordan,

Carol Tyler, Wes Murphy, Zach Slack, Robin's co-worker's daughter.

Cancer: Don Cook, Goebel Craft, Hayden Cummings, Dottie Dysen,

Regina Feltner, Julie Hall, Marilyn Heichelbech, Linda King,

Valerie Powers, Shirley Thompson, Dorothy Trent, Roger Turner,

Betty Whitacre.

Family and friends of Elizabeth (Libby) Burdette in her passing.

Family and friends of Tim (Delphia Clark's nephew) & Sherry Couch,

and Brian Moore all three of whom were killed in an airplane crash.

Christ's Purpose
Ephesians 2:14-18

I. OBEDIENCE.

A. FULFILL ALL RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Matthew 3:13-17

B. DO FATHER'S WILL.

John 5:30

Luke 22:42

C. BE OBEDIENT

Hebrews 5:8-10

Philippians 2:8

II. BE A PRIEST.

A. UNIQUE.

Hebrews 5:5-6

Hebrews 4:14-15

B. EFFICIENT.

Matthew 27:50-51

Hebrews 7:26-28

C. ETERNAL.

Hebrews 6:20

Hebrews 7:23-24

III. SEEK AND SAVE.

A. SEEK AND SAVE LOST.

Luke 19:10

B. INTERCEDE.

Hebrews 7:25

C. CONQUER DEATH.

Romans 14:7-9

1 Corinthians 15:56-57