

| Those serving                   | Today          | Next Sunday    |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Announcements                   | Greg Tholen    | Glenn Brose    |
| Song Leader                     | Bob Mount      | Britt Whitacre |
| Opening Prayer                  | Josh Balon     | Dennis Mount   |
| Lord's Supper (Prayer)          | Glenn Brose    | Troy Murphy    |
| Helper                          | Paul Carpenter | Paul Carpenter |
| Helper                          | Austin Balon   | Eric Balon     |
| Helper                          | Troy Murphy    | Greg Tholen    |
| Helper                          | Dennis Mount   | Bob Mount      |
| Closing Prayer                  | Greg Tholen    | Glenn Brose    |
| Greeters                        | Glenn & Mary   | Britt & Joann  |
| Prayer Room                     | Josh Balon     | Dennis Mount   |
| Communion Preparation for April |                | Misty Rice     |

# Pearl Street church of Christ

330 Pearl Street, P.O. Box 380  
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## Birthdays in April

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Hunter Balon 4/02 | Dennis Mount 4/10 |
| Mary Brose 4/06   | Dana Mount 4/26   |

## Anniversaries in April

John & Marie Brooks 4/10

## Re-Birthdays in April

Cheryl Irwin 4/19/1987

## Attendance Record

Attendance last Sunday ..... 48

Weekly Budget ..... \$1,100.00

## Sunday Services

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

## Wednesday Service

|             |         |
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| Bible Study | 7:00 PM |
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Minister .... Paul Carpenter

April 5, 2015  
Not Abandoned  
Acts 2:27

## 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

There was once a little girl whose home was near a cemetery. The shortest route to the store for the girl was to follow a path through the cemetery. The girl never seemed to have any sense of fear when taking this path, even when she returned through the cemetery at dusk. Someone once asked the girl, "Aren't you afraid to go through the cemetery?"

"Oh, no," she replied, "I'm not afraid, for my home is just on the other side."

Are you afraid of the cemetery? Many people are. They approach death with both fear and uncertainty. If you are a Christian, however, the cemetery holds no fear for you, for you know that your home is just on the other side.

It is because of Christ's conquering the cemetery that we can approach death with bravery and certainty.

Adapted from a piece from The Biblical Echo as included in 3000 Illustrations for Christian Service.

### Bible Quiz Time

Who did Mary think Jesus was when she saw Him in the garden after the resurrection?

### Today's Bible Reading

Acts 2:27, English Standard Version.

"<sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption."

### Paul's Portion

Today is Easter. For many it is a celebration of Jesus' victory over death as He rose from the tomb. For many others it is a celebration of brightly colored eggs and chocolate of various shapes and sizes. Still others simply see this day as a celebration of staying in bed a little longer. The question perhaps that should be raised is this, "How should this day be viewed?" We have Paul's words in Galatians 4:10 where he seems to be condemning the Galatians for placing more importance on some days. We, however, also have Paul's teaching in Romans 14:5&6 where he is saying that whether we esteem one day above another is our business as long as our motive is to honor God. Where then does that leave us as far as celebrating Easter? It is true that we are to celebrate Jesus' resurrection every day and especially on Sundays as we partake of the bread and fruit of the vine. Does this mean that we can not, or should not ever celebrate a little more than usual? I have a daughter. I love my daughter very much and, in a sense, every day I celebrate the fact that my daughter was born. Likewise, I have a wife who I love, and every day I celebrate that she is my wife. With both my daughter and my wife I also have a special celebration or recognition of the day that they each came into my life; my daughter's birthday and my wife and my anniversary. Celebrating my daughter's birthday or my wedding day does not in any way cause me to appreciate my daughter or my wife any less the other 364 days of the year. Why then do we think that it somehow lessens our appreciation of Jesus and our regular acknowledgment of His resurrection to celebrate Easter? Naturally, there are two things that we need to keep in perspective. If we are going to celebrate Easter it has to be in accordance with Paul's admonition in Romans 14. That is we must observe Easter with the right motive, bringing honor and glory to God. This means we focus on Christ and His resurrection; not baskets, candy, eggs or the bunny. Even if we ascribe religious meaning to these objects they distract from the event itself. Also, we must be sure that we do not celebrate the day. Even if, in contrast with Christ's birth, we have a pretty good idea of the actual day of Christ's resurrection it is the event not the day that we celebrate. So, happy Easter, and remember to celebrate it tomorrow as well.

### Take Note

Combined service for Diane & Ashli Carl will be Tuesday with visitation from 11-1 and the memorial service at 1:00. Services will be held at the Buford school. Sunrush church of Christ Spring Gospel Meeting, April 12-15, see notice on board. Ohio Valley University lectureship, April 12-15. The Communion preparation sign-up sheet for 2015 has been posted. May - December are still available. Genessee church of Christ youth rally, April 25-26.

### Congratulations

Congrats to Clark & Misty Rice on closing on a new house.

### Cards

James (Jim) Higgins, 3801 US 50, Hillsboro, OH 45133  
David & Brenda Higgins, 3765 US 50, Hillsboro, OH 45133

### Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Week Fourteen: Proverbs 25-31, Leviticus 1-10; Heb. 3-9.

### Just For Fun

Three buddies were discussing death, and one of them asked the others, "What would you like people to say about you at your funeral?"

One said, "I would like them to say about me, 'He was a great humanitarian, who cared about his community.'"

The second said, "I want them to say, 'He was a great husband and father, who was an example for so many to follow.'"

The third guy said, "I want them to say, 'Look, he's moving'"

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Because Jesus rose we will all be able to move after death.

Quiz Answer: The gardener, John 20:15.

### Illness and Prayer Concerns

The Covering Orphanage in Sierra Leone.

Sam Stubbs, cancer.

Hayden Cummings a 10 year old with longheran cell histyositis a rare type of cancer.

Josh Balon, continues to have health issues, and testing.

Charlie Balon, continues to have health problems.

Cheryl Irwin, various health concerns.

Dennis Irwin, recovering from issues with knee and leg.

Gregg Ewing, recovering from hernia surgery.

Eric Balon, shoulder.

Bob Tholen, cellulitis.

Nancy Tholen, broken rib and back problems.

Angel Balon, recovering from her surgery.

Bill Jones, broken ankle.

Jamie Whitacre, issues connected with his son's passing.

Martha Staton, testing.

Rose Mary Miller, waiting for test results.

Mary Herdman, biopsy.

Harold Keeney, heart and low sodium problems.

Lloyd Dickerson, heart health concerns, new medication.

Earl Carpenter, spinal stenosis, Parkinsons.

Ben Back, kidney problems.

Life Issues: Arn family, Banach family, Nathan Brady,

Sammy Keim, Wes Murphy, Robin's co-worker's daughter.

Cancer: Libby Burdette, Don Cook, Goebel Craft,

Dottie Dysen, Regina Feltner, Marilyn Heichelbech,

Linda King, Phil Knuff, Valerie Powers, Albert Poynter,

Shirley Thompson, Dorothy Trent, Roger Turner.

The Kessinger family in the death of Jamie Kessinger and the loss of their home in the fire.

Family and friends of Linda Stidham (family friend of the Banachs) in her passing.

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Acts 2:27

I. MUST NEEDS DIE.

A. NECESSARY.

Matthew 16:21

Luke 24:25-27

B. FOREORDAINED.

Acts 2:23

Luke 22:22

C. ANTICIPATED.

Matthew 20:17-19

John 2:18-22

D. MISUNDERSTOOD.

Matthew 26:60-61

Matthew 27:39-40

II. CORRUPTION, NO.

A. HADES.

Matthew 16:18

B. NOT ABANDONED.

John 11:39

Galatians 6:8

John 16:32

Hebrews 13:5

C. RESURRECTED.

Acts 2:29-32

Acts 13:28-37

III. LIFE TO SHARE.

A. FIRSTFRUITS.

Matthew 27:62-66

1 Corinthians 15:20-23

B. SHARE.

Romans 6:5

1 Thessalonians 4:14

1 Thessalonians 5:9-11

C. VICTORY.

1 Corinthians 15:54-57