

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

### Birthdays in October

Fay Lamb 10/05                      Angela Carpenter 10/30

### Anniversaries in October

Britt & Heather Dean 10/16

### Re-Birthdays in October

Gregg Ewing 10/25/2009              Judy Mason 10/30/1960

### Attendance Record

Attendance last Sunday ..... 24

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

Minister .... Paul Carpenter

October 18, 2015  
Jehoshaphat Trusts God  
2 Chronicles 20:1-30

## 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

“The ocean covers seventy-two percent of the earth’s surface to an average depth of 11,500 feet. It’s greatest depths are the Sigsbee’s deep, 13,200 feet, and Nares deep, 28,200 feet, in the Atlantic, and the Japan Trough, 29,136 feet, Tonga Deep, 30,132, and Nero Deep 31,614 Feet off the Island of Guam, in the Pacific. If Mount Everest were dropped into the Nero Deep, the water would still cover it by half a mile. If God graciously, for Christ’s sake, will pardon our sins and cast them into the depths of the sea (Micah 7:18,19), where even the penetrating rays discovered by Milliken cannot reach them, then we may rejoice in our freedom.”

J. M. in The Missionary Worker as quoted in 3000 Illustrations for Christian Service.

## Bible Quiz Time

What will be the fate of those who sin without the Law?

## Today’s Bible Reading

2 Chronicles 20:12, English Standard Version.

“<sup>12</sup>O our God, will you not execute judgment on them? For we are powerless against this great horde that is coming against us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.”

## Paul’s Portion

Is the church of Christ a cult? This accusation has been made. In order to answer this question we have to identify which church of Christ is being accused. The name “church of Christ” is not copyrighted or trademarked. Therefore, we have a wide variety of groups who call themselves the church of Christ, or have Church of Christ as part of their name. These groups range from the Church of Christ in Christian Union, to Church of Christ Disciples of Christ, to what is commonly referred to as the mainstream church of Christ, as well as numerous others. Thus, in all likelihood, there is a cult or two wearing the name “church of Christ”. Does the term “cult” apply to mainstream churches of Christ? To answer this question we need to look at what is a cult. The definition of a cult is “a system of religious veneration and devotion directed toward a particular figure or object.” Another source describes cults as “excessively zealous and unquestioning commitment to its leader and (alive or dead) regards his belief system, ideology, and practices as the Truth, as law.” ([www.csj.org/infoserv\\_cult101/checklis.htm](http://www.csj.org/infoserv_cult101/checklis.htm)) I have to admit that, based on these two definitions, the church of Christ fits. The church of Christ has complete veneration and devotion to Jesus Christ, believing that His teaching is the ultimate truth/law, and that following Him and His teaching is the only way to achieve eternal life in heaven. (John 14:6, Acts 4:12) The church of Christ also believes, as cults as well as every one else does, that it has the truth and sees error in the teachings of most other groups. Although, it does not claim, as cults do, to have complete, perfect understanding in everything. Any further similarities between the church of Christ and cultism are non-existent. Unlike cults, the church of Christ does not force membership; practice isolation, mind-alteration, depravation, elitism, rebellion, forced tithing, or profit making. Furthermore, unlike cults, the church of Christ has not had any new visions or revelations, since those of the Apostles (Jude 1:3), nor is it shrouded in secrecy. The church of Christ has one God - God the Father/Creator, one head/leader - Jesus, one teaching - the Bible, one goal - please God, one job - teach others from the Bible, one baptism - water immersion, and one hope - eternal life in heaven with God and Jesus. (Ephesians 4:4-6) The church of Christ is not a cult!

## Take Note

Gospel Meeting Oct. 18-21 at the Sunrush church of Christ.  
Fishinger & Kenny church of Christ is hosting a seminar  
October 24th, see flier on Bulletin board.  
Next Sunday will be our monthly fellowship meal and  
devotional following morning services.  
Robin Tholen is planning a mission trip to Panama. All  
those interested should speak with Robin.

## Traveling

Pat & Ginger are in Michigan City, Indiana.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Serah Whitacre for taking 1st place in the female  
division and 2nd place overall last Saturday in the Georgetown 5K run.

## Address for notes.

Betty Whitacre: 12850 Gargonja Road, Mt Orab, Oh. 45154  
Elma Jean Glass: 119 Mapleridge, Mt. Orab, Ohio 45154.

## Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Week Forty-Two: 1 Samuel 1-18; Ephesians 3-6, 2 Peter 1-3.

## Just For Fun

A minister calls this his football theology:

Draft choice: Selection of a pew near to (or away from) air-  
conditioning vents.

Bench-warmer: In-active member.

In the pocket: Where too many Christians keep their tithes.

Fumble: Lousy sermon.

Two-minute warning: Deacon in the front row taking a peek at his  
watch in full view of the preacher.

The best Ever Book of Good Clean Jokes

Quiz Answer: They will perish without the law, Romans 2:12.

## Illness and Prayer Concerns

The Covering Orphanage in Sierra Leone.  
Elma Jean Glass, tumor on spine.  
Ava Lee Turner, health slipping.  
Bob Mount seeing the doctor about heart murmur.  
Angel Balon, had a procedure on the 16th.  
Aubrey Pack, problem with legs.  
Britt Whitacre, having issues with his throat.  
Greg Tholen, problems with his stomach.  
Debbie Turner, waiting for test results.  
Josh Balon, problems with his knee.  
Olivia Balon, hurt her ankle.  
Jason Baker, heart attack, stent put in.  
Sharon Spagel, back surgery.  
Charlie Balon, continues to have health problems.  
Cheryl Irwin, various health concerns.  
Austin Godbey, recovering from car accident.  
Paul Michaelson, angioplasty, stent put in.  
Keith Howard, Angela's friend, stroke.  
Steve Jordan, cirrhosis of the liver.  
Charlie Kessinger, failing health.  
Clyde Wood, depression and health issues.  
Earl Carpenter, spinal stenosis, Parkinsons.  
Ben Back, kidney problems.  
Life Issues: Banach family, Nathan Brady, Steve Jordan,  
Sammy Keim, Wes Murphy, Zach Slack, Robin's co-worker's  
daughter.  
Cancer: Libby Burdette, Don Cook, Goebel Craft,  
Hayden Cummings, Dottie Dysen, Regina Feltner,  
Marilyn Heichelbech, Linda King, Valerie Powers,  
Shirley Thompson, Dorothy Trent, Roger Turner,  
Betty Whitacre.  
Family and friends of Shirley Yoho, Mary Brose's Aunt, in her  
passing.  
Brose family and friends in the passing of Billy Brose

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I. THE THREAT.

A. A MULTITUDE.

2 Chronicles 20:1-2

B. THE WORLD.

1 John 3:13

John 15:19

C. SATAN.

Job 1:7, 2:2

1 Peter 5:8

James 4:7.

II. THE ACTION.

A. FEAR.

Genesis 3:10

Mark 14:50

B. CRIED OUT.

2 Chronicles 20:3-4

2 Chronicles 20:9

2 Chronicles 20:12

Psalms 34:17

Psalms 116:1

Psalms 121:1-2

Proverbs 15:29

Hebrews 4:16

C. UNIFIED.

2 Chronicles 20:13

2 Chronicles 20:18-19

Acts 4:23-30

III. THE OUTCOME.

A. RESIST FEAR.

2 Chronicles 20:14-15

2 Chronicles 32:7-8

1 John 4:18

B. GOD FIGHTS.

2 Chronicles 20:17

Exodus 14:10-14

Matthew 10:19-20

1 John 4:4

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

C. GOD WINS.

2 Chronicles 20:20

Hebrews 11:6

2 Chronicles 20:24

2 Chronicles 20:27

2 Chronicles 20:29