

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

Birthdays in September/October

Greg Tholen 9/02	Fay Lamb 10/05
Melvin Lamb 9/12	Angela Carpenter 10/30
Diane Simpson 9/13	
Hillary Yost 9/13	
Ava Lee Turner 9/16	
Josh Balon 9/28	
Reagan Tholen 9/29	

Anniversaries in August/September/October

LeLand & Ellen 9/4	Britt & Heather Dean 10/16
Troy & Jean 9/24	

Re-Birthdays in August/September/October

Josh Balon 9/28	Gregg Ewing 10/25/2009
	Judy Mason 10/30/1960

Attendance Record

Attendance last Sunday ..... 31

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

September 27, 2015  
Confess  
Romans 10:9-10

## 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 are certain qualifications we must have if we would be used of God. These qualifications do not include great learning, genius, riches, executive ability, and other similar assets that many of us will never have. Paul had told us, by inspiration, just what they are. D. L. Moody is quoted in the Keswick Calendar as follows: ‘Paul sums up five things that God uses: ‘the weak things,’ ‘the foolish things,’ ‘the base things,’ ‘the despised things,’ and ‘the things which are not.’ When we are ready to lay down our strength and our weakness before the Lord, He can use us.”

Sunday School Times, in 3000 Illustrations for Christian Service.

### Bible Quiz Time

How long did the women under go “beauty treatments” before they went before King Ahasuerus (or Xerxes) to see which he would choose to replace Queen Vashti?

### Today’s Bible Reading

Romans 10:9-10, English Standard Version.

“because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.”

### Paul’s Portion

What does it mean to be a Christian? Of course the most basic understanding is that a Christian is a disciple of Christ, “in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians,” Acts 11:26. This then begs the question, “What is a disciple of Christ?” Some believe that being a disciple of Christ simply means that you believe in Christ. Others take it a step further and say that a disciple is one who believes in Christ and invites Him into their heart. Many say a Christian is one who goes to church. However, there is the old adage that going to church makes you a Christian about as much as sitting in a garage makes you a car. There must be more to being a disciple than believing and going to church. The dictionary defines a disciple as “one who accepts and assists in spreading the doctrines of another.” This comes closer to what it means to be a disciple of Christ, or Christian. Many people I have heard speaking of what it means to be a Christian comment that Christians are to love God and love their neighbor, referencing Christ’s words from Matthew 22:37-39. Instead of looking at what the dictionary or what people say, why not see what Christ said? Christ outlined what constituted being His disciple, or a Christian, in His statement in Matthew 28:19&20. According to this passage Christ’s disciples are those who are baptized and taught to observe all that He had commanded. To observe all that He commanded is a tricky proposition. Some want to say that this only includes what is found in the four Gospel accounts. Paul, however, states that what he taught was from Christ, Galatians 1:12. If what Paul taught was from Christ than that would fall under all that He commanded. We could make the same argument for the letters of Peter and John. Too many people want to wear the name Christian while only following portions of the New Testament. Jesus’ own words show that this can not be the case. If we want to wear the name of Christian than we must adhere to all of Jesus’ teaching. We are to love God and love our neighbor, but we are also to take up our cross, deny ourselves, avoid the lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes and pride of life, along with a whole lot of other stuff. You can not be a partial Christian or a part time Christian. You are either all in or not in at all. The bottom line is that, to be truly Christian is to put Christ and His teachings first, period.

## Take Note

Monthly potluck and devotional will be this afternoon, and will be held at the shelter at the "Old School Park".  
Friday Night Singing at the Sunrush church of Christ Oct. 2.  
Young ladies, there will be a Spiritual "Boot Camp" October 3rd at the Fishinger & Kenney church of Christ.  
"Soul Sisters" October 3rd in Wilmington.  
Our annual Fall Festival will be October 10th and will once again be held at the property of Eric and Angel Balon.  
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.  
Robin Tholen is planning a mission trip to Panama for sometime next June. All those interested in participating in this trip should speak with Robin.

## Cards

There are cards for Betty Whitacre and Libby Burdette on the table in the back. We are asking people to sign the cards and add a joke or something to lift the spirits.

## Address for notes.

Elma Jean Glass will be staying with her daughter Liz:  
119 Mapleridge, Mt. Orab, Ohio 45154.

## Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Week Thirty-Nine: Ezekiel 8-23; John 10-13.

## Just For Fun

A Sunday School class was learning about the Good Samaritan. To make the story vivid to the children, teacher told the story in detail, describing how the Samaritan was beaten, robbed, then left for dead. Then she asked the class what they would do if they saw someone on the side of the road, beaten and all bloody. A little girl quietly replied, "I think I'd throw up." From the Internet

Quiz Answer: Twelve months, Esther 2:12.

## Illness and Prayer Concerns

The Covering Orphanage in Sierra Leone.  
Betty Whitacre, Britt's mom, cancer of pancreas, liver and lung, seeing specialist on Monday.  
Bob Mount, three stents installed, weakened heart.  
Ava Lee Turner, health slipping.  
Britt Whitacre, having issues with his throat.  
Greg Tholen, problems with his stomach.  
Debbie Turner, waiting for test results.  
Josh & Becky, efforts to make a home for two boys.  
Evan Steed, had tubes put in his ears.  
Sharon Spagel, back surgery.  
Libby Burdette, pneumonia, treatment trial for her cancer.  
Charlie Balon, continues to have health problems.  
Cheryl Irwin, various health concerns.  
Paul Michaelson, angioplasty, stent put in.  
Keith Howard, Angela's friend, stroke.  
Steve Jordan, cirrhosis of the liver.  
Don Cook, stomach cancer, melanoma.  
Charlie Kessinger, failing health.  
Clyde Wood, depression and health issues.  
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: 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.

Confess  
Romans 10:9-10

I. CONFESS WITH MOUTH.

A. TO CONFESS.

1 John 1:9

Mark 1:23-24

John 6:68

B. SPEAK CONFESSION.

Ecclesiastes 3:7

Philippians 2:9-11

Hebrews 13:15

C. CONFESS TO POWER.

Matthew 16:13-18

II. CONFESS WITH HEART.

A. NOT ENOUGH TO CONFESS WITH MOUTH.

Matthew 15:7-9

B. TRUE CONFESSION.

1 John 4:2

1 John 4:15

C. CONFESS DESPITE FEAR.

John 9:22

John 12:42-43

III. CONFESS TO SAVE.

A. SOME CONFESS NOT.

Matthew 10:33

1 John 2:22-23

1 John 4:3

2 John 1:7

B. HOLD TO CONFESSION.

Hebrews 4:14-16

C. CONFESS TO BE CONFESSED.

Matthew 10:32

1 Timothy 6:12

John 14:1-3