

Those serving	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
Announcements	Glenn Brose	Paul Carpenter
Song Leader	Dennis Mount	Bob Mount
Opening Prayer	Paul Carpenter	Dennis Mount
Lord's Supper (Prayer)	Bob Mount	Glenn Brose
Helper	TBA	TBA
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Helper	TBA	TBA
Closing Prayer	Glenn Brose	Paul Carpenter
Greeters	Paul & Angela	Dennis & Colleen
Prayer Room	Paul Carpenter	Dennis Mount
Communion Preparation for May	Betty Mount	

# Pearl Street church of Christ

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## Birthdays in April

Hunter Balon 4/02  
Mary Brose 4/06  
Dennis Mount 4/10  
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 ..... 26

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

## 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 513-375-9992 (cell)

April 24, 2016  
Christian Greeting  
Philippians 4:21

## 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

“O church of Christ, awake, awake,  
And arm thyself with His own power;  
The hosts of sin are striving hard  
To win the conflict of the hour.

O church of Christ, thy foes are great,  
The battle calls for strength divine;  
Omnipotence is thy defense,  
Let all its power, its strength, be thine.

Then seek through prayer the promised aid,  
The arm of flesh is sure to fail,  
But armed with God’s eternal power,  
The Church both must and shall prevail.

Then up, and to the battle’s front,  
Alert and eager for the fray;  
Strong in the strength of His great might,  
Stand fast and watch and fight and pray.”

3000 Illustrations for Christian Service

### Bible Quiz Time

What was Solomon’s other name?

### Today’s Bible Reading

Philippians 4:21, English Standard Version.

“<sup>21</sup>Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you.”

## Paul’s Portion

Baseball season is once more upon us. This means that all across the nation crowds of people will rise to their feet during the seventh inning stretch and belt out the words, “For it’s one, two, three strikes and you’re out at the old ball game.” At least one source credits the New York Knickerbocker Base Ball Club of Philadelphia, (Why the New York knickerbockers were in Philadelphia I don’t know), with establishing the rule of three strikes and you’re out in 1838. The three strikes and you’re out rule has over the years sent many a player back to the dug-out in disgrace. It has also caused many pitchers to be heralded as a hero. Any one who knows anything about baseball knows that there are basically two types of strikes; the swing and the miss, and the watching the ball go by. With the second type of strike it is up to the umpire to determine what is a strike and what is a ball. Over the years this has caused quite a few, shall we say, disagreements, but the umpire has the final say. To put a spiritual spin on all of this we can say that when we sin it is like getting a strike. There are also basically two types of spiritual strikes. There are the strikes when we swing, that is when we sin by doing something. Then there is also the watching sin, that is when we should have done something, but didn’t. With both of these types of sin there are people who will argue over whether their actions were actually sins. It is probably of these that Isaiah speaks in 5:20 saying they call evil good and good evil. However, just as it doesn’t matter what the batter thinks it is the umpire that makes the call, it doesn’t matter what people think it is the Lord that makes the call. You could say that God is the great Umpire for the game of life calling sin sin. There is one big difference with God as our umpire, and it pertains to the three strikes and you’re out rule. With God it is more like some pee wee games that I have seen, unlimited strikes. God is a forgiving umpire. If we admit our strikes and ask for forgiveness He is gracious and forgives us our strikes, no matter how many we have. As John stated “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9. Try that with the umpire at your next baseball game and see how far it gets you.

## Take Note

Next Sunday evening will be our song service.  
COMMUNION PREPARATION sheet still has openings.  
Ladies Inspiration Day, April 30th at the Central Avenue Church of Christ in Fairborn.  
Men's Spring Retreat at Fort Hill, May 13-14.  
Potter's Children Home in Bowling Green is collecting commodities, see flyer. Please let Paul know if you are planning to contribute, as he needs to set up the drop-off.  
Anyone desiring to receive a free subscription to "The Christian Chronicle" write your information on the form found on the table in the back.

## Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

The New Testament in 13 Weeks.

Week Twelve: 1 & 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude.

## Addresses For Notes.

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

## Just For Fun

Struggling to make ends meet, the pastor was livid when he confronted his wife with the receipt for a \$250 dress she had bought. "How could you do this?!"

"I was outside the store looking at the dress in the window, and then I found myself trying it on," she explained. "It was like Satan was whispering in my ear, 'You look fabulous in that dress. Buy it!'"

"Well," the pastor replied, "You know how I deal with that kind of temptation. I say, 'Get behind me, Satan!'"

"I did," replied his wife, "but then he said, 'It looks fabulous from back here, too!'"

Anonymous

Quiz Answer: Jedidiah, 2 Samuel 12:25.

## Illness and Prayer Concerns

The earthquake victims in Japan and Ecuador.  
Elma Jean Glass, tumor on spine.  
Mary Brose, blood clots and recovering from reconstructive surgery.  
Glenn Brose, awaiting biopsy on skin samples.  
Bob Mount, cataract surgery May 17<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.  
Betty Mount, hip problems.  
Dennis Mount, undergoing tests.  
Mel Lamb, shingles.  
John Carpenter, shingles.  
Junior Banks, severe blockage in his arteries.  
Marie Brooks, recovering from by-pass surgery.  
John Dayton, Paul's uncle, prostate cancer.  
Kristen, girlfriend of Christopher Banach, uterine cancer.  
Will Blankenbeckler, heart attack.  
Sierra Shields, member of church of Christ, missing in NY.  
Slack family, loss of home in a fire last week.  
Amber Knight-Borgemanke, anxiety.  
Steve Jordan, cirrhosis of the liver.  
Clyde Wood, depression and health issues.  
Earl Carpenter, spinal stenosis, Parkinsons.  
Ben Back, kidney problems.  
Shirley Walker, broken hips with complications.  
General poor health: Charlie Balon, Kay Gillis,  
Cheryl Irwin, Charlie Kessinger, Ava Lee Turner  
Life Issues: Banach family, Katelin J, Steve Jordan,  
Carol Tyler, Zach Slack, Robin's co-worker's daughter.  
Cancer: Goebel Craft, Hayden Cummings, Dottie Dysen,  
Regina Feltner, Marilyn Heichelbech, Julie Hull,  
Linda King, Abi Lykins, Donnie Pierson, Valerie Powers,  
John Rellinger, Don Alan Riggs, Shirley Thompson,  
Dorothy Trent, Roger Turner.

Christian Greeting  
Philippians 4:21

I. GREET.

A. MEANING.

Basic - To salute or welcome in a friendly and respectful way with speech or writing, as upon meeting or in starting a letter.

B. OFTEN ENCOURAGED.

Romans 16

1 Peter 5:14

3 John 1:14

C. SINCERE.

1 Peter 2:1

II. SAINTS.

A. CHRISTIANS.

1 Corinthians 1:2

Romans 16:15-16

Acts 9:13

B. OTHERS.

Matthew 5:47

Matthew 10:11-12

C. NOT THESE.

Luke 10:4

2 John 1:10-11

III. IN CHRIST.

A. WHO.

Romans 8:1

Romans 12:5

2 Corinthians 5:17

1 Peter 5:14

B. HOW.

Romans 16:22

1 Corinthians 16:19

C. STATE OF BEING.

Romans 16:3