

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

Birthdays in June

LeLand Pennington 6/07	Ginger Back 6/26
Brittney Balon 6/17	Robin Tholen 6/26

Anniversaries in June

Bob & Betty Mount 6/06	Josh & Becky Balon 6/15
Glenn & Mary Brose 6/06	Eric & Angel Balon 6/18

Re-Birthdays in June

Brittney Balon 6/18
Colleen Mount 6/22
Faith Carpenter 6/23

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
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June 4, 2017
Christ's Simplicity
2 Corinthians 11:3

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

A preacher once retired from full time pulpit work because of a very painful malady. As he sat nursing his pain, he thought about the prayer of a blind man: "Lord, I have never thanked you for my 'thorn'. I have thanked you for the roses, but never for the thorn. Help me realize the value of the thorn. Help me realize the glory of the cross; the value of climbing to you through pain."

Feeling ashamed, the preacher prayed, "Lord forgive me for my selfishness. Thank you that my condition is not worse. Make me an instrument of help and comfort to those who are in a far worse condition."

That day, that prayer changed his life. He could now see clearly the impact of 1Thessalonians 5:18. "In everything give thanks..." Did you ever thank God for a storm? For a forest fire? Good comes out of every situation of life. Look for the good instead of mourning over what appears to be bad. "All things work together for good to them that love God..." Romans 8:28

John Wright

Weekly Memory Verse

John 14:6, "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"

Bible Quiz Time

Of what material was the Altar of Incense constructed?

Today's Bible Passage

2 Corinthians 11:3, King James Version.

"³But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."

Paul's Portion

"I love my church!" I saw this on a church marquee the other day. As I thought about the sign, I wondered what exactly they meant by the statement. That is after I got over my knee jerk legalistic reaction of drawing offense at the phrase "My church." It is not to be "My church" or their church, it is to be Christ's church, (Matthew 16:18). I realize that most people simply mean the church where they attend worship when they use this phrase, but it still irks me a little. Of course this brings up the other issue of people using church to refer to the meeting place and not the people meeting there. The New Testament's majority use of the word "church" is for the people not the place (Matthew 18:17, Colossians 4:15 etc.). Which gets me back to my original pondering; what did they mean when they said that they loved their church? Perhaps by "church" they were referring to the people who met there for worship. It would certainly be commendable, and scriptural, for fellow believers and joint congregants to love each other. Unfortunately, amongst the attendees, there exists in many congregations animosity or indifference rather than love towards each other. Yet, this is the meaning that Paul had when he wrote that Jesus loved the church (Ephesians 5:25). Christ doesn't love the building, the upholstery, the stained glass windows, or any other physical aspect; what Christ loves is the soul of each member of His church. This is the love for church that He would like to see His people displaying today. If we are going to say that we love our church as Christ loved His church we must also examine how we love. Paul stated that Christ loved the church such that He gave Himself up for her. (Eph. 2:25) If we truly love our church then we also will be willing to give ourselves up for her. Naturally, to love the church is to place its needs before and above our own. To love the church is to work for the benefit of the church as a whole, not individual's or clique's benefits. To love the church further means to stick by her side through the bad times as well as the good. This includes monitoring the health of the church and addressing any and all maladies. To love the church means to want to see it prosper and grow. It is nice to put it on the sign, but I wonder how many people really do "Love their church."

Take Note

Tonight will be our monthly service in song, please come participate as we praise our Lord in melodious sounds. There are still blank spaces on the communion preparation volunteer sheet. Please see where you can help. Ladies Retreat, Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp, June 9-10. Revival Tent Meeting, Highland church of Christ, July 16-28, on the old High School grounds. Singing July 28th, hosted by the Highland church of Christ, held at the old High School grounds. The latest "Our Daily Bread" is available in the foyer. June's Bible reading schedule is available in the foyer.

Sympathy

Prayers for Joe McCoy and family in death of her son.

Traveling

Austin Balon, Hunter Balon and Brittany Ernst in New York.

Just For Fun

The minister advertised for a man-servant and next morning a nicely dressed young man rang the bell. "Can you start the fire and have breakfast ready by seven o'clock," asked the minister.

"I guess so," answered the young man.

"Well, can you polish all the silver, wash the dishes and keep the house all neat and tidy?"

"Say, Reverend," said the young man, "I came here to see about getting married - but if it's going to be as much work as all that, you can count me out right now."

Quiz Answer: Acacia wood, and overlaid with gold, Exodus 30:1,3; 37:25.

Illness and Prayer Concerns

Nancy Shaffer, recovering from broken arm/elbow.
Ginger Back, health issues.
Debbie Turner, bronchitis.
Dennis Irwin, fractured toe with infection.
Linda Fleming, MS.
Elizabeth , suspicious lumps.
Joshua Batterton, fractured spine in a "turtle cast".
Charlene Wisecup copd
Clifford Kerns, lung and liver cancer
Dylan, infant with RH issues.
Madeline, Encephalitis.
Connie Whitmore, diabetes and cirrhosis of liver.
Todd Banach, recovering from snowmobile accident.
Clyde Wood, depression and health issues.
Earl Carpenter, spinal stenosis, Parkinsons.
Life Issues: Banach family, Steve Jordan, Zach Slack.
Broken Hip: Rod Lane, Gaylord Valentine
Headaches/Migraines: Angel Balon, Tim Slack
Kidney issues: Glenn Bishop, Ben Back,
Edward Michaelson, Dana Mount.
Recovering from surgery: Tim Cooper, Amber Johnson,
Mike Turner
Cardiac issues: Pauline Arledge, Jr. Banks, Jim Camp,
Bob Fleming, Jonda Hinzman, Ed Michaelson
General poor health: Charlie Balon, Kay Gillis,
Cheryl Irwin, Steve Jordan, Charlie Kessinger,
Mike Lucas, Dorothy Pfister, Pat Whitacre, Kim Bank's father
Cancer: Goebel Craft, Hayden Cummings, John Dayton,
Dottie Dysen, Regina Feltner, Marilyn Heichelbech,
Mellissa Jenkins, Linda King, Kristen, Cheryl Lapanese,
Abi Lykins, Keith Mayes, Jenna Mount's grandma,
Valerie Powers, Mary Sampson, Karen Smith,
Diane Spruance, Shirley Thompson, Dorothy Trent, Roger Turner

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I. LIFE.

A. BEGINNING.

Luke 2:7

Matthew 2:14

Matthew 2:23; Luke 2:51

Luke 2:41-50.

B. LIFE.

Matthew 8:20

John 19:23-24

C. DEATH

John 10:18

II. MINISTRY.

A. STYLE.

Luke 5:3; Matthew 5:1

Luke 4:16-21; Mark 1:21

Matthew 21:12-13

B. AUDIENCE.

Mark 12:37

Matthew 15:21-28; John 4:7-26; Luke 7:36-50

Luke 15:1-2; Luke 19:1-10

C. MESSAGE.

Mark 4:33

Luke 8:9-10

John 1:14,17

III. KEEP IT SIMPLE.

A. MESSAGE.

Matthew 23:4

1 Corinthians 2:1-4

2 Timothy 3:16

Deuteronomy 4:2; Revelation 22:18-19

Acts 2:39

B. STRUCTURE.

1 Corinthians 12:13

1 Corinthians 1:10

Colossians 1:18; Ephesians 5:23

Titus 1:5; 6-9

C. WORSHIP.

John 4:24

1 Corinthians 14:26

1 Timothy 2:8

1 Corinthians 14:33