

# North End Church of Christ



## Schedule of Services:

Sunday Morning - 9:30 am  
Bible Study - 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening - 6:30 pm  
Wednesday Evening - 7:00 pm

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## COMMITMENT

By Steven Haguwood

Are you committed? You may ask, "Committed to what?" Well, just about anything. Many people today do not want to do anything that may cost them. "I like free stuff" they say. We live in a microwave generation where we want instant gratification with little effort. Contrast this idea with King David in 2 Kings 24:24, when he said he would not offer an offering to the Lord that "cost me nothing." He was offered a threshing floor for free in which to make a sacrifice to God. Instead, he insisted on paying for it, otherwise it would not have been much of a sacrifice. Are we willing to commit like that today?

I heard an interesting story that illustrates the point of commitment. In order to renovate a house, a Japanese man tore open a wall. Japanese houses normally have a hollow space between the wooden interior walls. When tearing down the wall, he found a lizard stuck to the floor by a nail. He feels both pity and curiosity. He found that the nail had been placed 10 years earlier, when the house was first built. How could the lizard survive for 10 years like this? He watched for a while and noticed that another lizard appeared with food in its mouth and fed the trapped lizard.

This is a good story about one lizard that is committed to another. The free lizard gave up everything to help the trapped one. So, how is your commitment doing? Still looking for something that is free? Think about this, "*Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.*" (Hebrews 12:1-3)

Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice, not just in dying but in leaving heaven, the place we most desire to go. And He asks us to present ourselves as "living sacrifices" unto Him in return. (Romans 12:1) The sacrifice must cost you something; otherwise it is not a sacrifice. But all that it costs you is association and connection with the world and its passing treasure. In return, He offers you the immense glories and eternal blessings of heaven. Be willing to let your sacrifice cost you something so that you may receive the greatest blessing man has ever known, heaven.

## Elders

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## Deacons

Dave Butterfield  
Bob Cameron  
Ron Cook  
Harley Cox  
Jamey Eaton  
Dana Fouss  
Ken Grose  
Kevin Grose  
Doug Jones  
Jim Kerns  
Bob Reed  
Jim Ullom

## Daily Bible Reading

Oct. 28-Nov. 3

28 ~ Luke 12-13  
29 ~ Luke 14-16  
30 ~ John 17-18  
31 ~ Luke 19-20  
1 ~ Luke 21-22  
2 ~ Luke 23-24  
3 ~ John 1-3

# For Your Information

**Encouragement Team Youth**, pick up your opportunity cards tonight from Dave Martin.

**Speaker For Today:** Steve Eckman will preach for us this morning and also tonight.

**Monday Night For The Master:** Tomorrow, October 29th, will be the last session this year for Monday Night for the Master. We will meet in the MPR at 6:00 p.m.

**7th - 12th Grades:** There will be a "Monday Night Football" party for grades 7-12 on **Monday, October 29th, at 8:00 p.m.** at the home of Ron & DeDe Cook. There is no school in Wood County the following day. Everything will be provided.

**Teachers:** It is time to order material for the winter quarter. There are order forms in your classrooms. Please fill these out and leave them in the classroom. The forms need to be completed by November 11th. See Doug Jones if you have any questions.

**Devotional:** This **Wednesday, October 31st**, will be a fifth Wednesday devotional. The young men of the congregation will be conducting this service. If you are able to help, please see Dave Martin.

**Congratulations:** Dave & Laura Hamm are first-time grandparents. Olivia Ruth Hamm was born October 22, 2007. She weighed 9 lbs 3 oz. and was 21 3/4 in. long. Her parents, Michael & Mary, are doing well.

**Food Pantry:** The following items are needed for the food pantry.

**Cereal  
jelly  
spaghetti & sauce  
pancake mix & syrup  
canned meat  
crackers**

**Stepping Stones:** Dianna Kerns has order forms for the annual Stepping Stones nut sale. There are 12-15 different kinds of nut products. They will be available for delivery sometime after November 6th. If you are interested, please see Dianna

# Prayer List

**Juanita Ogden** had been in the hospital this past week. She has been having tests run. She was hoping to be home by the weekend.

**Marvin Buckley** is in room 415 of St. Joseph's Hospital. It has been determined that his cancer is not treatable. His doctor is trying to manage his pain and keep him as comfortable as possible. It is requested that he have no visitors. Card would be appreciated.

Prayers have been requested for **Gabe & Michelle Kirby**, (Gabe is the son of Bob Kirby). Michelle is having complications with her pregnancy and was admitted to Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown. She is in room 614.

## PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

### OUR MEMBERS

Karen Blair, Alice Buckley, Estil Butterfield, Landon Butterfield, Ethel Dearth, Alan Eden, Bill Houser, Marilyn Knotts, Okey & Pearl Kress, Ron Kress, Bob & Helen May, Ace Morris, Shari Noland, Fred & Corrine Patterson, Clarence & Mary Postlewait, Doris Rogers, Freda Shields, Edna Stanley, Vivian Stanley

### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Lisa Bibbee (*cousin of Dianna Kerns*), Tammy Cooper (*friend of Glenda Rectenwald*), Ilene Hostottle, Jean Hughes (*mother of Jeff Hughes*), Jim Martin, Margie Petty (*sister of Mary Kupfner*), Jenny Reynolds (*friend of Edna Stanley*), Tammy Ross (*friend of Tom Little*), Ed Sellers (*brother of Eva Cook*), Helen Starr (*mother of Nancy Merrill*), Jeannettee Wells (*daughter-in-law of Gene & Grace Wells*), Elaine Wilson (*mother of Joan Petty*)

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### Anyway

- ⇒ People are unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered. Love them anyway!
- ⇒ If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Do good anyway!
- ⇒ If you are successful, you will win false friends and true enemies. Do good anyway!
- ⇒ Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable. Be honest and frank anyway!
- ⇒ The biggest men with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest minds. Think big anyway!
- ⇒ People really need help, but they may attack you if you help them. Help people anyway!
- ⇒ Give the world your best, and you'll get kicked in the teeth. Give the best you've got anyway!

***"Let all your things be done with charity." 1 Corinthians 16:14***

# THOSE WHO SERVE

SUNDAY	October 28	Nov. 4
Prayer AM	L. Morlan	M. Berry
Prayer PM	McNemar	T. Capel
Closing Prayer PM	Cameron	Ken Grose
Scripture AM	L. Sailor	G. Capel
Song Leader	S. McIntire	E. McIntire
Lord's Supper	Berry	Kev. Grose
Assist	Ken Grose	Hamm
Serve	G. Capel	Da. Butterfield
Serve	T. Capel	N. Ullom
Serve	Hamm	B. Ullom
Serve	D. Houser	J. Ullom
Alternate	Kerns	Varner
In Charge PM	Kev. Grose	Jones
Assist PM.	McGrew	McGrew
Announcement AM	Cook	Meredith
Announcement PM	Cook	Kerns
Usher	Cox	Fouss
Usher	Eaton	Merrill
Pick Up Cards	Ballengee	Grose
Pick Up Cards	Eaton	Eaton
Pick Up Cards	Maze	Martin
Pick Up Cards	Mills	Snyder
Door Greeter AM	J. Morlan	Reed
Door Greeter PM	B. Petty	Sailor
P.A. System	Sailor	Cook
WEDNESDAY	October 31	Nov. 7
Song Leader	Devotional	Shockey
Opening Prayer	Devotional	Hess
Closing Prayer	Devotional	J. Morlan
Door Greeter	Rectenwald	Sadler
P.A. System	Sailor	Cook

Please call **Dave Butterfield at 295-5374** at least *24 hours in advance* if you cannot meet your obligation to serve.

OUR RECORD	Week of 10-21-2007	2007 Average
Sunday A.M. Worship	210	199
Sunday Bible Class	155	159
Sunday P.M. Worship	163	156
Wednesday Bible Class	141	153
Contribution (\$4400 BUDGET)	\$3,854.21	\$4,082.80

## AREA EVENTS

**Gospel Meeting:** Oct. 28-31, **6th & Washington**, Speaker: Clarence DeLoach, 7:00 p.m.

**Ladies' Day:** Nov. 3, **N. 10th & Clairmont, Cambridge**, Speaker: Linda Grubbs, 9:00 a.m.

**Homecoming:** Nov. 4, **Lower Paw Paw**

**Gospel Meeting:** Nov. 4-7, **Hopewell**, Speaker: Jack Duty, 7:00 p.m.

**Gospel Meeting:** Nov. 4-8, **Rosemar**, Speaker: Charles Pugh III, Sun. pm-4:00, wk. 7:00 p.m.

**Gospel Meeting:** Nov. 4-8, **Salem**, Speaker: Steve Stevens, 7:00 p.m.

**Gospel Meeting:** Nov. 11-14, **Little Hocking**, Speaker: Willie Franklin, 7:00 p.m.

## IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY

**Nov. 4 ~ Prepare to Meet Your God**

**Nov. 11~ Rejoice and Be Glad**

**Nov. 18~ Let Us Be Thankful**

**Nov. 25~ Christ's Church in a World of Change**

## Serving in the Military

**R.J. Balis, Cody Brookover, Paul Cascell, Jason Cooper, Jacob Dorton, Troy Gilbert, Greg Hoover, Alex Jones, Nick Kress, Ken Linville, Justin Morlan, Scott Petty, Nate Ruble, Alex Stanley**