

E-Messenger

First Church of Christ

Micah 3: Hear this,
you leaders of Jacob,
you rulers of Israel,
who despise justice
and distort all that
is right;
¹⁰ who build Zion with
bloodshed,
and Jerusalem with
wickedness.
¹¹ Her leaders judge
for a bribe,
her priests teach
for a price,
and her prophets
tell fortunes for mon-
ey.
Yet they look for
the Lord's support
and say,
"Is not
the Lord among us?
No disaster will
come upon us."
¹² Therefore because
of you,
Zion will be plowed
like a field,
Jerusalem will be-
come a heap of rub-
ble,
the temple hill a
mound overgrown
with thickets.

The Old Testa-
ment book of Mi-
cah was written
around 700 BC.
Though the book is
old, the words are
as relevant today as
ever. It is a call to
the leaders to do
what is right in the
eyes of the Lord.

Man, it seems, is
always tempted to
say what is popular.
To do things that
will line one's pock-
ets at the expense
of others. Even the
religious leaders
were not immune,
shying away from
God's truth to be
popular and saying
what would help
their bottom line.

For society that
embrace this here-
sy Micah, speaking
on behalf of the
Lord, is clear."
Therefore because
of you,

Zion will be
plowed like a field,
Jerusalem will be-
come a heap of
rubble,
the temple hill a
mound overgrown
with thickets."

When we see
this so rampant in
our culture, where
does the believer
turn? This truth has
never changed. Mi-
cah's call was for
the people to return
to the Lord. God's
word is the be-
liever's final authori-
ty. In these trying
times may God's
word be where we
turn for direction in
how to live.

Destined to
Win,
Larry Snavelly

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Serving in September

Greeters:

6—None
13—None
20—None
27—None

Communion Ministry:

6—None
13—None
20—None
27—None

Prayer Warriors:

Marcia Gambler & Brienne
Hetrick

Elder Schedule:

6—Mark Rhodes
13—Larry Snively
20—Dave Beerbower
27—Dave Cunningham

Nursery:

6—None

13—None

20—None

27—None

Children's Church:

6—None

13—None

20—None

27—None

Birthdays & Anniversaries



2 Gene
Johns, Matt
Nixon, Lydia
Rogers
3 Mick
McElfresh
4 Terence

Clingaman

5 Alec Blinzler
6 Stacie Beerbower
7 Carter Dominique, Emily
Hetrick
9 Drew Grimm, Luke Hill
13 Charlotte Brandt
16 Sandy Partee
22 Claire Clingaman, Margie

Olds
23 Kaitlyn Hesselschwardt,
Pat McPeak
27 Bryan Tonneas
29 Steve Lundy
30 Evelyn Deetz, Brigitte
Kuszmaul



9 Dean & Sue
Smethurst (53)
11 Dan & Margie Olds (33)
13 Luc & Rachel Hes-

selschwardt (17)

15 Todd & Teresa Gambler
(30), Mick & Sue McElfresh
(8)

24 Eric & Angie Murphy
(26)

27 Ryan & Stacie Beerbower
(6)

Family News

SYMPATHY

The church family extends her sympathy to these families:

- ♥ Leona Puff & family at the passing of husband, Dale

- ♥ Brian & Amber Rogers & family on the passing of **Amber's mom, Nancy** Clifton.
- ♥ Barry & Kelly VonDeylen & family on **the passing of Barry's** grandmother, Lillian VonDeylen.

- ♥ Rick & Judy Handy & family on the passing of **Judy's uncle, Gary** Downing.



SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 8:00 Worship 10:15 Wor- ship	7 	8	9	10	11 	12 8:00 Men's Breakfast @ Four Seasons
13 8:00 Worship 10:15 Wor- ship	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 8:00 Worship 10:15 Wor- ship	21	22 11:45 Lunch Bunch 	23 5:30 Supper 6:30 Youth Groups 	24 9:30 Senior Seekers	25	26
27 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 10:15 Wor- ship	28	29	30 5:30 Supper 6:30 Youth Groups			



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Love All, Worship One,
Make Disciples



Connect with us!

Office Hours: Monday—
Thursday 8:00 AM-5:00
PM



Facts & Figures

August 2

Attendance SS Worship 42/44
Offering \$6,548.79

August 9

Attendance SS Worship 43/37
Offering \$5,069.62

August 16

Attendance SS Worship 46/44
Offering \$4,246.54

August 23

Attendance SS Worship 42/37
Offering \$2,709.91

Needed for Budget \$5,149.15



Love All

Our Service Personnel:
Lindsey Carter (FL), Caleb
Lloyd (Japan), Josh Severs (S.
Korea), Braxton Singer (MS),
Katie Sparks (PA), Jessie Still-
man (OH), Josh Tonneas
(TX)

Cancer: Gwen Acker-
Dickinson, Joyce Bailey, Na-
than Bailey, Sue Bever, Tim
Bight, Brent, Sherry
Buchsteiner, Jennie Case, An-
drew Dell, Adam Farger, Car-
rie H., Molly Johnston, Kent,
Chuck Lees, Ron Lewis, Tim
Mavis, Aaron Nartker, Ruth
Ordway, Mary Pinckley,

Elaine Purdue, Steve Ringer,
Bob & Sue Secoy, Elizabeth
Shetler, Terry Shinaberry, Dean
Smethurst, Lyle Snavelly, Nor-
ma Stambaugh, Ron Stark,
Amy Tobin, Linda Walker,
Kathy Walton, Drew Way-
man. *Other Concerns:* Jen-
nifer Mavis, Trevor Bailey,
Neighborhood, Arlene Boyer,
Dale Boyer, Danielle Strouse,
Asher Cravens, Brenda Ridg-
way, Cindy Wolf, Zach Swish-
er, Cheryl Towers, Keller Gard-
ner, Gene Nash, Kim Beek,
Joshua Taylor, Keely Strouse,
Carson Strouse, Gene Craw-
ford, youth ministry, Tracy

Rendleman, Danny Hull, Oliv-
ia Breininger; *Shut Ins:*
SKLD: Gloria Wright;
Home: Barb & Ramon
Alpaugh, Shirley Bard, Annie
Engel, Ken Idle, Linda Lewis,
Marilyn Lundy, Leona Puff,
Edith Wagner; Ottawa River-
view: Barbara Hake, Haw-
thorn Glen: Roy Koerner.



"The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up
all those that be bowed down."
-Psalm 145:14



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

It's time to think about Christmas! If you are interested in putting together a Christmas shoebox, boxes are available under the steps by the drinking fountain. We have put together some information about what to put in the boxes. Gift suggestion lists are available at www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child by age and gender.



Once the pre-printed boxes are gone, **we won't be able to get more.** Please use a regular shoebox from home. Each box costs \$9 in shipping. Please give a check or cash in the offering or to the office to cover the shipping of your box. All boxes must be returned to the church by November 16th for shipping.

"It's not what you do for your children but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings.

—Ann Landers

A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.
Proverbs 17:22



Knowledge of what is true and good and beautiful is a vital asset in such a time as this. Ignorance is a liability we cannot afford. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with...all thy mind."

—Harold Blake Walker