

# Childrens Ministry

Hi Kids!

Two pieces of important information to talk about today: First, we've had another great couple of weeks working in the Bible Discovery class! I heard verses and Bible facts from: Daisy Gary, Noah Hensley, Blake Hoggatt, Madelynn Hoggatt, Miles Howard, Madalyn Lewis, Liam Rossiter, Izzy Shepherd, and Noah "Dr. Zomboss" Shepherd. Great work, kids! I'm really proud of you!

The second item on our agenda is this: Today is October 1st, and that means that it's time to start gearing up for the 'Totally-Separate-and-Apart-from-Halloween Fall Festival!!!' It isn't going to be like Halloween at all! We'll have games, decorate pumpkins, Hallow... Fall crafts, costumes, and we'll even have candy at trunk-or-treat! This is one of the biggest parties we have all year, but it only works if we have a lot of people helping, so I'm going to start asking now. Please, if you are able, consider signing up to help with setup/teardown, running a game or a craft, or helping with trunk-or-treat. There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer soon. The games and crafts will start at 3:30 on Sunday, October 22, and we'll do trunk-or-treat at 4:30. If there's anything else you need to know about it, come see me or Misty, and we'll be happy to help. Last year was one of the best we've had, and I was so happy with how many people stayed and helped get things picked up. I hope we can do it again!

Talk to you soon!

-Ryan

## Journey into Eternity

### FOR TIME AND ETERNITY

Ecclesiastes 3:1

**WE** \_\_\_\_\_ **OUR** \_\_\_\_\_

We are \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

- Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

We do not \_\_\_\_\_ that is on the \_\_\_\_\_.

We do \_\_\_\_\_ to say what we \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_.

When you \_\_\_\_\_ this list up...it adds up to \_\_\_\_\_ - without \_\_\_\_\_.

- Ecclesiastes 3:9

**WE'RE** \_\_\_\_\_ **FOR** \_\_\_\_\_

God is in \_\_\_\_\_.

- Ecclesiastes 3:10-11
- Romans 8:28
- 2 Timothy 2:20-21

God has \_\_\_\_\_ in our \_\_\_\_\_.

- Ecclesiastes 3:11

We \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ what is \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

- I Corinthians 2:9-10
- Ecclesiastes 3:11

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Richland Road

# Church of CHRIST

October 1, 2023

TO EVERYTHING

THERE IS A

*season*

A TIME FOR

EVERY PURPOSE UNDER

HEAVEN.

ECCLESIASTES 3:1

**LIVE**  
INTENTIONALLY

**54th Annual Marion Teen Retreat**  
**This Friday - Sunday at NWOCYC**  
**Guest Speaker - Austin Buckland**

**Cost for the Weekend - \$30**

**Check-in - Friday at 7:00 PM**  
**Check-out - Sunday at 11:00 AM**

**For Details Call/Text Joshua Ball - 740-225-2710**  
**Sign up in the foyer!**

# Staying Connected

**CHURCH CAMP!** Transitions are hard. Change is hard. Some people handle it better than others. If given the option, this writer would prefer to avoid change altogether. Nevertheless, life offers up changes on a regular basis. The best we can do is to make the best of it. That being said, I announced at the end of my week of church camp this summer that I would be stepping down from being the camp director. That was made official last week at our first camp board meeting since the summer. Josh Ball will now be directing this week, and I hope the week continues to grow. Our week of church camp in 2024 will be June 15-22 (staff) and June 16-22 (campers). Thank you to everyone who has served alongside me in this great ministry over the years! To God be the glory!

**THE CHANGING SEASONS!** One of the times of year I like the most is fall. The leaves begin to change colors. The weather becomes cooler. It reminds me of what the Psalmist wrote in Psalm 19:1, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork." God indirectly speaks to us through nature. When we think of nature, we should be able to see God's beauty. We should be able to witness and feel God's power. Nature shows us how changes can come rapidly. Perhaps this is why Paul wrote these words in Romans 1:20, "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse." Let us think about God and all his attributes as we see the changing seasons, but let us always remember that God never changes."

**FALL FESTIVAL!** Our annual Fall Festival for members and their guests will be on Sunday, October 22 (rain or shine (inside or outside). Games for children and food will be from 3:00-4:30 PM. Trunk or Treat will go from 4:30-5:00 PM. Look for ways to be involved soon!

**FRIENDS DAY!** Our Fall Friends Day will be on Sunday, November 5 (5 weeks away), with worship at both regular times but no Bible Class. We will have a Pancake Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-10:45 AM. Begin to invite your family and friends to join you for this great morning!

**TEST YOUR BIBLE KNOWLEDGE!** How well do you know your Bible? Try finding the answers without using any electronic device to help. Give me the answers and include Bible verses.

1. He killed 1000 men with a jawbone.
2. The longest reigning king.
3. The shortest reigning king.
4. The youngest king.
5. They raised Dorcas from the dead.
6. He raised Eutychus from the dead.
7. The first color mentioned in the Bible.
8. Jacob had 12 sons. How many daughters?
9. Did Paul have any siblings?
10. How many cities of refuge were there?

-Matt



## INFORMATION & EVENTS

### LIFEGROUPS

MEET TODAY



**CELEBRATION OF LIFE**—There will be a Celebration of Life service held here at the building this Friday at 4:00 PM in honor of Linda Ruhl.

**QUILTING MINISTRY**—The Quilting Ministry will meet on Tuesday @ 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall.



**ELDERS & MINISTERS MEETING**—This Wednesday, the Elders and Ministers will meet in the Fellowship Hall @ 9 AM. If you want to address anything with the Elders, all are welcome to attend!



**AMAZING GRAYS**—The seniors will meet at Der Dutchman in Plain City for their monthly luncheon on Tuesday, October 10, @ 11:30 AM. Sign up in the foyer.



**GENERATIONS TO COME COMMITTEE MEETING**—There will be a meeting on Wednesday, October 11 in Room 11 after Bible Class.



**SAFETY & SECURITY TEAM**—If you are interested in serving on the Safety and Security Team sign up in the foyer by Sunday, October 15. If you have any questions, please see Nate Hildreth.



**LEADERSHIP CLASS**—Beginning on Sunday, October 15, at 4:00 PM in Room 11, we will be offering a class on leadership. See an Elder for more information.



**WOMEN'S MINISTRY**—On Tuesday, October 17, there will be a Potluck and Planning Meeting at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall for the Women's Ministry. Sign up in the foyer. See Meagan White for more details!

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

**Games & Food**

**3:30—4:30 PM**

**Picnic Shelter / Fellowship Hall** (bad weather)

**Trunk—or—Treat**

**4:30—5:00 PM**

**See Ryan & Misty Hoggatt for details!**



**THE WOMEN OF PURPOSE** will be meeting Wednesday, October 25. More details to come.



**CHURCH CAMP**—Let the Church Camp Countdown begin! Our week of camp is officially scheduled for June 15-22, 2024.

*Bible Hour and Junior Worship will be offered at the 2nd service.*

## FOR THE RECORD - September 24, 2023

BIBLE CLASS.....81	WEDNESDAY.....75
SUNDAY AM.....268	CONTRIBUTION.....\$5,160.29
SUNDAY PM.....66	BUDGET.....\$6,788.00

### FROM OUR SHEPHERDS...



#### Planning for the Future

*Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established. (Proverbs 16:3)*

*And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. (Philippians 1:6)*

You have probably noticed that we've been doing some things lately that are designed to look to the future. Of course, only God ultimately knows what the future will hold for His church in this community, but with prayer we make plans designed to further His kingdom.

There are two specific efforts to which I would like to call your attention this morning:

#### Generations to Come

Three weeks ago, you overwhelmingly gave for the project to renovate the auditorium. Since that giving, the committee has been working hard to finalize the schedule and get contractors ready to complete the work. For the next several weeks, those efforts will continue, and as of right now it looks like we will see work begin sometime in November. There will be moments throughout the project where we will need help from some of you, so look for announcements about that when the time comes. Our goal is to complete the auditorium phase of the work sometime in the first quarter of the new year.

#### Leadership Class (October 15)

In two weeks, we will begin a series of classes designed to help us understand what the Bible has to say about church leadership, especially the roles of deacons and elders. The classes will be open to anyone who would like to learn more about church leadership, so please plan to join us on that day.

It is our hope that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit men will arise that might become elders or deacons. Some of you may have been considering if such a role is right for you, and if this is so please make it a priority to participate in this class. It is important for the future of this congregation that men be willing to step into the roles that God has prepared for them.

May Christ be honored in all that we plan to do!

--Brian



**HELP UNLOAD MID-OHIO FOOD** Thursday, October 26 @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

**FOOD GIVEAWAY** Saturday, October 28 @ 9 AM. (Be here @ 8:00 AM to help.) Contact Josh Ball to volunteer to help.



**FALL FRIENDS DAY**—In five weeks, on Sunday, November 5, we'll be having our Fall Friends Day with Pancake Breakfast! Begin to invite your family and friends to join you! Worship will be at the normal 8:30 and 11:00 AM times, with no Bible Class. We will be having a Pancake Breakfast from 9:30-10:45 AM.



**EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY**—In the month of October, we are asking for donations of: Spaghetti Noodles & Sauce, Boxed Sides, Canned Soup (Pop Tops)

**PICK UP AN OCTOBER PRAYER LIST IN THE FOYER**