



SCIOTOVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
5540 THIRD STREET PO BOX 4027
SCIOTOVILLE, OH 45662
740 776 2049 www.sciotoville.org

"Enter to Worship..."

...Depart to Serve"

Why we exist:

The Sciotoville Christian Church exists to

GATHER, GROW, & GLORIFY!

February 15, 2015

Looking Down On Others

So lately I have been on a kick of reading through many of my old Our Daily Bread devotional books that I have in my office. Recently I came across this one that I think we all need to take a look at. One of the scriptures to consider was Romans 12:3 which says, "***For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment...***" And as you read on, here is what it said:

"After I had minor eye surgery, the nurse told me, "Don't look down for the next 2 weeks. No cooking or cleaning." The last part of those instructions was a little easier to take than the first part! The incisions needed to heal, and she didn't want me to put any unnecessary pressure on them by looking down.

C. S. Lewis wrote about another kind of looking down that we may have a problem with. In his book, Mere Christianity, he writes, "In God you come up against something which is in every respect immeasurably superior to yourself. . . . As long as you are proud you cannot know God. A proud man is always looking down on things and people: and, of course, as long as you are looking down, you cannot see something that is above you."

Jesus told a parable about a Pharisee who felt superior to others. In a prideful prayer, he thanked God that he was not like other men (See Luke 18:9-14). He looked down on extortionist, the unjust, adulterers, and the tax collector who was also praying in the temple. By contrast, the tax collector knew he was a sinner before God and asked for His mercy. Pride can be an issue for all of us. May we not look down on others but instead see the God who is far above us all."

How often have we acted just like that Pharisee who felt superior to others? We look at clothing, and decide we are better than that person. We look at their job, or lack of, and consider ourselves "above" them. Perhaps we even look at the crowd they associate with, and feel that we are superior to them. And as a result, we don't want to talk with them, associate ourselves with them, or even worse, include them in what is going on. "Oh, they have sinned" we think to ourselves. But who among us hasn't?

You see, the problem with looking down on everyone else, is that it takes our attention away from looking up at God. And He is the only one that has the ability to look down on anyone, "***...and yet while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.***" Looking down from Heaven, we are all in the same boat, we are all guilty of sin. But down here, we tend to look around, and down on others rather than looking up to God.

How sad it will be to stand in front of God on judgment day, and have to give an account as to why we considered ourselves "better" than those around us.

In Christ,
Josh

Minister: Josh Book 727-8720

Youth Director: Ryan McClintic 285-4655

Music: David Underwood 606 748 6105

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am-1:00 pm

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

LOOKING AHEAD

WORSHIP THROUGH SINGING

Fellowship And Greet Time	9:45-10:00
Opening Special Music	Sarah Ralstin
Announcements	Rick Bowman
Prayer	Mark Allard
Song Service	David Underwood

Jesus Saves
Everlasting God
Breathe
Jesus Paid It All

WORSHIP THROUGH REMEMBRANCE

Meditation	Rick Bowman
Communion /Offering	
At His Table	Brian Enz, Mike Stapleton
Servers	Michael Allard, Ron Moniger, Ryan McClintic, Roger Williams
Doxology	Please Stand

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Message	Josh Book
Invitation Hymn	<i>I Have Decided To Follow Jesus</i>
Benediction	Gary Bussa
Closing Song	<i>Jesus Saves</i>

THOSE SERVING TODAY

1 st -6 th Sunday School	Susan Lawrence
AM Cradle Roll	Julie Conley, Sarah Ralstin
PM Cradle Roll	Carol, Edie
PM Classes	Youth Leaders
Basement Communion	Gary Bussa
Home Communion	Jim Johnson

February 22nd

March 1rst

Those Offering Prayer:

Invocation	Paul Bauer	Ron Moniger
Benediction	Jim Johnson	Jim Woods

For the Communion Service:

Meditation		Ryan McClintic
At His Table	Mark Allard Jim Woods	Rick Bowman Josh Book
Basement Communion	Gary Bussa	Brian Enz
Home Communion	Gary Bussa	Mike Stapleton

Communion Prep.	Cheryl Bowman Carol Bussa	Linda/Paul Bauer
-----------------	------------------------------	------------------

Those Working With Children:

1 st -6 th Sunday School	Michael/Katie Allard	Kelly Emmons
AM Cradle Roll	Jackie Enz Cheryl Bowman	Margaret Allard Edie Stapleton
PM Cradle Roll	Patty, Susan	Beverly, Carol

PM Worship:	Youth Leaders	Youth Leaders
-------------	---------------	---------------

Serving Communion March

Mark Allard, Rick Bowman, Jack Maynard, Jim Woods

SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Sunday:	
Sunday School	9:00 AM
Morning Worship	10:00 AM
Evening Worship	6:30 PM
Pre-6 th Classes	6:30 PM
Jr/Sr Hi	6:30 PM
Wednesday:	
Bible Study	6:30 PM

THINGS TO KNOW

Facts and Figures

Stewardship

		2/1
General Fund	\$	2,276.00
Building Fund	\$	100.00
Missionary Fund	\$	165.00
Budget needed to date	\$	15900.00
Received to date	\$	16057.00
Building Pledges	\$	278836.00

Attendance

		2/8
Sunday School		48
Morning Worship		94
Sunday Evening		
Wednesday Services		17

Those Needing Prayer

Mark Allard, Cortland Bowman, Josh Burnett, Ed Graham, Anna Harr, Fred Hieneman
 Patty Jenkins, Braden McCutchen, Jim Picklesimer,
 Steve Rase, Natalie Scott Kim Stapleton, Beverly Williams

**Be in prayer for World Leaders and our Country and our Leaders, Military,
 Law enforcement and for peace loving people.**

*** NURSING HOME ***

Riverbend: Jean Martin
 Hill View: Linda Abbott, Edie Smith
 Elbrooke Pavillion: Nina Morris
 Bestcare: Sharon McCoy

** MILITARY **

Andy DeCamp, Rebekah Fleshman,
 Jacob Howard, M. J. Kelley,
 Cody Phillips, Mark Pollard, Derek Runion

** SHUT-INS **

Gladys Lynd

Sympathy extended to the family of David Myers

What To Get Involved In

17th Busy Bee Quilting 9:00 am
 18th Bible Study 6:30 pm

Send a card or visit shut-ins and those in
 Nursing Homes..

Birthdays

1 Haley Williams
 6 Cody Simpson
 6 Dorothy Cremeans
 7 Algon Simpson
 10 Jill Litreal
 14 Rachel Pollard
 17 Makenna Enz
 22 Mike Stapleton

Amazon Boat Mission

We are in need of vitamins for
 Prenatal/children/adults

Operation Christmas Child for February

Toothpaste and tooth brushes

Bible Reading February 2nd -February 15th

2/9	Exodus 34-35	Mark 13	2/16	Leviticus 9-10	Luke 4
2/10	Exodus 36-37	Mark 14	2/17	Leviticus 11-12	Luke 5
2/11	Exodus 38-39	Mark 15	2/18	Leviticus 13	Luke 6
2/12	Exodus 40	Mark 16	2/19	Leviticus 14-15	Luke 7
2/13	Leviticus 1-4	Luke 1	2/20	Leviticus 16-17	Luke 8
2/14	Leviticus 5-6	Luke 2	2/21	Leviticus 18-19	Luke 9
2/15	Leviticus 7-8	Luke 3	2/22	Leviticus 20-22	Luke 10

It has been said:

**Faith is like an umbrella;
 It protects us through the storms of life.**

***You can't stumble when you are on your
 knees.***

Upcoming Events

Our Beliefs



Spring Cleaning

Work Night!

Mark your calendars, Sunday, March 22nd will be our work night here at the church. We will have some soup and sandwiches here to snack on, but the purpose of the night is to clean the church up good before Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. cleaning supplies will be provided, we just need some man power and woman, and a little bit of elbow grease. There will be no PM Service this night, and cleaning will begin at 5:00.

Here is what we believe:

1. *We believe in one God, the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. (John 10:30, John 14:16-20)*
2. *That Jesus Christ is the one and only Son of God, who died for our sins and arose from the dead. (I Corinthians 15:1-8)*
3. *That the Bible is the inspired word of God that was written down by many different men over a wide range of time. (II Timothy 3:16)*
4. *That all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)*
5. *That forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life are available to those who accept Christ as their Savior. (John 3:16)*
6. *That those accepting Christ need to repent of their sins, confess their faith in Jesus, and be baptized (immersed) into Him. (Acts 2:38, Romans 6:3-4, 10:9-10, Galatians 3:26-27)*
7. *That there is only one way to enter into Heaven, and that is through a personal relationship with God that is established through the work of Christ on the cross. (John 14:1-6)*
8. *That the Church is the family of God here on earth, and exists to share God's love with the lost, and continue to mature the faith of those that are in a right relationship with God. (Ephesians 4:11-16)*
9. *That every member of this church has gifts given to them by God, so that they can use those gifts to help build up His Church on earth. (Romans 12:3-8, I Peter 4:10-11)*
10. *We observe the Lord's Supper each week in remembrance of His death, His resurrection, and His promised return. (I Corinthians 11:23-32, Acts 20:7)*