



SCIOTOVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
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“Enter to Worship...

...Depart to Serve”

Why we exist:

The Sciotoville Christian Church exists to

GATHER, GROW, & GLORIFY!

September 6, 2015

### Laboring For Him

As we finish up a series here at church on lessons learned on the farm, I stumbled across this devotion from a copy of Our Daily Bread. And since this weekend is also Labor Day weekend, I found it only fitting that I should share it with you. Here was the short devotional:

*“Chinese proverbs are common and often have stories behind them. The proverb, “pulling up a crop to help it grow” is about an impatient man in the Song Dynasty. He was eager to see his rice seedlings grow quickly. So he thought of a solution. He would pull up each plant a few inches. After a day of tedious work, the man surveyed his paddy field. He was happy that his crop seemed to have “grown” taller. But his joy was short-lived. The next day, the plants had begun to wither because their roots were no longer deep.*

*In II Timothy 2:6, the apostle Paul compares the work of being a minister of the gospel to that of a farmer. He wrote to encourage Timothy that, like farming, making disciples can be continuous, hard labor. You plow, you sow, you wait, you pray. You desire to see the fruits of your labor quickly, but growth takes time. And as the Chinese proverb so aptly illustrates, any effort to hurry the process won't be helpful. Commentator William Hendriksen states, “If Timothy . . . exerts himself to the full in the performance of his God-given spiritual task, he . . . will see in the lives of others . . . the beginnings of those glorious fruits that are mentioned in Galatians 5:22, 23.” As we labor faithfully, we wait patiently on the Lord, who makes things grow.”*

What we need to realize, is that we sow the seed, but God produces the harvest. It can be so easy to labor for the Lord, and feel discouraged when you see little to no results. Whether that is serving here at the church, ministering to those in need, helping to serve others around you, or just laboring to set a good example in the way that you live, when you see no real measurable growth, it can be downright discouraging. It can even be easy to decide to just throw in the towel and give up. After all, what good are you really accomplishing?

But, I have to go back to the first sentence of the last paragraph. **WHAT WE NEED TO REALIZE, IS THAT WE SOW THE SEED, BUT GOD PRODUCES THE HARVEST.** All we can do, is be faithful in laboring for Him. So, the next time you feel like you aren't seeing any result, or you think your work for the Lord is not important or not producing anything, remember the words of I Corinthians 15:58, *“Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”*

In Christ,  
Josh

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Youth Director: Jim Johnson 776-2054

Secretary: Lois Dunham 357-0609  
Music: David Underwood 606 748 6105

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

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

### WORSHIP THROUGH SINGING

Fellowship And Greet Time	9:45-10:00
Opening	
Announcements	Rick Bowman
Prayer	Michael Allard
Song Service	David Underwood

### WORSHIP THROUGH REMEMBRANCE

#### Communion /Offering

Meditation	Paul Bauer
At His Table	Mark Allard, Jim Woods
Servers	Rick Bowman, Brian Enz, Mike Stapleton, Algon Simpson
Doxology	Please Stand

### WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Message	Josh Book
Invitation Hymn	
Benediction	Jim Johnson
Closing Song	

### THOSE SERVING TODAY

1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday School	Kelly Emmons
AM Cradle Roll	Polly Warnock, Edie Stapleton
PM Cradle Roll	Margaret
PM Classes	Youth Leaders
Basement Communion	Paul Bauer
Home Communion	Rick Bowman

## LOOKING AHEAD

September 13

September 20

#### Those Offering Prayer:

Invocation	Paul Bauer	Michael Allard
Benediction	Mark Allard	Jim Johnson

#### For the Communion Service:

Meditation		Rick Bowman
At His Table	Brian Enz Mike Stapleton	Rick Bowman Paul Bauer

Basement Communion	Rick Bowman	Gary Bussa
Home Communion	Paul Bauer	Jim Johnson

Communion Prep.	Jackie Enz Edie Stapleton	Karen Humphrey Joyce Gregory
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#### Those Working With Children:

1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday School	Susan Bender	Susan Lawrence
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AM Cradle Roll	Karen Humphrey Lettie Johnson	Julie Conley Sarah Ralstin
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PM Cradle Roll	Jackie	Carol
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PM Worship:	Youth Leaders	Youth Leaders
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#### Serving Communion October

Mark Allard, Rick Bowman, Jack Maynard, Jin Woods

### SERVICE SCHEDULE:

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

# THINGS TO KNOW

## Facts and Figures

### Stewardship

		8-30
General Fund	\$	984.00
Building Fund	\$	100.00
Missionary Fund	\$	165.00
Budget needed to date	\$	85860.00
Received to date	\$	85508.19
Building Pledges	\$	274105.00

### Attendance

		<u>8-30</u>
Sunday School		45
Morning Worship		74
Sunday Evening		No PM Service
Wednesday Services		31

## Those Needing Prayer

Debbie Allard, Clint & Patty Arthur, Don Bauer, Ruth Bell, Julie Brown  
Morgan Castle, Jeanie Caudill, Anderson Evans, Price Gammon, Roger Gregory, Garrett Huston,  
Pam Jackson, Patty Jenkins, Grace Maynard,  
Traci Mulligan, Larry Priest, Jackie Ramey, Natalie Scott, 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,  
Elbrooke Pavillion: Nina Morris

\*\* MILITARY \*\*

Rebekah Fleshman,  
Jacob Howard, M. J. Kelley,  
Cody Phillips, Mark Pollard

\*\* AT HOME \*\*

Fred Hieneman, Gladys Lynd  
Steve Rase

## What To Get Involved In

- 9-6 No PM Service today
- 9-8 Busy Bee Quilting 9:00 am
- 9-9 Bible Study 6:30pm
- 9-13 Elders/Deacons Meeting 4/5 pm
- 9-27 Church Picnic 1:00pm Porter Township Park

Thank you for all the Prayers,  
Calls, Visits, and Food during  
and following the death of Dad.  
It was all greatly appreciated.  
Josh, Nellie and Family

### Birthdays

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| 8 Will Shope         | 25 Avery Ketter     |
| 7 Shawn Shepherd     | 27 Hannah Shope     |
| 11 Vanessa McClintic | 28 Dakota McClintic |
| 17 Terry Hammonds    | 29 Polly Warnock    |
| 18 Mark Allard       |                     |
| 18 Kimberly Moniger  |                     |
| 23 Eric McClintic    |                     |

Coming up on September 28 at 6pm is a Quarterly Supper Meeting that is quite special. It will be the 65th Anniversary of KYOWVA Evangelistic Association and open to entire family. Art Bush/Wallace Brothers will lead the singing - George Faull will bring the message. Please plan to attend - men, women, children - at the Central Christian Church in Ironton, Ohio. Dinner served at 6-6:30pm, worship to follow. Numbers should be called in by September 21st.

Operation Christmas Child Donations for September

**Coloring Books, Bible Story Books**

### **Bible Reading September 6 - September 19, 2015**

9-6 Psalms 115-118	9-13 Proverbs 3-4
9-7 Psalms 119	9-14 Proverbs 5-6
9-8 Psalms 120-135	9-15 Proverbs 7-8
9-9 Psalms 136-139	9-16 Proverbs 9-11
9-10 Psalms 140-144	9-17 Proverbs 12-13
9-11 Psalms 145-149	9-18 Proverbs 14-15
9-12 Psalms 150	9-19 Proverbs 16-17
Proverbs 1-2	

### **It has been said:**

Heaven's delights will far outweigh earth's  
difficulties.

**To belittle is to be little.**

# Upcoming Events



On Friday, September 25th we will be having an overnight lock-in for the elementary age kids. We will have food, games, movies, and a whole lot of fun.

It will begin at 7:00 on Friday night with food, and we will end on Saturday morning at 8:00 with breakfast for those who are still awake enough.

Bring a blanket or sleeping bag and pillow if you plan to sleep any, or if you would like it during the movie.

***Make sure to bring your friends!!!***



## Church Picnic

Our church picnic is right around the corner. Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the Porter Township Park in Wheelersburg at 1:00. Hot dogs, hamburgers, brats, buns, sauce, mustard, ketchup, relish, onions, lettuce, and table service will be provided. Please bring sides, desserts, your own drinks, and a chair. There will be fun and games for the whole family, so plan on sticking around for a couple of hours and having some fun and fellowship! Feel free to bring your own games (corn hole, hillbilly golf, etc.). but make sure you don't miss out on the fun!

# Our Beliefs

**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)*