



The HARVESTER Newsletter

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Dear Southwest Family,

1 Thessalonians 5:18b "give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Although we thank God continually for all His blessings, November is the only month with a specific day officially set aside for Thanksgiving. Please allow me to share a few of the many things I am thankful for.

I thank God I was born into a Christian family who wanted me and loved me. I was born in the middle of the Great Depression, into a family of 10. We were poor like most other families, but we went to church every Sunday to worship and thank God for what we had.

I thank God that I later met and married a wonderful Christian girl who loved me and drew me closer to our Lord. She blessed me with two wonderful sons, who blessed me with four wonderful grandchildren, who in turn have blessed me with four (and counting) great-grandchildren.

I thank God that when we buried my beloved wife after 46 years of marriage, we buried only her cancer-ridden body. Because of Christ, her soul and spirit went to be with our Lord when she breathed her last breath on Earth. Her old body will be resurrected and changed to a new and imperishable body at the second coming of Christ.

I thank God for preparing and providing our future dwelling. John 14:1-3 states, "*Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ² My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.*"; we will be in a place described in 1 Corinthians 2:9 with this awesome promise: "*No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has in store for those who love Him.*"

I thank God for the gift of the Holy Spirit that we receive in baptism. He not only helps to direct our path, but the more we allow him to control our lives, the more we can enjoy the fruit of His spirit, especially my top three- Love, Joy and Peace.

I thank God that we have a choice in our destiny. Deuteronomy 30:19 tells us in scripture that once we are born, we will live for eternity, someplace. We are able to choose our creator's offer of grace and forgiveness, or we can choose to reject Him and suffer the eternal consequences.

Because of limited space in this newsletter, I must conclude my list here. I'm sure you have your own list of blessings that you are thankful God has given you. Let me suggest that when you gather around your table this Thanksgiving, before you take a bite of food, go around the table and ask everyone to name at least one thing they thank God for. He is good and worthy to be praised. His love endures forever, and we are blessed to be a part of His family forever.

Hallelujah!

Thank you for listening to a sinner saved by grace,
Chuck Weinsheimer

Events & Information

Monthly Figures

In- Service Attendance:

9/25	10/2	10/9	10/16	10/23
87	68	89	97	80

“And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers” (Acts 2:42). Thank you for your faithfulness church! We continue to have several folks watching online each week. Please continue to pray for our church family – both those in corporate worship and those being reached by our online ministry.

Deacon's List:

Chair:

Audio/Visual: Jared Friedrichsen

Secretary: Mike Bunn

Parsonage:

Maintenance: Lynn Hounshel

Special Projects: TBD, Lynn, and
Phil Friedrichsen

Benevolence: Tony Storad

Church (Building): Lynn Hounshel

We are continually blessed by the generosity of God's people. Thank you for your continued financial support so that we may meet the needs of our ministry staff, missionaries, benevolence ministry, and the general ministry of the church. For your convenience, we would like to remind you that online giving is available through our secure internet portal at <https://swccbarberton.com/giving>.

Thank you, church family, for your ongoing support of Southwest Church of Christ!

Weekly Need:

General: \$3,600

Weekly Need:

Missions: \$442

Congregational Meeting and Dinner: Our yearly meeting will be Sunday, Nov. 13th. Dinner will be carry-in style beginning at 5pm. Meeting will begin around 6pm. Everyone is encouraged to come and be informed on what is happening in our church.

Acme Cashback Program: Envelope is in the foyer if you would like to contribute your receipts to SWCC's fundraiser.

B.A.C.M. Food Pantry item: Canned ravioli, beef stew, or chili w/meat. Place items in the BACM box in the kitchen.

Bible Discussion Group: Wednesday evenings this fall, plan to join the new group open to both men and women, for a deep dive into God's Word. Light refreshments at 6pm, study begins at 6:30pm. Youth activities will also be going on during this time.

APS Giving Tree: It's that time of year again! Southwest is partnering with Akron Pregnancy Services with the annual Giving Tree. The tree will go up by 11/20 in the foyer. Gift tags will be numbered and attached to the tree. If you are able to assist this year, take a tag and write your name on the list next to the corresponding number. **All gifts must be returned by 12/4.** Any questions, please see or call Cindy in the church office.

Scrapbooking: The group will not be meeting for the months of November or December. Check back later for updates.

“Senior Moment”: On Tuesday, 11/15 meet us for lunch at 12 noon at Dravenstott's in Orville, or at 11:30am at the church to carpool. Let Karen Rummer know by 11/13 if you plan to attend.

Soup Kitchen: Southwest members will be helping next month. Thank you for your willingness to serve for Christ's kingdom! Any questions, see Terry Trump.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Study: We are using Jean E. Syswerda's book, “Women of the Bible”. All women are welcome. If you need a book, call Karen at 330-671-7463.

Rahab Ministries: They are a faith-based ministry devoted to rescuing and restoring victims of human trafficking. Please consider supporting this ministry financially. Checks may be sent to: Rahab Ministries, One Center for Leadership, 901 Tuscarawas Street, E. Canton, OH 44707

(additional information on last page)



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful." Colossians 3:15		1 Women's Bible Study	2 Bible Discussion & Youth Groups	3	4	5
6 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	7	8 Women's Bible Study	9 Bible Discussion & Youth Groups	10	11	12
13 5:00pm Dinner, 6:00pm Meeting	14	15 Women's Bible Study "Senior Moment"	16 Bible Discussion & Youth Groups	17	18	19
20 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	21	22	23	24 Happy Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28	29 Women's Bible Study	30 Bible Discussion & Youth Groups	"Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods." Psalm 95: 2-3		

BIRTHDAYS:	
11/1	Lisa Mitchell
11/1	Chuck Weinsheimer
11/3	Terry Trump
11/3	Todd Yocum
11/6	Rhonda Starcher
11/6	Carter Webb
11/14	Sarah Weinsheimer
11/16	Julie Bradshaw
11/17	Madison Mitchell
11/19	John Hounshel
11/26	Don Berube
11/29	Linda Smith

ANNIVERSARIES:

Did you have a birthday or anniversary this month that we missed? Would you like to have your special day added to our calendar? Write your name, the occasion, and the date on the prayer tab in the bulletin. Place the tab in the offering plate on any Sunday. Or you may send an email to: kdbusch15@gmail.com, and I will gladly include your information.

Do you know someone who would positively benefit from reading The HARVESTER? Our newsletter is now available on the Southwest Church of Christ webpage under the Ministries tab.

Growing Your Faith

“You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” 2 Corinthians 9:11

Spend time with the Lord each day this month by reading the following scriptures. To help commit them to memory, write in a journal or notepad and review daily.

- NOV 1: Psalm 95:1-7
- NOV 2: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9
- NOV 3: 2 Corinthians 4:15-18
- NOV 4: Isaiah 12:2-6
- NOV 5: Colossians 3:12-17
- NOV 6: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18
- NOV 7: Psalm 107:1-9
- NOV 8: Philippians 4:4-9
- NOV 9: Psalm 100:1-5
- NOV 10: Psalm 136:1-12

- NOV 11: Psalm 136:13-26
- NOV 12: 1 Chronicles 16:8-14
- NOV 13: 1 Chronicles 16:23-26
- NOV 14: Psalm 116:12-19
- NOV 15: Psalm 147:1-7
- NOV 16: 2 Corinthians 9:6-9
- NOV 17: 2 Corinthians 9:10-12
- NOV 18: 2 Corinthians 9:13-15
- NOV 19: Psalm 28:6-9
- NOV 20: Psalm 69:30-36

- NOV 21: Psalm 107:28-32
- NOV 22: Psalm 9:1-2, 7-12
- NOV 23: Lamentations 3:22-27
- NOV 24: James 1:17-18
- NOV 25: Psalm 118:1-7
- NOV 26: Psalm 118:8-14
- NOV 27: Psalm 118:15-21
- NOV 28: Psalm 118:25-29
- NOV 29: Psalm 105:1-7
- NOV 30: 1 Chronicles 16:34-36



Scripture list courtesy of www.swtblessings.com

Kids Korner



“I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness; I will sing the praises of the name of the LORD Most High.” Psalm 7:17

Find the underlined words from the verse above in the word-search below.

B	A	D	7	I	I	F	G	K	T	L	K	B
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C	M	I	E	W	S	Q	V	Z	A	X	7	Y
A	P	T	L	U	B	I	C	E	N	F	I	P
U	S	I	O	L	G	J	L	N	K	Q	7	P
S	A	T	R	V	X	H	H	I	S	Y	G	R
E	L	Z	D	B	G	C	D	G	J	L	N	A
M	M	O	U	I	E	M	A	E	F	R	I	I
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I	7	I	4	G	H	S	T	T	H	E	R	E
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For you to color:

**“In everything
give thanks
for this is the
will of God.”**

1 Thessalonians

5:18 KJV



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WEEKLY WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday Morning:

Sunday School 9:30am

Morning Worship 10:30am

Tuesday Women's Bible Study: 10am

Youth Ministry

Message from Dan:

I must admit right now it is a little hard writing this letter. Why? Well, I am missing a key piece of my laptop. On Wednesday night one of the students was playing with my mouse and accidentally took it home. I can still type and copy and paste this, but it's not as easy without the mouse.

Cute story, right? Kind of. It reminds me of what Paul says to the church in Corinth:

"¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many. ¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" 1 Corinthians 12:12-21

There are three things I want you to remember from this passage of scripture:

1. The body needs you. Yes, you. We need you to be here on Sunday mornings. Everyone has a part to play. Show up and play your part.
2. Be the part God wants you to be. I once had a student who tried so hard to be her popular older sister. I finally told her not to be her sister, but to be herself because God created one you and one her- not two of her. That student and I have remained close to this day. She has used her testimony to reach dozens of lives for Christ. Be who God wants you to be.
3. Encourage one another. If everyone needs to play a part, then encourage people to play the part God called them to play. Build each other up in love and confidence. God has a bigger plan than what we see.

1 Corinthians 12 is easy to preach on but can be very hard to live out. Let us aim to live it as a Church body.

Planned Events:

Nothing definite at this time. Check the bulletin on Sundays, or during Youth Group.

Southwest Church of Christ is happy to announce Michael Hawkins as the new pastor of our congregation!

Michael Hawkins comes to us after serving as the Senior Minister at West Park Church of Christ in Portsmouth, Virginia for 5 years. Prior to that, he served as a youth minister for 7 years. Mike has experience in maintaining the West Park Church's website and has served on their praise and worship team, as well as their audio/visual team. He is a native of Akron, Ohio where his parents still reside. Mike was ordained into the Christian Ministry at the age of 32 after attending Kentucky Christian College where he studied Bible and Youth and Family Ministries. Mike has a lot of experience working with many different youth camps over the last 11 years. His interests include studying history, playing cards and gardening.

Mike and his wife, Sarah, have three children: Austin (20), Caitlin (17) and Sydney (14).

The Hawkins have bought a house in Doylestown and are very excited about serving the Lord at Southwest and getting to know all of us! Mike's first day joining the congregation will be December 11th, with his first preaching Sunday on December 18th. There will be a welcome luncheon for the Hawkins' family right after church on December 11th. More details to come.

Looking for support? Elders are available after every Sunday worship service, or by contacting the church office, to speak with you regarding prayer requests, offer spiritual guidance for your concerns, or in the case of an emergency. In addition, if you are sick or unable to make it to worship due to your health concerns, we would love to bring communion to you and have someone pray with you. Please reach out and let us know how we may serve you.

Ron Browning: 330-472-8077

Russ Mercer: 330-825-6852

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Jim Rummer: 330-671-3353

Chuck Weinsheimer: 330-658-6935

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Dan Conway, Youth Minister: 740-616-7819

Did you know that Southwest Church of Christ has an online giving option!

Just go to our website: <https://swccbarberton.com> and click the "giving" tab and fill out your information. It is that easy! If you do have questions, please contact Cindy, at the church office, 330-825-7263.

***If anyone is willing to transport people to church on Sunday mornings, please let Cindy know or call the office at 330-825-7263. Thank you. ***