



The HARVESTER Newsletter

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Dear Southwest Family,

Welcome to October and to change.

As I write this article, it is only September. Yet the yard is already covered with leaves, and the leaves on the trees are changing color. I don't know about you but I'm not big on change- even the ones that bring the beautiful colors to trees. Changes in life are always happening and so many of them are good. Like graduating from high school or college, meeting the love of your life, getting married, a new baby, or a new house. A lot of good changes happen every day. Change comes to everyone, and the church is not exempt from that.

Here at Southwest Church of Christ, we are going through our own change. We will be getting a new Senior Minister soon. Wednesday Night Live changed to Wednesday Discussion (see footnote). We have online giving options for supporting the church financially, and we are working to keep the live streaming available to those watching from home.

The main thing I want everyone to know is that with all the changes going on all around us and in the church, be it the weather or a new minister, one thing will NEVER change. That is: our Lord Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8). So don't be afraid of the change that is coming or already has come. Just know Jesus did not and will not change. Ever.

The disciple James reminds us, *"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."* (James 1:17)

Please reach out to one of the elders or church staff with any questions you have on the changes that have occurred recently at Southwest, or anything you think might be changing. We can also discuss your questions on how we can help you know our Lord and Savior better.

In Christ's holy name,

Ron Browning

Footnote- In case you didn't know Gene Ross is leading the Wednesday discussion. The class is off to a great start. We had a lot of conversation on different scripture verses. Come check it out this Wednesday (snacks at 6pm and discussion is from 6:30-7:30pm).

Events & Information

Monthly Figures

In- Service Attendance:

8/28	9/4	9/11	9/18
66	67	73	90

“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

Trunk or Treat: SWCC is participating in the neighborhood outreach program! It's been a while, so if you have missed seeing all the cute kiddos, please consider coming out on Saturday, October 29th from 5 to 7pm to pass out goodies. We would like to have a huge turnout- so contact Dan Conway to register your trunk, donate candy if you cannot attend, or for any other questions.

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.

Men's Bible Study: There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer if you are interested in joining.

B.A.C.M. Food Pantry item: Spaghetti sauce and pasta varieties. Place items in the kitchen inside the BACM box.

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

“Senior Moment”: On Tuesday, 10/18, meet us for lunch at 12 noon at Der Dutchman in Walnut Creek, or at 11:15am at the church to carpool. Let Karen Rummer know by 10/16 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

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.

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will." Romans 12:2</i></p>						1
2 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	3	4 Women's Bible Study	5 Bible Discussion & Groups	6	7	8
9 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	10 Columbus Day	11 Women's Bible Study	12 Bible Discussion & Groups	13	14	15
16 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	17	18 Women's Bible Study "Senior Moment"	19 Bible Discussion & Groups	20	21	22
23 Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group <hr/> 30	24 <hr/> 31	25 Women's Bible Study	26 Bible Discussion & Groups	27	28	29 Trunk Or Treat

BIRTHDAYS:

10/5	Dave Hodge
10/19	Terry Hoover
10/19	Meredith Wilson
10/24	Tina Caracciolo
10/28	Katy Geimer
10/31	Genia Krunich

ANNIVERSARIES:

10/3	Gerald & Lora Vukmanovich
10/4	Ben & Cindy Weaver
10/5	Chris & Kristy Prentice

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

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6-7

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.

- OCT 1: Joshua 1:7-9
- OCT 2: Deuteronomy 7:11-14
- OCT 3: 1 Timothy 6:6-10
- OCT 4: 1 Timothy 6:11-13
- OCT 5: 1 Timothy 6:14-16
- OCT 6: Matthew 11:27-30
- OCT 7: Jeremiah 33:2-3
- OCT 8: Hebrews 13:1-4
- OCT 9: Hebrews 13:5-8
- OCT 10: 1 John 2:1-6

- OCT 11: 1 John 2:7-11
- OCT 12: 1 John 2:15-17
- OCT 13: Revelation 21:3-8
- OCT 14: Hebrews 12:1-3
- OCT 15: Luke 9:23-27
- OCT 16: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
- OCT 17: 2 Corinthians 5:11-15
- OCT 18: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
- OCT 19: Acts 4:11-12
- OCT 20: Colossians 2:6-10

- OCT 21: John 10:1-4
- OCT 22: John 10:5-8
- OCT 23: John 10:9-13
- OCT 24: John 10:14-18
- OCT 25: Matthew 11:1-6
- OCT 26: John 15:1-4
- OCT 27: John 15:5-8
- OCT 28: John 15:9-14
- OCT 29: John 15:15-19
- OCT 30: John 15:20-25
- OCT 31: Isaiah 54:8-9

Scripture list courtesy of www.swtblessings.com

Kids Korner

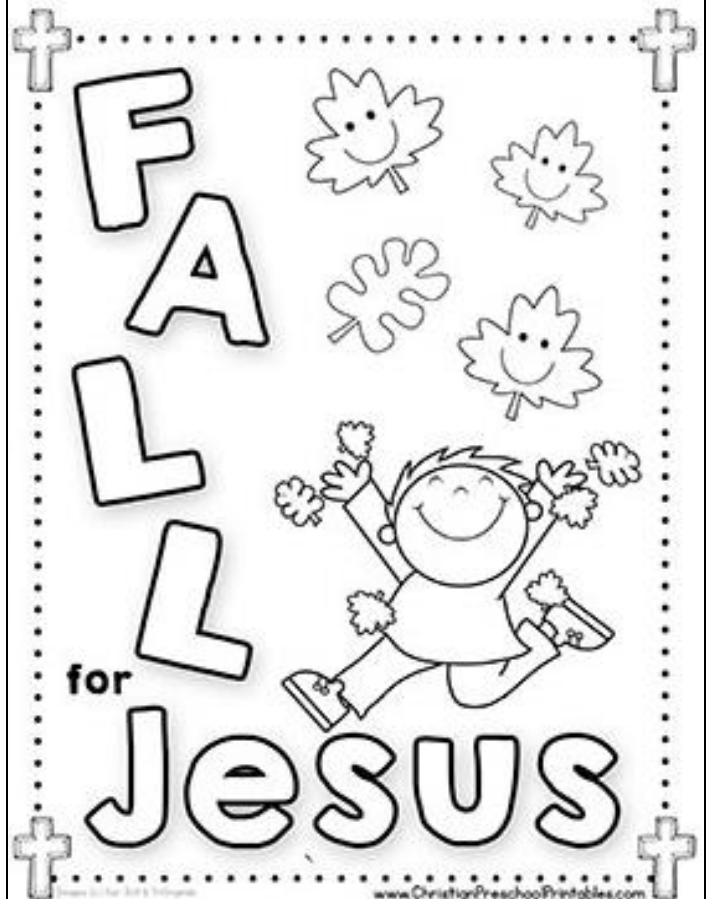


“Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.”
Lamentations 3:22

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

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For you to color:



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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:

What is October most known for? Is it the pumpkin spice stuff? (which I don't think is all that great) Is it the joy of hoodie season? (hoodies are the best form of clothing) Is it for Halloween and all the activities connected with it? Is it for the beauty of the falling leaves? What do you think of when you think of October? For me, the best part of October is college football.

But let's talk about something else. October is the moment when we know Winter is coming. Yet for now, just a short while, Fall is here. I've seen Octobers where it is 90 plus degrees on Halloween night at the end of the month. I've also seen snow in October (not in Ohio). The one thing to note is October weather is like a box of chocolates; ya never know what ya gonna get.

Similar to the October weather, were the aqueducts of the Roman province of Laodicea. When you would turn on the water you never knew what you were going to get. Sometimes people from Laodicea would get cold water, sometimes hot water. The residents were frustrated, and boy did they complain about it! They complained so much, that God was able to use them as an example. Revelation 3:15-16 *"I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm - neither hot nor cold - I am about to spit you out of my mouth."*

Don't let your Christian walk be like the October weather, or be like the aqueducts of Laodicea. Be consistently diving deeper and deeper into Christ.

Shout out time! Normally I try and highlight one thing a student is doing around the Church, but truthfully this month is about highlighting them as a whole. Youth Sunday was a lot of hard work from so many of the kids in so many different ways. Thank you, youth group parents who supported us (especially Jen Kirkhart!), and everyone for giving us a chance to glorify God in a fun and different way.

Planned Events:

Foggy Bottom Farms - October 9th for grades 6 to 12 only.

Trunk or Treat- Saturday, October 29th from 5 to 7pm. Plan to come early to help set-up & stay after to help clean-up.