

THOUGHTS FROM BRAD ...

Today, Kim and I are visiting a former church where we served in Bellville, Ohio. Our daughter Jessica was two when we moved there. Wow! I believe this is the first time we have been back for a worship service in twenty years. Please pray for our travels as we have this opportunity to visit old friends.

Again, let me encourage you to begin your Bible reading if you haven't already. Each week we will spend time discussing one of the chapters you read in your Monday-Friday commitment. So for January 8th, I will preach from Mathew, chapters 6-10. If you will simply read one chapter a day during the week, you will complete the New Testament in 2017. I know you can do it!

Here are some potential goals for 2017... (copied)

1. Resolve to stay faithful to Jesus Christ. He is the one Truth, Way and Life. There's no reason to look elsewhere.
2. Resolve to not let anything – a career, a significant other, social media, a house – become an object of worship.
3. Resolve to watch your language and not speak any destructive talk, especially involving the name of God.
4. Resolve to prevent burnout by putting aside work one day a week. Trust God to provide for your needs that day and just enjoy the time He's given you.
5. Resolve to talk to your parents on a regular basis, and show them love and respect.
6. Resolve to be angry less. Channel any feelings of rage, which Jesus said are as severe as murder, into worshipping God and serving others.
7. Resolve to honor your commitment to your spouse. Whether in thought or in deed, stay pure and loyal in the union God made.
8. Resolve to not take anything that's not yours, including stuff you can hold and put in your pocket, and plenty that you can't, like music downloads, streaming movies and hours on your timecard.
9. Resolve to speak about others only with truth and love, not gossip.
10. Resolve to be content with what you have, and not worry about that others are amassing.

See you next Sunday!

In His Service,

Brad

December 25, 2016	
Sunday School	n/a
Morning Worship	99
Evening Worship	n/a
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,361.00
Budget Received	\$ 3,238.00
Christmas	\$ 2,290.00
Van Fund	\$ 25.00

SERVING SCHEDULE January 1, 2017		SERVING SCHEDULE January 8, 2017	
At the Table	Mitch Shell and Patrick Wersell	At the Table	Dave Tingler and Ned Tomlinson
Serving	Ron Enlow, Ray Ayers, Dan Brown, Mike Bussey	Serving	Tim Huffman, Ray Coats, Coy Cupler, Brad George
PM Deacon	No Evening Worship	PM Deacon	Tim Huffman
COMMUNION	Ray and Margie Ayers	COMMUNION	Ray and Margie Ayers
GREETERS	Shirley Alexander Penny Hawkes	GREETERS	Ray and Margie Ayers
NURSERY		NURSERY	
Sunday School		Sunday School	
Worship		Worship	
VISITOR CENTER	Janet Brown	VISITOR CENTER	Ruth Enlow
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Family Sunday	CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Natalie Neff Michaela Neff
SECURITY		SECURITY	
Sunday School/ Worship		Sunday School/ Worship	
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	

Prayer List

Millie Hoy	Debbie Groves	Leroy Shaner	Marc Mooney
Piper Stark	Kasen Newman	Naressa Allen	Larry Blosser
Debi Erwin	Kenneth Dusthimer	Jeane Goldfarb	Howard Stouffer
Paul Scott	Camille Stiverson	Heather Tracy	Mike Kiger
Pat Sain	Shirley Hopkins	Caleb Witham	Heather Baker
Our Troops	Veronica Hartmann	Mira McCarty	Dan Hinkle

*With Heartfelt
Sympathy*

We want to express our sympathy to Frances Still on the passing of her husband, Harlan, on December 25th, to the family of Jean Cunningham, who passed away on December 21st, and to Mary Alice Coats on the passing of her brother on December 27th. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sunday School Classes for All Ages All classes are at 8:45 a.m.

Nursery
(Birth through 3 years old)
"Jesus Loves Me"
Room 102

Preschool
(Ages 3-6)
"Bible Friends"
Room 105
Marie Huffman, Teacher

Early Elementary
(K- 3rd Grade)
"Jesus, Our Example"
Room 101
Deborah Will, Teacher

Upper Elementary Class
(4th-6th Grade)
"God Works through Elisha"
Room 106
Ron Enlow, Teacher

Junior/Senior High
"Creation"
3rd Floor
Patrick Wersell, Teacher

Ladies' Class
"Fervent"
By Priscilla Shirer
Room 209
Jean Azbell and Bev Puckett,
Teachers

Adult Class
"Independent Studies"
Fellowship Hall
Brad SeEVERS, Teacher

Harmony Adult Class
"International Sunday School
Lessons"
Room 204
Dave Tingler, Teacher

Philothean Adult Class
"Parables"
Room 208
Jim Love, Teacher



Monday, January 16th ~ 6:30 p.m.

First-timers welcome! If you haven't joined us before, the New Year meeting would be a great time to begin. This will be mostly the "Christmas meeting", the "social" we didn't have in December for a number of reasons, so bring your favorite finger-food. After a brief look at The Negotiator by Dee Henderson, we'll choose our discussion book for February and, hopefully, spend some time looking ahead to 2017. Totally informal, as always, so just come as you are. If you love books and enjoy talking about them, we want you!

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, January 4th
Craft Corner, 3-5pm

Thursday, January 5th
Foundation Dinner

Sunday, January 8th
Carriage Court, 2pm
Hymn Sing and Talent Night



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Craft Corner
Wednesday, January 4th
3-5pm

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are preparing a new church directory to be distributed soon. There is a copy in each adult Sunday School classroom, and one on the bulletin board in the coat room. Please make any changes to your information.

WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE!

At FACC, we focus on loving God, loving people, and turning the world upside down.

We are happy you chose to worship with us today. We hope you return next week and bring your friends with you. If you would please take a few minutes to fill out a "Silent Roll Call Card", located on the back of the pew, you can then place it in the offering plate as it is passed. Thank you. For more information about our great church, contact our minister, Brad Seevers at 5thavecofc@gmail.com or call him at 740.550.9882. Have a great week and may God bless your life.

Core Values...

Values central to the life, mission and vision of Fifth Avenue Church of Christ are:

Christ-Centered Worship

We make it a priority every Sunday to celebrate Jesus through our music. (Romans 11:36-12:1-2). We focus on Jesus through grace-based preaching and teaching & understand the Bible is our authority (2 Timothy 3:16).

Church Health and Biblical Balance

Church health becomes reality when God's people seek harmony & live consistently. We expect every member to protect the unity of Christ's Church. (Romans 12:16; 1 Peter 3:8)

Global Evangelism

We are constant to our founding call to worldwide evangelism, proclaiming to all that Jesus Christ is the Savior, Healer, and Soon-Coming King (Acts 20:27).

Fellowship and Ministry

After people begin their journey with Jesus, we will equip them to find a ministry based upon their strengths. We want everyone to serve in some capacity. (1 Corinthians 12:12-27) We also want His church to be the living evidence of His love and power to the world.

Discipleship

We do not want you to "get religion" here at Fifth Avenue Church of Christ in Lancaster. We are all about teaching you that Jesus seeks a daily relationship with Him through a life of obedience. In other words, we want to see the things you are taught actually change your lifestyle & your daily decisions.

Social Conscience

We place high value on the sanctity of human life, of Biblical marriage and morality, and we welcome ethnic diversity (Isaiah 56:7; Philippians 2:15-16).

"The First Coming of the King"

Matthew 2:2

Dave Tingler preaching

How Can I Respond Today?

At FACC we look to the Bible for guidance on all issues. We believe that God's Word is clear concerning what a person must do to become a Christian.

- ◆ Trust that Jesus can bring you to salvation.
- ◆ Turn (repent) from the sin in your life.
- ◆ Confess your desire to make Jesus the Lord of your life.
- ◆ Be baptized (immersed) in water for the forgiveness of sins and to receive the Holy Spirit into your life.

To make this *life decision for Christ*, we ask that you *come forward during our commitment song* at the conclusion of the Sunday message. *Baptized believers are welcome to become members* at FACC by coming forward on Sunday morning or by seeing our Senior Minister to discuss this further. We ask that you *complete a series of Curious classes* to help you better understand what you are committing to as a member. If you would like to take a *Curious class*, please indicate this on your Silent Roll Call Card.

OUR PURPOSE:

WE EXIST TO: Exalt God's Greatness; Evangelize God's Work, Equip God's People. Express God's Love through Jesus Christ

OUR MISSION: "To Love God and Love People!"

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The Christian Messenger

January 1, 2017



Reminder ...

No Evening Worship Tonight

Hymn Sing and Talent Night

Sunday, January 8th at 6:00 p.m.

Sign up in the coat room.

Brad Seevers, Senior Minister

Email: 5thavecofc@gmail.com

Sunday Services: Bible School 8:45 a.m.; Worship 10:00 a.m.;
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.