OCTOBER 8, 2017



WELCOME VISITORS We're happy to have you visiting with us today and hope that you will come again! Please fill out a visitor's card and pass it to the right so that we'll have a record of your attendance.

FOUNTAIN SQUARE GIFTS We are in need of 6 (638 ml) Dawn dish soap along with **20** tooth brushes and 17 tubes of toothpaste. Look for the crates labeled Fountain Square under the table in the lobby to put the donations. The dinner, gifts, devotional, and singing will take place in early December. More details to follow. Thanks for blessing these friends with the blessings you have received from God!

Grace

How do you view grace?

Is it just what we call a prayer prior to eating?
Is it a nice word in a song like "Amazing Grace"?
Is it something we pray for only during difficult times in our lives?
Or is it an amazing gift that we are abiding in?

We are told in Romans 3:23-24 and also in Romans 6:22-23 that grace is a gift that God has offered us. It isn't anything that we have earned nor will it ever be, but as Paul says in Ephesians 2:8-9, "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is a gift of God; not as a result of works that no one should boast."

We can never forget the amazing sacrifice that was offered in our place simply due to God's love for us and His hatred of sin. In <u>1 John 4:9-1</u>0 John writes, "By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loves us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

You and I have been bought with a price: the death of the Son of God! As we sing sometimes, "I owed a debt I could not pay, I needed someone to wash my sin away, and now I sing that brand new song: Amazing Grace. For Jesus paid the debt that I could never pay."

Let us do all we can to be zealous for good works! As Paul says in <u>Titus 2:11-14</u>, "For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for HImself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds."

EVENTS

TRUNK-OR-TREAT Please note the date change: Trunk-or-Treat will take place Friday, October 27th. Vehicles can begin arriving at 6pm to set up. There will be activities in the Life Center for the kids during set up with trunk-or-treating beginning at 630pm. Please remember no scary trunks and we ask that you bring your own treats to pass out. Costumes are encouraged.

OCTOBER 29th – 5th SUNDAY POTLUCK Our 5th Sunday potluck meal with be October 29th, following the morning service. Each family should bring a main dish and either a vegetable, salad or dessert. Widows and singles should bring 1 two liter of pop and either a large salad, vegetable or dessert. Plan to stay, enjoy great food and have a wonderful time of fellowship. Remember, there will not be an evening service on October 29th.

***Please give chicken money to Mark Sr. before October 29th.

BOWLING GREEN COC LECTURESHIP The Bowling Green Church of Christ located at 13371 Haskins Road in BG is hosting a lectureship on Saturday, October 14th from 9am-1pm. Lunch will be provided.

BELLEVUE COC LADIES DAY The Bellevue Church of Christ is hosting a Ladies Day on Saturday, October 21st. There will be a guest speaker from OVU. Please see bulletin board for further information.

♦UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these activities and opportunities for fellowship!

(More details will follow as dates draw closer)

November 18: Homemade/Handmade Auction to benefit NWOCYC

Do You Believe This?

Many events that occur in our lives are hard to accept. We wonder what God has against us when sickness overtakes us, or when financial reverses take everything we have been able to accumulate. We can accept the good that God pours out upon us and thank Him for His bounty. It is a different matter when things not so good happen.

Paul gives us words of encouragement and wisdom in Romans 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

Are we to believe that if we love God all things that happen to us work out for the best? That's what he said! He further clarified it by saying it is "the called" that is spoken of here. Who are the called? They are those in the church! Yes, we can believe this. All things work together for good to us, if we love and serve God.

-John Wright

FAMILY MATTERS

Richard Schultz: Flower Rehab

Joyce Reese: Home

PLEASE PRAY FOR Joyce Reese, JV Graves, Jennifer Howard, John Huntzinger, Anna Copass, Kay Hammond, Alma Schultz, Mary Henry, Norma Gonzalez, Carmen Wright, Mike Borysiak, Robert Dickey, Larry Hollstein, Jasper Lucas, Bertha Wells, Jim & Neva Hall, and Terry Howell.

READING

October 8: Matthew 15-17 October 9: Matthew 18-20 October 10: Matthew 21-22 October 11: Matthew 23-24 October 12: Matthew 25-26 October 13: Matthew 27-28 October 14: Mark 1-3

RECORDS 10/1/2017				
9:00	115	٧	/ed.	55
10:00	210			
6:00	82			
Contribution			\$11,104.00	
Missions				
Total			\$11,104.00	
Weekly Budget			\$5,570.49	

SCHEDULE OF SERVICE
Sun. 9:00 am Bible Study
10:00 am Worship
6:00 pm Worship
Wed. 7:00 pm Bible Study
Thurs.11:30 am Bible Study

