

April Events:

- ⇒ April 19th-22nd: West Union CoC Gospel Meeting.
- ⇒ April 25th: Glenville State Baseball Game.
- ⇒ April 26th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.
- ⇒ April 26th-30th: Belington CoC Gospel Meeting.
- ⇒ April 26th-29th: University CoC Gospel Meeting.
- ⇒ May 3rd: Singing Emphasis/Dessert Fellowship--Natalie Seyler in charge.

Today's Announcements:

- On **Saturday, April 25th**, anyone interested in going to see a Glenville State Baseball game, we will be meeting at the church parking lot to car-pool at **2:15 p.m.** There is a game at 3:30 p.m.
- We have two graduates this year!! Addyson Buffington from Bridgeport High School and Connor Buffington from Fairmont State University. Our May Dessert Fellowship will honor these two graduates. There is a basket in the back to place cards for them.
- A short survey has been prepared regarding a trip to the Sight & Sound Theatre for this year or next year. Please provide input/feedback on this survey. Your response can be placed in the baskets located in the foyers. Your participation is greatly appreciated.
- Our Friends & Family Day is **May 17th**. Please start thinking of people to invite for our special day to honor them. There are flyers & envelopes in the foyers for mailing out to friends or just to hand out.

Notes of Interest/Updates:

- *New address for the Wilmoth's: Bridgeport Healthcare Center, Assisted Living Room 3213, 1081 Maplewood Drive, Bridgeport, WV 26330.*
- *Check out the back bulletin board for upcoming Ladies Days & Gospel Meetings in our area.*
- *A letter from the Southern Christian Children's Home is posted on the back bulletin board if you want to donate.*

Elders: Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman

Deacons: Robbie Buffington, Adam Epler, & Rodney Sleeth

Minister: Mark Jones

Bridgeport CoC Phone: (304) 842-6738

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Social Media and Loneliness

One of the ironies of our contemporary high-tech world is that the more connected people are by technology, the lonelier we are becoming.

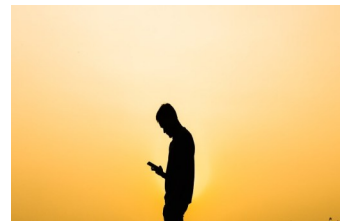
More than six in ten U.S. adults reported feeling loneliness, while half or more of adults said they felt isolated (54%), left out (50%), or lacking companionship (50%) often or some of the time.

Throughout our society, we hear people exclaim, "I feel alone! No one understands me! No one really knows who I am!"

The unfortunate reality of our society is that although social media and instant communications promised to make people more connected, people are more isolated than ever before. Making technology our god is breaking down our society and fostering loneliness, disconnectedness, and despair.

On the other hand, putting God first in our lives will minimize those feelings and help us be whole. In Luke 12:4-7, Jesus shows that we spend too much time worrying about what people around us can do to us. Instead, we should be concerned about what God thinks of us.

Social media is an expression of what man thinks of us. Many social media interactions are governed by peer pressure, and what folks will think if we say or do a certain thing. We should be worried, instead, about what God thinks of us.



Times of Service

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

Luke 12:6-7 shows that God *truly* knows us, unlike the world. Look how God knows every detail of His people:

- He names His sheep (John 10:3).
- He numbers our hairs (Luke 12:7).
- He counts our steps (Job. 31:4).
- He bottles our tears (Psa. 56:8).
- He holds our hands (Isa. 41:13).
- He supplies our need (Phil. 4:19).

Let's set a goal to spend more time in the Spirit book (the Bible) and less time on Facebook. Let's remember whose opinion really matters. The approval of man will not get us to heaven (Luke 6:26). Instead, work to be approved by God (2 Tim. 2:15).

*Matt Clifton
Judsonia church of Christ
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“A happy marriage and family life is like a work of art-it requires labor, time, and love, the giving of part of the artist's own being for completion. But the resulting master-piece, through the warmth and love it generates, will affect a segment of humanity for all eternity.”



Card Distributor: Lydia Jones

Greeter: Needed for the month

Baptismal Garments: Cindy Moore

Bible Class Locations:

Adults—Main Auditorium

Young Adults (20s-30s)—Mark's Office

Children & Teens—Downstairs

Cradle Roll—Downstairs

Upcoming Events/Dates to Remember

May 2nd: Harrisville CoC Ladies' Day.

May 3rd: Singing Emphasis & Dessert Fellowship.

May 3rd-6th: Shinnston CoC Gospel Meeting.

May 8th: Friday Night Sing at Belle CoC.

May 17th: Friends & Family Day.

May 22nd: Friday Night Sing at Bridge Street CoC.

May 23rd: BHS Graduation.

May 30th: Appalachian Glass.

May 31st: Day of Prayer & Giving for Children.

June 6: VBS.

June 28th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

June 28th-July 3rd: WVCYC Senior Week.

July 5th-10th: WVCYC Intermediate Week.

July 12th-17th: WVCYC Junior Week.

July 19th-24th: WVCYC All Young Week.

July 19th-24th: Texas Normal Singing School.

August 15th: Back to School Picnic.

August 30th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

Our Record:

Sunday Morning Assembly: 70
Sunday Bible Class: 44
Sunday Evening: 24
Wednesday Bible Study: 20
Contribution: \$10,000
(Budget \$4,000)

April/Anniversary List:

4-Emory Armstrong; 9-Gabriel Black; 12-Brandi Richmond; 13-Robbie Buffington; 16-Kora Hill; 17-Wayne Hartman; 19-Alan & Kelly Shreves (A); 24- Caroline Seyler; 26- Forrest Wright & Hannah Wright; and 29-Ed & Sharon Loy (A).



Prayer Requests:

Our Congregation:

Shut-in Members: Ken Fortney and Becky Britton.

- **Allen & Ruth Ellen Wilmoth:** Ruth Ellen is recovering from surgery; see their new address to send a card or to visit.
- **Debbie Anderson:** Having surgery on Monday, April 20th.
- **Evelyn Griffin:** Having gallbladder surgery this Tuesday, April 21st.
- **Joyce Wright:** Recovering from an infection.
- **Kathy Cross:** Was fitted for a heart monitor this past week; will monitor for a few weeks.
- **Charles Riley:** Improving from RSV.

- **Don & Kristina Riffle:** Kristina has been out dealing with abdomen issues.
- **Megan Jones:** Had a difficult week.
- **Cathy Hart.**
- **Chris Gawin.**
- **Tom & Nina Tucker.**
- **Jerry Maxwell.**
- **Ed & Sharon Loy.**
- **Allan & Erica Craig.**
- **Lois Jenkins.**

For Our Family & Friends:

- **Cheryl Kelch's mother, Kathy:** Fractured T6 & T7 when she fell a few weeks ago; doctors looking at cause of fall.
- **Kevin Fortney, Ken Fortney's son.**
- **Carina Hayes' mother, Valerie (Rachel's friend):** Has breast cancer.
- **Evelyn's brother, Okie:** Having back problems.
- **Harmon Family (Jerry's friends):** Wife & brother going on hospice care.

- **Nelta Conrad (Charles' friend).**
- **Megan Currey's father, Terry McCracken.**
- **Helen Isabelle (Debbie & Raymond's friend).**
- **Linda Grimes & family (Susan's Supervisor):** Linda asks that we continue to keep her & her family in our prayers at this time. She appreciates our prayers for her family.

If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin— Please email it to bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com or write it down and give it to Karen Seyler before Thursday.