

January/February Events:

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- ⇒ January 31st: Freed-Hardeman-Lads 2 Leaders training session.
- ⇒ February 1st: Singing Emphasis & Dessert Fellowship--Megan Jones & Cindy Moore
- ⇒ February 7th: CoC on Fishinger Road, Contemporary Concerns Seminar.
- ⇒ February 8th: February 8th: Card Decorating for the Shut-ins & Sick.
- ⇒ February 14th: Valentine's Day.

Today's Announcements:

- A big "Thank you" to everyone who came out and participated with One Day Lectureship & luncheon. Thanks to everyone who made food, helped with setup, and clean-up.
- Our Seasonal Adult Bible Class is Thursday mornings at 11:00 a.m. here at the building, (weather permitting) and continues through the winter months. We are studying the book of Ruth.
- January 31st is a Ladies' work day here at the building to clean up the resource room, and any of the classrooms. Bring your ideas and organizing skills to improve this room and to organize our resources.

Anyone interested, we will be meeting at Winnie's for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. before meeting at the building around 10:00 a.m.



Notes of Interest:

- *Our sympathies and prayers go out to all the families who have recently lost loved ones.*
- *"Why I Go To Every Service of the Church" (featured on the front page of the bulletin) is an old church tract published for Christian Tracts by the Haun Publishing Company, Pasadena, TX. The quoted text has been abbreviated from the original text to fit into our bulletin.*

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Deacons: Robbie Buffington, Adam Epler, & Rodney Sleeth

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Times of Service



Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm



Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

Bridgeport Church of Christ

January 25, 2026

WHY I GO TO EVERY SERVICE OF THE CHURCH

I go to every service of the church because: *(For these reasons)*

1. Jesus is there. (Matt. 18: 20) Jesus has never forsaken an assembly, and I want to be like Jesus.
2. I am made stronger. Power is given in worship to live a nobler life. At services, one is fortified from falling away.
3. God wants his church to grow. The church always grows when members put God first by loyal attendance. Growth of the church means salvation of the lost.
4. To set a good example. Many are looking my way and following in my steps. Any hour the church meets, my influence is with or against Christ. If I attend, it is for Christ. When I neglect service, my influence is for Satan.
5. To prove my love & gratitude. So boundless was the love of Jesus for the church, he gave his life for her. To be his disciple, I must also prove my love. Since God has given me a multitude of blessings I do not deserve, it is indeed a small sacrifice to return a few hours in public worship.
6. To obey God. The bible says, "*forsake not the assembling of yourselves together....*" (Heb. 10:25) The first Christians meet weekly & often daily. (Acts 20:7; 2:45; 19:9). ANY service where the Bible is taught, prayer is made, & God is worshipped, is good; and "*to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not to him it is sin*" (James 4:17).
7. To put first things first. "*But seek first the kingdom of God,..* (Matthew 6:33). Jesus said the church must be first to the Christian. Nothing could be so important as being a faithful member of the Lord's church.
8. It is safe to do so. Those who forsake an assembly wonder if they sin, but I know I am perfectly safe in attending every service. Yes, dangerous risks are taken in forsaking ANY assembly because Christ may return in that hour, death may come, a life of neglect may begin, & others may be lost by my bad example.
9. To abound in the Lord's work. I Cor. 15:58

The Motivational Factor of Faith, Hope, and Love

When Paul wrote to the church at Thessalonica, he opened his letter with these words: "We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers, remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thess. 1:2-3). In that statement, we see three things that can promote fruitful behavior in the Christian:

- **Faith** that produces work.
- **Love** that prompts labor.
- **Hope** that inspires endurance.

No Christian who has the full amount of faith, hope, and love will be unproductive in the kingdom of Christ. Do you want to be more fruitful in your Christianity? Then plant and grow seeds of faith, hope, and love and see what happens.

*Edd Sterchi
Broadway church of Christ
Campbellsville, KY*



Card Distributor: Susan Hartman

Greeter: Needed

Baptismal Garments: Cindy Buffington

Bible Class Locations:

Adults—Main Auditorium

Young Adults (20s-30s)—Mark's Office

Children & Teens—Downstairs

Cradle Roll—Downstairs

Upcoming Events/Dates to Remember

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February 14th: Valentine's Day.

February 16th: President's Day Holiday.

February 22nd: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

February 28th: Ladies' Lunch and visit to the Mannington Tea Shop.

March 1st: Singing Emphasis & Dessert Fellowship.

March 7th: Fishinger Road Ladies' Day.

March 29th: Prayer devotion; Fifth Sunday of the month.

April 26th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

May 17th: Friends & Family Day.

June 28th: Pleasant Acres Worship Service.

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

July 5th-10th: WVCYC Intermediate Week.

Our Record:

Sunday Morning Assembly: 78

Sunday Bible Class: 62
Sunday Evening: 45

Wednesday Bible Study: 16
Thursday Morning Bible Study: 6
Contribution: 4380

January Birthday/Anniversary List:

3-Barry Buffington; 5-Evelyn Griffin & Karen Seyler; 7-Phoebe Jones; 8-Samuel Jones; 9-Jacob Hartman; 21-Megan Jones; 23-Xavier Seyler; and 27-Kelly Shreves.



Prayer Requests:

Our Congregation:

Shut-in Members: Ken Fortney and Becky Britton.

- **Don & Kristina Riffle.**
- **Vickie Kerns:** Sore but healing well.
- **Ed & Sharon Loy.**
- **Allen & RuthEllen Wilmoth:** Both are sick with COVID.
- **Tom & Nina Tucker.**
- **Debbie Mowbray:** Recovering from knee surgery.
- **Terry Southall:** Will have knee replacement surgery beginning on February 17th; both knees with-
- **Joyce Wright.**
- **Evelyn Griffin.**
- **Gary Pastorial.**
- **Kathy Cross.**
- **Jerry Maxwell.**
- **Charles Riley.**
- **Allan & Erica Craig.**
- **Lois Jenkins.**
- **Michaela Hutcheson:** Mission work.

For Our Family & Friends:

- **Jack & Sharon Paugh:** Passing of Jerida Floyd, Jack's sister.
- **Drew Hale & family (Cindy Buffington's nephew):** Drew's father-in-law passed away on Sunday, January 18th. Drew & his family are frequent visitors here.
- **Sandi Schooley's father, Donald Gull:** Passed away on Saturday, January 17th, after a long illness. Sandi is a frequent visitor here at Bridgeport. Donnie was also Ken Fortney's brother-in-law.
- **Brandie Gardner's mother, Charlotte Pearson:** Has been placed on hospice care.
- **Rodney Sleeth's sister:** Had a heart attack and was at UHC Cardiac Unit.
- **Kathy Cross' friend, Linda Wilson.**
- **Matt Buffington's father-in-law.**
- **Megan Currey's father, Terry McCracken.**
- **Helen Isabelle (Debbie & Raymond's friend).**
- **Linda Grimes & family (Susan's Supervisor).**
- **Judy Stahl.**

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