

December/January Events:

- ⇒ **January 1st: New Year's Day.**
- ⇒ **January 4th: Singing Emphasis & Dessert Fellowship--Cindy, Cristy, Addie, & Syd Buffington are in charge.**

Today's Announcements:

- Our Wednesday night Bible class has been changed to this Tuesday, December 30th. We will resume Wednesday night Bible class on Wednesday, January 7th.
- If you would like to send well wishes to Staff Sergeant Andrew Wolfe, WV National Guard, who was injured during an attack in DC Washington, cards and letters can be sent at 510 South Raleigh Street, Martinsburg, WV 25401. Address the cards to Andrew Wolfe.
- Our annual One-Day Lectureship will be on January 18th. Mark has chosen three excellent speakers for the day. Please plan to attend and invite others to come. There are flyers on the tables in the foyers.
- There is a sign-up sheet for food items for the One Day Lectureship Luncheon at the Benedum Center on January 18th. Please label all serving utensils and dishes. Food can be dropped off at the Benedum Center at 8:30 a.m. We are using the upstairs auditorium for our luncheon. If you are interested in helping with set-up or clean-up, please let Karen Seyler know.
- Save the Dates for WVCYC! The dates have been posted for Senior, Intermediate, Junior, All Age, and Singing Weeks for this coming summer of fun, fellowship, and Christian worship. Mark your calendars!

Note of Interest:

- ⇒ *Special thanks to Cheryl Kelch for her creative eye and decorating. She updated and decorated the flowers in the auditorium for us.*

Elders: Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman

Deacons: Robbie Buffington, Adam Epler, & Rodney Sleeth

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December 28, 2025

How to Have a Happy New Year

What phrases are you tired of hearing? I asked this question once in a class and was surprised by the number of statements that came from the students. Among those mentioned was the simple wish: "Happy New Year!"

I must confess that I love to hear the phrase because it reminds me of the promises of Jesus when he gave us the beatitudes in Matthew 5:1-12.

Most English Bibles translate these sayings as "blessed is the." Actually, the translation more accurately should read "happy is the."

Substituting the word, "happy," for "blessed," we read –

"Happy are...the poor in spirit...those who mourn...the meek...those who hunger and thirst for righteousness...the merciful...the pure in heart...the peacemakers...the persecuted for righteousness' sake...when they insult and persecute you."

The world cannot comprehend this. What the world doesn't understand is, with Jesus, we can be happy even when we are humiliated, mourning, being meek, hungering, etc. because we have Jesus in our hearts.

Have a Happy New Year!

Times of Service

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

Larry Fitzgerald

Woodlawn church of Christ

Abilene, TX

Prayer for the New Year

Heavenly Father

As we step into this new year, we come before You with grateful hearts. Guide us with your wisdom and strengthen us with Your love. Open our eyes to the needs of those less fortunate around us. Give us compassionate hearts to pray for them and willing hands to help them. May we use the blessings You’ve given us to be a blessing to others. Help us grow in faith and serve You by serving those in need. Let Your light shine through our actions as we seek to do Your will.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen

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Card Distributor: Debbie Anderson

Greeter: Debbie Anderson

Baptismal Garments: Debbie Anderson

Bible Class Locations

Adults–Main Auditorium

Young Adults (20s-30s)-Mark’s Office

Children & Teens–Downstairs

Cradle Roll–Downstairs

Upcoming Events/Dates to Remember

January 18th: One Day Lecture-ship.

January 19th: MLK, Jr. Holiday.

January 23rd-24th: CoC on Fishing-er Road Ohio Winter Lectures.

January 31st: Ladies’ Work Day at the Building; Breakfast at Winnie’s.

January 31st: Freed-Hardeman-Lads 2 Leaders training session.

February 1st: Singing Emphasis & Dessert Fellowship.

February 8th: Card Decorating for Shut-ins & Sick.

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: Fishing 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 Intermedi-ate Week.

Our Record:

Sunday Morning
Assembly: 62
Sunday Bible Class: 45
Sunday Evening: 21
Wednesday Bible Study: 14
Contribution: 8360
(Budget \$4,000)

December Birthday/Anniversary List:

9-Rachel West; 11-Terry & Yonnie Southall (A); 12- Jerry Maxwell; 13-Andrew & Rachael Seyler (A); 14-Daniel Black; 15-Adam Epler; 17-Tom Tucker & Ann Black; 18-Tim Richmond; 21-Kristina Riffle; 23-Raymond & Debbie Anderson (A); 24-Millie Cate Currey; & 29-Curtis Sleeth

Prayer Requests:

Our Congregation:

- **Ed & Sharon Loy:** Sharon recovering from surgery; Ed dealing with migraines.
- **Debbie Anderson:** Recovering from surgery.
- **Allen & RuthEllen Wilmoth:** Allen is not doing well; RuthEllen going to the doctor about her shoulder.
- **Tom & Nina Tucker & Jim Tucker:** Are doing better.
- **Kristina Riffle.**
- **Evelyn Griffin.**

Shut-in Members: Ken Fortney, Becky Britton, and Jerida Floyd.

- **Joyce Wright.**
- **Gary Pastorial.**
- **Lois Jenkins.**
- **Charles Riley.**
- **Allan & Erica Craig.**
- **Debbie Mowbray:** 2nd knee surgery scheduled for January 19th.
- **Michaela Hutcheson:** Mission work.

For Our Family & Friends:

- **Ed & Sharon Loy’s granddaughter, Aaliayah:** She was not feeling well; Sharon went to visit with her; she lives in Huntington, WV.
- **Harley West’s sister:** Had surgery and now has pneumonia.
- **Kathy Cross’ friend, Linda Wilson:** Came home from the hospital; still not feeling well.
- **Brandi Gardner’s mother, Charlotte Pearson.**
- **Matt Buffington’s father-in-law.**
- **Megan Currey’s father, Terry McCracken.**
- **Mike Wolfe’s mother.**
- **Helen Isabelle (Debbie & Raymond’s friend).**
- **Jessica Judy’s mother-in-law.**
- **Linda Grimes & family (Susan’s Supervisor).**

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.