Serving Soo	n Next Week May 5	Two Weeks May 12
Worship Leader	Jamie Fee	Jacob Glaspell
Opening Prayer	Barry Bergsten	Dave Maxwell
Communion	Gregg Lowe	Len Moses
Announcements	Jimmy Williamson	Dick Moore
Children's Church	Shelly & Caden	Kara & Cinda
Sound Booth	Jamie Fee	Jordan Rinard
Nursery Attendant	TBT	Kelly W & Jenny C
Ushers	Jeff, Scott, Tim	Jeff, Scott, Tim

## Statistics

Attendance	Budget
Sunday Bible Classes 103	Contribution \$6,075
Sunday Worship 167	
Small Group31	
Wednesday Classes 53	

## Leadership

Elders	Deacons	Ministers
Jeff Eldridge	David Hubbard	Chuck Forsythe
Dick Moore	Kenny Hoyle	Jacob Glaspell
Gary Stidham	Shane Barker	
Jimmy Williamson	Jamie Fee	Office Manager
	Jeff Felzien	Ashley Eldridge

## **Meeting Times**

Sundays	Wednesdays
Sunday Bible Classes 9:30	Bible Classes 7:00
Sunday Worship 10:30	
Sunday Evening 6:00	

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Our mission is to bring people to Jesus and help them become fully devoted followers who demonstrate God's love through service.

# Sunday, April 28, 2024



# This Morning

Welcome Chuck Forsythe
Worship Leader Nate Strawser
Seek Ye First
I Come To The Garden Alone
Prayer Gary Forrester
My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less
CommunionJeremiah Forsythe
He Has Made Me Glad
Offering
Children's Church Kim & Kara
How Deep Is The Father's Love
Sermon Chuck Forsythe
Because He Lives
AnnouncementsBill Daufen





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# **Prayer: From Principal to Practice**

At a wedding rehearsal, the preacher was explaining the symbolism of the unity candle. "After the middle candle is lit," he said, "blowing out the two side candles means the two become one."

"Oh," someone in the wedding party exclaimed. "I thought it meant 'no more flames!'

Don't you wish that were true? Don't you wish a simple ceremony would take away all the conflict so people could live together in perfect harmony?

The book of Ephesians teaches God has brought us all together in one body. The blood of Christ has broken down all the barriers between us, and that we are now ONE in Christ. But living that unity is not easy, is it? Sometimes, there is a little friction in our relationships, and there might even be plenty of "flames" at times.

So how do we make it work? How do we live the unity that is ours in Christ? How do we put it into practice without so many flames?

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named... (Ephesians 3:14-15)

Because God brought us together in one Body, Paul gets on his knees before the Father. After all, when you bring Jew and Gentile together, black and white, slave and free, rich and poor, young and old, Republicans and Democrats, and especially Buckey and Bulldog fans, when you bring all these people together, you have the potential for a lot of conflict.

God has brought all kinds of people together in one body but getting us to work together is going to take a lot of prayer. The key is prayer. Prayer turns our beliefs into behavior. Prayer turns doctrine into doing. Prayer turns the principle of unity into the practice of unity.

## **Small Groups**

Group Jeff Eldridge 937-603-4269 Sundays at 6:00 Ladies Group Sharon Felzien 937-848-7641 Sundays at 6:00 Teen Group

**Jacob Glaspell** 

304-917-6912

Sundays at 6:00

Beavercreek

Young Adult Group Gary Stidham 937-728-4700 Sunday at 6:00 Beavercreek

Group Group Dick Moore ID Sandoval 937-609-3530 Sundays at 5:00 Sundays at 5:00

**Building Group** Jimmy Williamson 937-776-5021 Sundays at 6:00

Bellbrook/Xenia **Gary Forrester** 931-993-2080 501-827-0443

# **Prayer Requests**

**Dessie Neatherton** 

Charlie Avers

C. Philip Green

Charlie Lightle Garringer Family Jim Villinger

# **College Students**

Leah Hovle **Grace Beerbower Boston Begley** Nate Strawser

A.J Keys

Alexis Johnson Iennica Fee Madison Liles Shiloh Drake

#### **News and Events**

TEACHERS NEEDED: We are in need of children's class teachers for the Summer quarter for Sunday mornings ages 2s & 3s and 1st-3rd grade and a PreK teacher for Wednesday nights. Please see Jacob for any questions.

MEN'S BREAKFAST/WORK DAY: May 11th, a breakfast will be held in the fellowship and following will be a "Spring Spruce Up" for the outside of the building. See Jacob Glaspell and Nate Peterson for more information.

PULL TABS: Please turn in your Ronald McDonald House pull tabs no later than Sunday, May 12th.

**LACOMEDIA** - Friday, May 31. Church Basement Ladies, "Plowin' Thru". Cost is \$53 per person, due to Blanche by April 28. Sign up sheet is in the fover.

**HOPE RISING NEEDS:** 4T-5T pull-ups, Baby cereal, Shoes for boys and girls, size 7 and up & Boys gently used clothing size 5T

#### **SPRING QUARTER CLASSES:**

#### Sunday Morning (Auditorium)

James & Jude: Jimmy Williamson is teaching from the books of James and Jude

#### **Sunday Morning (Fellowship Hall):**

Temptations: Not the Singing Group: taught by Gregg Lowe

#### Wednesday night (Fellowship Hall):

(brown side) Joseph: Man of Integrity and Forgiveness taught by Dick Moore

#### Wednesday night (Fellowship Hall):

(white side) Ladies class The Well-Watered Woman by Gretchen Saffles taught by Arvilla Fee

## **Student Ministry**

# grow up, grow out, grow together

**GRAD SUNDAY:** May 19th, see Jacob if you have a graduating Senior.

VBS 2024: Save the Date!! July 14th-17th. This year's theme is "Our God is Awesome!" More details to come.

**Nerf War:** May 3rd at 6:00pm will be a church-wide Nerf War. Bring your Nerf gear and get ready to team up to win! Snacks will be provided. Sign up in the foyer.

Elmer-Parsons Youth Retreat: May 17th-19th. See Jacob if interested in going.

Lock-In: June 9th 7:00p-June 10th 7:00am. Volunteers needed. See Jacob to volunteer!

**Drive-In Movie:** June 14th. Join us for a church-wide drive in in our parking lot (weather permitting). Movie TBD.

Fort Hill Camp: Register now for Fort Hill! June 30th-