

Sunday, January 21, 2024

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To Eat of the Tree of Life by Doug Kashorek

Those made in His image walked with God until sin separated us and cherubim blocked the way to the tree of life in the paradise of God, the paradise where Jesus would be that He promised to the thief who died next to Him. In the last chapter of the last book of the Bible, we discover that access to the tree of Life is for those who "wash their robes" (Revelation 22:14) in the blood of the slain Lamb (5:9-10).

So, what happened at Ephesus? A coastal launching point for Paul's ministry to the Gentiles where he had spent two years proclaiming the gospel from the hall of Tyrannus, by the end of the first century Christians there were being persecuted terribly by Emperor Domitian when John wrote Revelation. Having survived Nero decades before, society had spiraled downward, outreach had ground to a halt, and those who remembered better days were a quarter of a century older.

Jesus spoke to them directly and commended their past efforts and projects done in His name, even acknowledging how hard it had been to patiently endure while not growing weary and giving up completely. Yet, He had this against them: that they had "abandoned the love (they) had at first." The harder it had become to live their faith, the more they had withdrawn—to the point where Jesus threatened to remove their lampstand if they didn't "repent and do the works [they] did at first" (2:2-7).

Sound familiar? Today, the seasoned saints who fill our pews recall better days of the past for the Lord's church—though it wasn't always easy in the decades before. They huddle within the walls of their church buildings and miss the generations below them while the storm of persecution rages outside—and they are tired.

The church at Ephesus no longer meets today, and churches twenty centuries later are constantly closing their doors. Jesus promises, however, that "to the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the paradise of God." Are you hungry enough to conquer?

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DEACONS

Randy Craig John Eckhart John Garner Chuck Jones Jerry Lemley Dan Mincks Jim Taylor

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday
Bible Class
1:00PM and 7:00PM

FACEBOOK

36th Street Church of Christ (Public Page)

36th Street Church of Christ Members

our prayer lis

Nancy Sams Don Ogden Pat Hill Paul McDaniel



Della Poling John Morehead

Roberta Williamson

Becky Eaton (friend of Karen Kibble/Julie DePuy/ Mike & Cathy O'Dell)

Lois Morris (former member)

John Daggett (Aidan Klingler's grandpa)

Georgia Grace Marlow (neighbor of Patty Lemon)

Wonder Ndoro's family (past intern here at church)

Jean Ford's family

Karen Mitchell (Charles Doyle's sister)

Mary Rose Talbott (Liz Hardman's mother)

Steve Wilson (friend of the Hoover & Hill families)

Our Long Term Care Residents:

(full addresses on foyer bulletin board)

Betty Armstrong– The Pines at Glenwood Apt 124

Lola Hitzel Rockland Ridge room 301

Eva Leonhart Eagle Point Room 105-B

Peggy Smith - Altercare of Summit Acres Apt 308

Homebound: Betty Logan, Helen Sweeney, and

Martha Nulter



Birthday and Anniversary

1/22—Sue Inman birthday

1/23—Jim and Jody Boone anniversary

1/26—Scott and Linda Wigal anniversary

As we begin our 100th year in 2024, let's dedicate ourselves to prayer during the coming year: on ...

<u>Sundays</u>—pray for the a<u>ss</u>embling church & its future

Mondays—worship our Master who makes all possiblé

Tuesdays—lift up all teachers of His Word

Wednesdays—wisdom & work of our leaders

Thursdays—help for our youth & growth

Fridays—our fervor & influence for the gospel

Saturdays—lift up our ministries & tools that serve



NEWS

Rews and Centennial

- The rough draft of the centennial book is done, and we have a month and a half to seek our members' input on certain details, pictures, pages, or sections before we send it to the printers. It's going to be a great memento of the story of God's people here in Vienna serving Him over the past century. Be sure to reserve one of the only 200 copies that will be printed today!
- Please note that we will do clothing orders again in the spring.
- We only plan to print 200 copies of our 100-page centennial book. You may pre-order now & receive a certificate of sale. However, sales will remain open until the celebration in May.



- **②** <u>Jan 28(Sun)—YOUTH—</u>Traveling Youth will meet at Little Hocking Church of Christ @ 5PM.
- **Teb 3 (Sat)** **Rescheduled** Widows Walk Planning Brunch will be held at the home of Doug and Angie Kashorek. They plan to provide the food, but if you would like to help and bring something, please see Angie. 24 Mustang Acres is the address.
- **Feb 5(Mon)—YOUTH—** Monday Night Merges begin for the youth. The first one will take place at North End Church of Christ @ 7PM. Pick up a flyer off the desk with full schedule.
- Feb 11(Sun)— Chili/Soup Potluck after morning service.

End of Year Special Contribution

We collected a total of \$4,524.00 to aid in the efforts of EEM and Disaster Relief. Thank you all for your contributions.



The Service Station is in need of baby wipes, laundry detergent and bleach.



We are still accepting coats, gloves, boots, hats, scarves, blankets and heavier socks for the cold weather. Please place the items in the totes in foyer.



According to Hebrews 12:23, we are part of the church or assembly of?

- A. the firstborn
- B. God
- C. Christ
- D. the latter days



Tell the correct answer to Sue Inman (and wish her a happy birthday tomorrow) for a prize.

Hey moms, dads, grandparents and KIDS! There is a new activity packet for school-age or younger children in the foyer on the first Sunday of every month.

Sunday, January 21, 2024 10:30 AM

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Song

Song Leader: Matthew Snyder

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Jim Kelley

Song After Prayer

Song Before Communion

Table Speaker: John Eckhart

Scripture Reading: Gary Grimm

Revelation 2:5-7

Speaker: Doug Kashorek "To Eat from the Tree of Life"

Invitation Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Terry Garner

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song Leader: Kelly Gibbs

Welcome Prayer: Jim Taylor

Scripture Reading: Jeff Poling

TBD

Speaker: Jim Shuman

TBD

PM Communion

Kelly Gibbs

Announcements / Closing Prayer:

Terry Garner

Ushers

Jim Taylor, Ray Hoover, Scott Wigal

Privileged to Serve

	<u>1/28/2024</u>	<u>2/4/2024</u>
Song Leader	A Klingler	J Houser
Welcome/Prayer	J Garner	J DePuy
Table Speaker	J Houser	J Carrico
Read Scripture	R Craig	R Hoover
Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	T Garner

Evening Services

Song Leader	A Klingler	J Houser
Welcome/Prayer	T Garner	M Hale
Read Scripture	M Snyder	R Kellar
Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
Communion	F Newberry	F Newberry
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	M Hale
Lead Usher	J Taylor	J Lemley

Usher 1 R Hoover J Poling Usher 2 S Wigal R Craig

Attendance & Contribution Week of 1/14/24

Sunday AM Bible Study: 51 Sunday AM Worship: 102 Sunday PM Worship: 45 Wednesday Bible Study: 56

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Contribution: \$3,851.85 Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

Direct deposit contributions can be made here: https://tithe.ly/give?c=1322070

Those Serving in the Military: Chris & Melanie DePuy, U.S. Air Force ☆ (son of Jeff & Julie DePuy) ₩ ₩ Brad Gibbs ... U.S. Navy \$ \$ (grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs) \$ \$ Luke George, National Guard (grandson-in-law of Anna Hart)

WTAP - Sunday mornings at 7:30 AM

