

A Newsletter of Beechwood Christian Church



Jim McLoud Minister

From Jim's desk

One of my favorite TV shows is on the Food Network. It's called "Chopped." I like seeing what dishes the contestants come up with when they have to use baskets of ingredients that I would never eat! Their creativity is amazing, and

they're really good chefs.

Invariably, one of the judges will ask a contestant, "What would it mean to you to win Chopped?" And the contestant responds "It would mean everything."

Everything? I don't think they realize what they're saying. To win a food contest would mean more than a relative conquering a dreaded disease? More than keeping your job so that you can take care of your family? More than your children growing up in a safe and loving environment?

What is important to you? Is it some accolade you get from this world? Is it building a large portfolio for your future?

How you spend your time and money will reveal your heart and mind. Show me your calendar. Show me your check register. Those two things alone will show everyone else what's important to you.

I hope that Jesus and His church place prominently in your priorities. After all, He came into this world for you. He loves you. The Cathedrals used to sing a sing titled, "When He was on the cross, I was on His mind." HE is our everything.

Church Etiquette

Years ago some unknown author came up with this outline, and someone posted it on Facebook. We share it with you here for your consideration:

- COME. Never miss church unless it is absolutely necessary. George Washington's preacher said of him, "No company ever kept him from church."
- 2. COME EARLY. Rushing into church the last minute is not conducive to true worship.
- 3. COME WITH YOUR WHOLE FAMILY. The church service is not a convention that a family should merely send a delegate.
- 4. TAKE A PLACE TOWARD THE FRONT OF CHURCH. Leave the rear seats for those who may come late, and for backsliders, and mothers with children.
- BE DEVOUT. The church is not a theater or place of amusement. You come to worship God, not to whisper, lounge, or sleep. God deserves our very utmost reverence.
- 6. HELP STRANGERS TO FIND AND FOLLOW THE SERVICE. If they have no Bible, share yours with them. Sing! Join in the worship! Don't just sit.
- 7. ALWAYS—REMEMBER THAT STRANGERS ARE THE GUESTS OF THE CHURCH MEMBERS. Treat them with the same courtesy as you would if they should visit in your home.

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FM Transmission

Our Sunday morning worship services are being broadcast on FM radio. To listen in, park in our lot, and tune your radio to 88.3 FM. Leave your headlights on and someone will bring you a bulletin and communion kit.

Church Information

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- 8. GIVE A GOOD OFFERING TO GOD. God loves a cheerful giver. Freely you have received.
- 9. NEVER RUSH FOR THE DOOR after benediction as though the church were on fire. Speak and be spoken to. Be congenial.
- 10. NEVER STAY AWAY FROM CHURCH BECAUSE THE CHURCH IS NOT PERFECT. How lonesome you would feel in a perfect church.



On December 15, the Sonshiners will once again visit the Pine Tree Barn near Wooster, OH. With over 40 Christmas displays, and thousands of ornaments and decorations, you'll enjoy every moment! And the restaurant is always a real treat!

We'll leave the church parking lot at 10:00 am. We hope you can join us!



November 21, following the morning worship. Sign-up sheet at the Connection Point!



Poinsettia purchase

It's that time of year again when we can purchase poinsettias in memory or honor of someone special. They will brighten the sanctuary until Christmas Eve, when you may take yours home with you.

A sign-up sheet is at the Connection Point. Cost is \$8.35 each, and the last day to order is November 27...



Join us on Christmas Eve at 6:00 for our annual special Christmas Eve candlelight service! And with Christmas Day being on Sunday this year, we have canceled Sunday School for just that day. We look forward to your attendance at our Christmas festivities.



Mondays - 7:30 am - Men's Breakfast at Heggy's Wednesdays - 6:30 pm - Bible study

NOVEMBER

1 - 9:30 am - Elders' Meeting

9 - 9:30 am - Missions Meeting

9 - 11:30 am - Lunch Bunch at Pizza Hut

16 - 6:30 pm - Last day for Wednesday Bible Study until spring

18 - 9:00 am - Blessing Bags

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20 - 12:00 pm - Harvest Dinner at church building

22 - 9:00 am - Blessing Bags

DECEMBER

6 - 9:30 am - Elders' Meeting

14 - 11:30 am - Lunch Bunch at Pizza Hut

15 - 10:00 am - Sonshiners to Pine Tree Barn

16 - 9:00 am - Blessing Bags

21 - 9:00 am - Blessing Bags

24 - 6:00 pm - Christmas Eve Service

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3 - 9:30 am - Elders' Meeting

11 - 9:30 am - Missions Meeting

12 - 11:30 am - Lunch Bunch at Pizza Hut

All times listed are times to meet at the church building, except Lunch Bunch.

For more info about the church calendar, you can access a full calendar from our website at beechwoodchristian.org.