### Lectionary Intro Fall '25

The Gospel of John

#### Theme verse:

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:6 - 7 NIV

### **OFFICE SCHEDULE:**

#### Pastor (Glenn Nofziger II)

- Monday & Wednesday Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- Saturday, 9:00 a.m. noon

### Secretary (Chip Coleman)

- Tuesday
   1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
- Friday 7:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

### LOOKING AHEAD

Mississippi Catfish Fry - September 13

Fall Fest - September 21 (rain date 9/28)

MCC Kit Work Night: October 8

\*\*Sami Squad Contact: Gordie Amstutz, 330/465-8007\*\*



## LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD - August 24, 2025

Attendance: SS - 89; Worship - 120; YouTube: 4

Offering:

Budget: \$3,765.00
MCC Relief Canning: \$100.00
Catfish Fry: \$250.00
CCS Tuition: \$600.00
Maple Syrup Missions: \$30.00
MCUSA Exec Board: \$500.00
Semilla: \$100.00

TOTAL: \$ 5,345.00

- Scrip sales 08/24/2025: \$790.00; '25-'26 Sales: \$13,190.00
- Balance in CCS Tuition Fund: \$30,080.94; Payments on the 15th of each month include \$2,900 (Fair Balance Tuition) + \$1,433 (additional contribution) = \$4,333/month or \$52,000 total for the 2025-2026 academic year. Your continued support of the CCS Tuition Fund is much appreciated!

\*\*If you are interested in being a part of a small group, please contact the church office.\*\*

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#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

Glenn Nofziger II, Pastor, cell 419/572 - 0706 Jeremy Patterson, Leader Lisa Amstutz, Secretary, Phil Raber, Mutual Caring Fund Michelle Steffen, Visitation



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Please place your regular offering in the container



provided inside the Sanctuary as you arrive for the worship service; bulletins are also available to pick-up on the table outside each week

#### Gather

Prelude

♬ His Glory And My GoodprojectedCall to Worship

Listen

Scripture: The Gospel of John Message: *Lectionary Intro Fall '25* 

□ O Praise The Name projected

Share

Announcements/Sharing

Prayer **Send** 

□ Seeds projected

Blessing

Message: Glenn Nofziger II Worship: Erin Nofziger Music: Worship Team PT Greeter: Michelle Steffen Usher: Dan Gault Digital Arts: Steve Zuercher Sound: Jude Patterson Prelude: Pam Taylor Visual: Donna Johnston Coffee Bar: Phil Raber

## Today's Activities:

8:30 AM Prayer - Young Adult Sunday School room

9:00 AM Fellowship & Coffee

9:30 AM Combined Sunday School

10:20 AM Prelude

10:30 AM Indoor Worship

**11:45 AM Scrip Sales** in the foyer following the worship service. See Ellen Nussbaum to purchase Scrip.

# THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

## Wednesday

6:30 p.m. MYF @ MRC building for supper & kits

## **Next Sunday**

8:30 AM Prayer - Young Adult Sunday School room

9:00 AM Fellowship & Coffee

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:20 AM Prelude

10:30 AM Worship

John 1:1 - 5

Creation By The Word

11:00 AM Coins Count Offering

11:30 AM BP Check

Message: Glenn Nofziger II Worship: Barb Ressler Music: Winfred Ressler PT Greeter: Lisa Amstutz Usher: Mike Lehman Coffee Cleanup: Lukas & Lucas Digital Arts: Ethan Ross Sound: Brandon King Prelude: Kathy & Rachael Troyer Visual: Juanita Ross Coffee Bar: Ken & Connie N. BP Check: Rachael Troyer

# **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

## **IN OUR PRAYERS:**

REMEMBER: Rich Horst: recovering from surgery to remove infected tissue from his foot. Remember Laurel and the rest of the family as well; Blaine Amstutz: praise for hip recovery but struggles with low cortisol and meds don't always make up the difference; Don Gable; Carolyn Zuercher: her foot is out of the cast and in a walking boot; Bernice Franks: moved to Westview Manor in Wooster, Room 509 and welcomes visitors; Arlin Zuercher: is recovering at home now and doing well; Kerrilyn Neuenschwander: recovering from surgery for a torn ACL; Marjean Lehman: transferred to Shady Lawn's rehab unit as she recovers from her fall.

THOSE IN MISSION: Linda Horn, Thailand; José/Alfonsina Oyanguren family, Argentine Chaco; Austin & Griselda Zuercher, Honduras

WEEKLY PRAYER EMPHASIS: Pray for Benin Bible Institute, an interdenominational leadership training school in Benin, West Africa, who begins a new academic year next month. Pray for faculty, staff and students as they open themselves to God's work in their minds and hearts.

**RELIEF CANNING**: For 2025 canning will take place again in the Gerber Building behind Central Christian School from October 20-23. The event this year will be an even greater exercise in faith due to the current lack of significant funds. Thankfully, MCC Akron will be providing an operational loan in order for Canning here to happen as scheduled. Please call/text Trent Metcalf at 330-465-4191 to schedule a time for your group to come. Walk In's are always welcome.

**SAMI SQUAD**: Outreach & Service is looking at renaming this mission for the congregation that has filled a gap for folks who need things done and don't have someone to help them get that accomplished. At the end of August the suggestions will be considered and a gift card will go to the popular choice. Place your suggestions in the suggestion box at the Welcome Center in the next week.

**BAKED GOODS**: Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you would like to contribute a baked good to the coffee bar on Sunday mornings. Items that don't require a fork or plates work best. 4-5 dozen is a good amount.

SCRIP: The RaiseRight/Scrip program is continuing at Sonnenberg! See the information in your church mailboxes on how to get started if you are not already using Scrip gift cards. Funds raised through your purchases this year will go toward additional support for the Oyanguren's and their mission work in the Argentine Chaco. See Ellen Nussbaum at the Welcome Center following the worship service each Sunday with any questions and/or how to get started using Scrip.

**ANNUAL REPORTS**: If you are a ministry leader or otherwise need to submit an annual report ahead of the Church's annual business meeting please do those at your earliest convenience so I have plenty of time to edit and put the reports together.If you need access to last year's report let Chip know. The annual meeting this year is Sunday, October 26. Myf will serve a fundraiser lunch after the morning worship service and the meeting will take place after lunch.

**MCC SCHOOL KIT CHALLENGE**: MYF plans to put kits together this Wednesday at the new Material Resource Center. Thanks for your overwhelming support. We raised and enough items were donated so that we can pack upwards of 450 kits. We were joined by Orrville Mennonite Church who donated 142 kits to the cause.

**CONGRATULATIONS**: On the engagement of Hannah Amstutz to Chris Geiser. They are considering a fall 2026 wedding. Congrats to Michael and Lisa Amstutz as their family grows.

**CATFISH FRY**: Will take place Saturday, September <u>13</u>. Posters for the fish fry are available at the welcome center. Take what you need to help spread the word to neighbors and friends. Sign up to help in the foyer or see Kathy Troyer. Outreach and Service would also like to invite anyone to contribute towards covering the cost of the Catfish meal. This would range from \$4 - 5,000.00 and is usually covered each year so that all proceeds go directly to support ministries.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**: As the next step in creating a new directory in 2025 we will be taking photos of each member and regular attendee. We will try to take care of as many as possible before Sunday School for the next number of Sundays. Please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center. Continue to respond to the email about updating your personal information.