

Sunshine Church Of Christ



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Sunday, May 12, 2019

Elders

Rich Book	820-3213
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Jon Coriell	820-6145
Wayne Gampp	820-3444
Tom Kelley	259-2258
Shaun McCray	935-9701

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Gabe Coriell	820-8652
Josh Coriell	981-6717
Rick Coriell	935-0717
Ryan Coriell	357-5933
Shawn Gragg	820-5346
Dale Kuhn	820-4690
Aaron Kallner	285-0738
Eric Miller	820-4944
Eugene Risner	820-2256
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Pulpit Minister

Dr. Jon Partlow	716-8741
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Family Life Minister

Jamie Riley	935-7812
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Youth Minister

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“... you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house ...” (1 Pet. 2:5).

The baseball diamond sitting in the Iowa corn fields is almost as iconic as the tagline for the movie, “If you build it, they will come.” Ray Kinsella, a failing farmer, heard voices telling him to convert his farmlands into a playground. They said he was crazy. They accused him of being nuts. Had he been in the sun too long? But he built it and they came. First, a slew of blackballed baseball players from the great beyond, or simply within the cornfields, emerged to play on Ray’s field. Then, at the end of the movie, a throng of spectators came to pay good money to watch these guys play America’s favorite pastime.

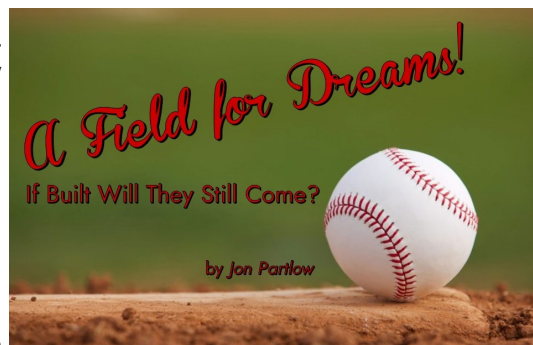
It wasn’t heaven. It was Iowa.

God is in the midst of a construction process. He’s not converting corn fields into baseball fields, he’s converting damaged people into a great house. He’s developing an organization, he’s creating an organism. He’s not building buildings, he’s building a kingdom one person at a time. In the process he’s hoping they’ll come . . . to him.

I love church. I’ve spent my entire life streaming in the lifeblood of church, and I’ve given my adult years to preaching in a local church. I wish building a church was as easy as converting cornfields into baseball fields. But like baseball, American churches are losing the ratings battle and under fire. Sundays stand in direct competition with so many other extra-curricular activities. It’s hard to choose church over a weekend at the lake, isn’t it? It’s hard to prioritize church when we’re worn out from a long week. It’s hard to prop church up as the best event of the week, when it’s clearly not. But I still love church.

When God builds his church, we can find a number of purposes or functions for the construction. First, he’s providing a community linked to the present and to the past. His church has been in play for 2000 years and when we gather we connect with the saints of old while we live in the modern world. We also connect with saints present and not present. When Sunshine’s group heads to Honduras, our gathering will be connected to their gathering, though in two different nations. We have each other. Church, and more specifically Christianity, was never meant to be an individual experience, but lived out in community.

Secondly, the church provides the means to express and nurture faith. When we assemble we have the greatest opportunity to vocalize our confession and beliefs. Our songs and prayers announce our trust in God. Partaking of the Supper visually represents our commitment to the Savior and to each other. With churches come multi-generational layers so that the old may stand with the young. Old folks get to witness the enthusiasm and hope of the young, while the youth get to enjoy the deep streams of faithful living. Like sharpening iron, bringing old and young together makes us sharper, not duller.



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Prayers For Sunshine Family

Cindy Coriell under doctor's care.

Dick Coriell has been moved to SOMC Rehab #2404.

Visitors welcomed at 3:00 pm.

Amy Graff emergency surgery from blood clots.

Home now.

Garnet Lindeman ongoing health concerns.

Beverly Norman recovering at home after second surgery. She would really enjoy receiving cards! Here address is:

2010 Henley Deemer Road McDermott, OH 45652

Special Members

Judi Allison Elbrooke room #535

Gene and Esther Crisp Riverbend #123.

Sarah Gililand Hill View, room #3223.

Merritt and Helen Hayward are home bound.

Ruth Morris at Best Care room #10.

Prayer Requests

Lois Boggs (Kelly Gampp's Mother) rupture

diverticulitis. Kings Daughter, Ashland room 5K54

Robin Book (cousin to Jon C., Rich B., and Price G.) is fighting cancer.

Derek Brothers scheduled to be deployed later this spring.

Pat Carr (Jamie Forbes' Mom) diagnosed with early onset dementia.

Nathan DeCamp (Rich Book's nephew) 101 Airborn, deployed to Iraq for 10 months.

Sheila Ferrell (Spike's sister) has a mass on her pancreas and is experiencing liver & kidney failure.

Kelly Hayward (Jeff Hayward's sister) at OSU.

Roger Radobaugh (Penny's friend) open heart surgery and valve replacement. **Connie**, his wife, is in stage 4 cancer.

Expecting Mothers

Melissa Rase—8/4

Mary Henry—10/22



5/27	Memorial Day Parade
5/30-6/2	Summer Work Camp
6/17-21	Vacation Bible School
7/6	Blood Drive

Sunday Morning Live Streaming:

<http://media.sunshine-church.com> or
<http://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You can simply pick it up before the services or on your way into the auditorium.

Blood Drive In Summer

The Red Cross will be having a Blood Drive at Sunshine on July 6. More information to come soon.

Sympathy Extended

Sunshine would like to extend sympathy to the family of Betsy Coriell, who passed away last Sunday.

Celebration

Chloe Lemaster was baptized on Tuesday!

Elders Meeting Together

May2019

Meetings:

Sunday, May 12 & 26 at 5:00PM

Prayer Session:

Thursday, May 23 at 7:30PM

Ray of Hope

A one minute spiritual inspirational message

Airing on The MIX 99.3 WNXT • Weekdays

7:20-7:25 am and anytime from 2:00-6:00 pm

(enjoy a repeated message on Saturdays anytime from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm)

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Sunshine 2019 Seniors

Sunshine would like to honor the following high school seniors:

**Aurie Coriell,
Talen Coriell,
Jacob Dresbach,
Bradon Foster,
Molly Grashel,
James Hallam,
Parker Jacobs,
Abbie Kallner,
Emma Lauder,
Paul McGaughey,
Abby Ruggles, and
Reid Shultz.**



If we forgot anyone please let us know!

Bradon Foster Graduation Party

Come join us for food and fun as we celebrate Bradon's graduation Friday, May 17 from 5:00-8:00 PM at Piketon Seal Twp. Fire Dept. 518 Main St. Piketon, OH 45661.

Coriell and Kallner Graduation Party

All are welcome to come celebrate the graduation of both Aurie Coriell and Abbie Kallner. The party will be held Monday, May 27 from 5:00-8:00 PM at Celebrations on the River (former Dick's Pizza).

Summer Work Camp 2019

Join us May 30– June 2 at Peace Valley Camp for an awesome packed camp with worship, games, work, and home cooked food. This is camp is free to all campers! Please sign-up in the foyer. For more information contact **Garris Coriell** at (740) 464-1739 or email 2k19workcamps@gmail.com.

Marriage Matters Seminar DVDs

We've wrapped up our 2019 marriage seminar with **Dr. Jerry & Lynn Jones** and we're now ready to offer copies of the seminar to anyone wanting them. If you missed a night, or just want the whole seminar to review again, please let us know and we'll provide you with a copy of the recorded sessions and the printed material packet to follow along with the DVDs. Please get with Jacob Miller or Garris Coriell and we'll get a copy ready for you.

Men's Retreat at Fort Hill

All men are welcome to attend the Men's Retreat on May 17-18 at Fort Hill. This year's theme is *10 Trends Affecting Churches of Christ*. The cost is \$50 per person and you can register online at www.forthillcamp.org.

Minford Memorial Day Parade

Sunshine will be participating in the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27. More information to come.

Wednesday Night Bible Class

The Wednesday night Bible class for children aged 2 to 3 years old has been suspended for the time being. Any kids of this age that are in attendance on Wednesday night will move up to the next class.

VBS Announcements

VBS 2019 Flyers

We've got this year's VBS flyers available at the Welcome Center, please stop by, pick up a few and spread the word!

Jobs for VBS

The sign-up sheet for VBS jobs is in the Welcome Center area, please look it over as soon as possible and get your name on the line where you can serve. VBS takes so many people to be a success that we need you!

VBS T-Shirts

We will be getting T-shirts for VBS. Sizes XS-XL are \$8, 2XL are \$10, and 3XL are \$12 each. Shirt orders must be turned in by the **deadline of June 2** to have time for them to be completed before VBS. There's an order form at the Welcome Center. Any questions please see **Jamie Forbes**.



Family Bible Time

Week 20 Text:

May 12—Lesson 247 Luke 12:22-13:9

May 15—Lesson 248 Mark 4:1-29

Week 21 Text:

Matthew 13:24-52

Matthew 8:18-22 and Luke 8:22-39

Those Who Serve

<u>Sun. Morning</u>	<u>5/12/2019</u>	<u>5/19/2019</u>	<u>5/26/2019</u>
Welcome	Shaun McCray	Rich Book	Don Coriell
Midservice Prayer	Jeff Vannatta	Sam Williams	Jordan Book
Communion	Josh Coriell	Rick Coriell	Ryan Coriell
Reading	Jason Coriell	David Deacon	Troy Gahm
Closing Prayer	Mark Gampp	Mike Gampp	Wayne Gampp
<u>Sun. Evening</u>	<u>5/12/2019</u>	<u>5/19/2019</u>	<u>5/26/2019</u>
Song Leader	Jack Jennings	Jonathan Partlow	Jon Coriell
Reading	Zach Coriell	Gregg Ferrell	Mark Gampp
Communion	Eugene Risner	Spike Ferrell	Dusty Henry
Assist	James Hallam	Adam Cordle	Eli Cordle
Prayer	Jared McCray	Caleb Miller	Matthew Partlow
<u>Wed. Evening</u>	<u>5/15/2019</u>	<u>5/22/2019</u>	<u>5/29/2019</u>
Song Leader	Jamie Riley	Greg Shepherd	David Deacon
Prayer	Rich Book	Gabe Coriell	Garris Coriell

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Early Worship - 8:15 am

Late Worship - 10:00 am

Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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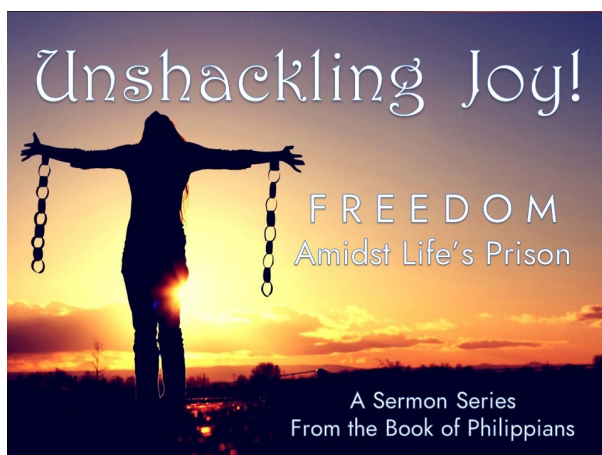
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Finally, the church is where God is glorified (Eph. 3:21). Our works are conducted, not to boost our name in the community, but to boost God's name. The world is looking for God, and his church gives the world some of the best evidence for God's presence. So when God transforms people we don't take the credit, but credit him for the work he's doing in our lives.

When the church is at its best, people will look for God in church. But the loyal community, the environment for faith to grow and where God is truly glorified must be in place. Only then will people ask us, "Is this heaven?" We can humbly say, "No. It's just church."

Soli Deo Gloria!

(i.e. only God is glorified!)



Have a wonderful day! :)