



Sunday Morning Worship Times

- 8:00 AM** Worship
- 9:15 AM** Contemporary Worship
- 9:15 AM** Sunday School For All Ages
- 10:45 AM** Worship

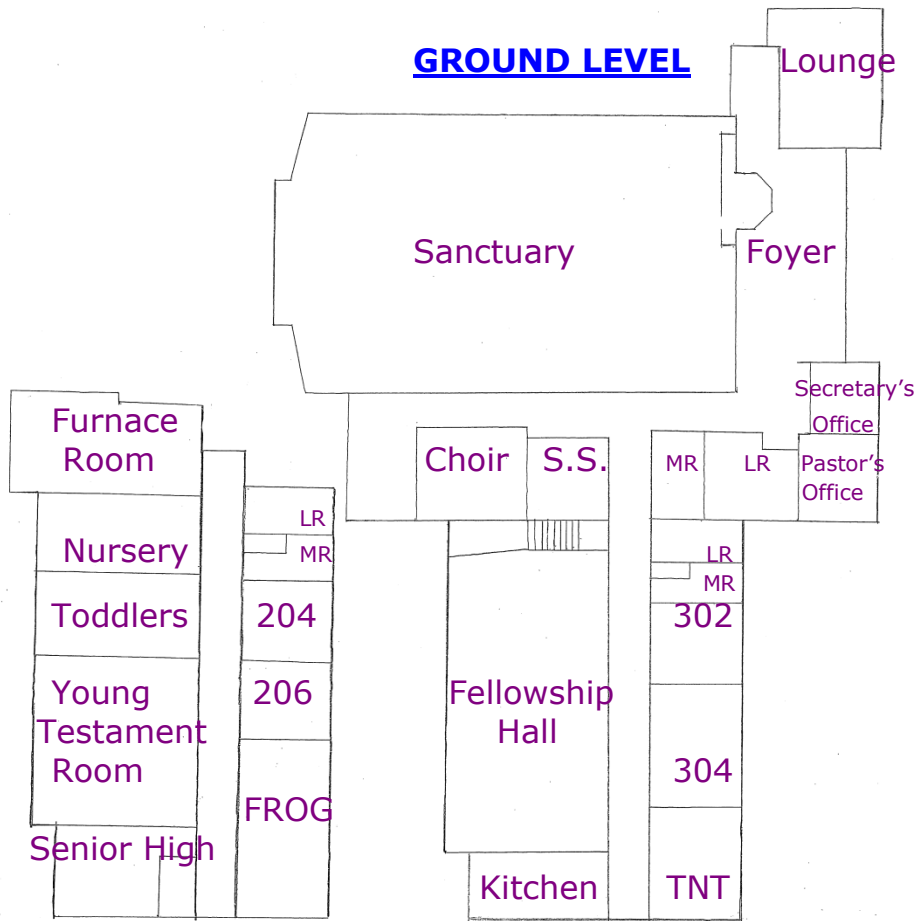
Thank you so much for joining us today! We are excited about what God is doing in our midst.

We hope that what is included in this booklet will assist you with questions you may have about us. We are here to help and work with each other as we follow Jesus Christ. Please, feel free to contact us about any additional questions you may have.

Our mission statement at the Wooster First Church of God is to glorify God through committed Bible-centered worship, prayer and service, faithfully spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We hope that you will come and worship with us again!

FACILITIES MAP



DOWNSTAIRS

UPSTAIRS

LR = Ladies Room

MR = Men's Room

S.S. = Sunday School Coordinators Office

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Proverbs 6:4 – Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Our Sunday School ways for children to make Christ the center



provides a variety of enjoy learning how to of their lives.

At 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall is "The Gathering Place" a twenty minute period of song, prayer, giving and an object lesson for all children from Pre-School through Grade 6 prior to going to their Sunday School Classes.

GRADES PRE-K – 6 9:15 -- 9:35 "THE GATHERING PLACE"
Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

GRADES PRE-K - 6 Classrooms 9:35 – 10:30

GRADES 7-12 Classrooms 9:15 – 10:30

2011 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS SCHEDULE

The Nursery Helpers Schedule is posted in the bulletin every week for the current and following weeks.

We use Cook and Gospel Light curriculum as well as the (NIV) Bible



ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday Evening Bible Study



Sunday Evening is Bible Study open to all adults. We have an open format, and work to apply the Word of God to our daily lives.

Contact Person: Jim Martin

Meeting Time: Sunday Evening at 6:30 PM

Location: In the Church Lounge

Wednesday Evening Bible Study



This is a Bible Study that uses the Bible as our textbook. We are open to everyone and seek to involve each other in the discussion. We love questions and seek to find answers for those questions. Come and join us as we seek answers to life's questions.

Contact Person: Pastor Arnie Kaufman

Meeting Time: Wednesday Evening (Sept.-May) 6:00 PM

Location: In the Church Lounge

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

8:00 Bible Study



The eight o'clock Bible Study group meets each Sunday morning. We study the Scripture either by working through a book of the Bible or studying a topic using the Bible as the basis for our study. We are open to everyone interested in studying the Bible and we welcome your preferred version of the Scripture.

Contact Person: Maryellen Thomas

Leader: Ken Thomas

Meeting Time and Place: Sunday at 8:00 AM in room 304

LPT (Love Purity, and Truth) Bible Study and Fellowship for Those Who Can Handle the Truth

The LPT Class is a Sunday School class for mature adults in retirement who desire a thought provoking study of the scriptures in an atmosphere of warmth and acceptance. Our class uses the Standard Publishing Quarterly as a basis for scripture lessons with a critical focus on our society, our church, and ourselves. In addition to Sunday mornings, the class has a social luncheon the first Thursday of every month. Members also call on each other informally to meet each other's needs for companionship and to check on their physical needs, too.



Contact Person: Bob Donelson

Teacher: Bob Donelson

Meeting Time and Place: Sunday at 9:15 AM in the Church Lounge

Young Testament Class

The "Young Testament Class" is a group of adults of all ages that are eager to learn what God has to say in His Word. Our class begins with fellowship and then combines a short presentation followed by discussion.



We endeavor to take the experiences of life and see how God's Word relates to us. We look forward to having you joining us as we look to God for guidance in our daily lives.

Contact Person: Alida Carter (330) 263-7932

Teacher: Bill DeRodes

Meeting Time: Sunday Morning at 9:15 AM

F.R.O.G. Class (Fully Rely On God)



We are a group of adults from 20's to 70's years old that seeks to study the Bible and apply what it teaches to our lives. We are not afraid to address an issue straight on. We have lively discussions that are respectful of one another.

Contact Person: Norman Boreman

Teacher: Norman Boreman

Meeting Time: Sunday Morning 9:15 AM

Meeting Place: F.R.O.G. (Downstairs)

TNT Class



The TNT Class is a Sunday School class for older adults in the 60's – 80's. We endeavor to learn God's intent for our lives. We use the Standard Publishing Quarterly as a forum to begin open discussion so we can apply the Bible to our daily lives. In addition to our Sunday Morning at 9:15 AM class time we support a missionary in Brooklyn, NY; two oversees orphans, and make donations to various church programs as we continue to live as Christians in this world. On

the second Saturday of each month we have a social meeting and on the third Thursday we have a breakfast.

Contact Person: Eloise Bolick

Teacher: Del Hackett (Virgil Nelson and Wayne Yoder as substitutes)

Meetings Time and Place: Sunday at 9:15 AM in the TNT classroom in the upstairs of the education building.

2nd Saturday of the month, in the evening.
3rd Thursday for Breakfast.

Young Adult Class

The Young Adult Class is for singles and couples that are or think young. The class is a discussion format for the exchange of ideas and how they can be implemented in our lives.

Teacher: Joe McNiel

Meeting Time and Place: Sunday at 10:45 AM Room 302 upstairs

JUNIOR AND SENIOR YOUTH



The Youth (7th grade through 12th grade) gather together weekly for fellowship, fun, food, and Bible study. We learn about each other,



learn about what God has to say, and learn how to apply what we learn to our daily lives. We aim at having a special event monthly. For example: all-night-retreat, bowling, assisting with Mountain Vision opportunities, attending a Christian rock concert, church camp at Camp Otyokwah, along with other opportunities as they present themselves.

Contact Person: Dan & Lauren Nolt 330 988 -2922 & 2921

Meeting Time and Place: Wednesday 6:00 PM – 7:30

Special Events: As announced



EVENTS

Living Nativity



The Living Nativity is just what it sounds like. It is a depiction of the events of Christ's birth acted out as you drive through in your automobile. In order to put this event together we need approximately 70 costumed people, along with animals, music, and lighting. This truly is a whole church presentation. The public is invited free of charge to come and be reminded of the true reason for the season.

Coordinator: Jim Martin
Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
November 25th & 26th
Friday and Saturday



Easter Celebration



The Easter Celebration is an event that is open to the community. We begin in the sanctuary with a short program that may include Puppets and drama, and some singing.

Then it is off for a snack, craft, and the massive Easter Egg Hunt (plastic eggs with wrapped candy inside). It is a great day to celebrate Jesus Christ risen

from the Grave. Come and celebrate with us.

Time: The Saturday before Easter.



VBS (Vacation Bible School)

Vacation Bible School is a time when Children become the focus of our congregation. It is a one week long evening gathering for children that are potty trained through sixth grade. We begin with an opening to set the evening, a class time to learn what the Bible has to say, a craft, a snack, a time of music, and a closing to wrap up the night. We take up a nightly offering that goes to a mission that is chosen on a yearly basis, and 100% of the offering goes to this mission. At the conclusion of VBS there is program that everyone is invited to. We look forward to seeing you and your children at this Event.



Funfair and Sunday School Picnic



The Funfair and Sunday School Picnic is an opportunity for us as a congregation and friends to let our hair down and have some fun. Once a year we have a party that is targeted at family fun.



There is something for everyone. We have things like a cake walk, 4 wheeler rides, food, and games. Fun for the whole family!

Sunday School: 9:15 AM

Combined Worship: 10:45 AM

Church Picnic: 12:00 PM

Funfair: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Come and check us out and have a great time!



Wooster Community Music Festival



We invite area churches and their musical groups to come and celebrate what God is doing in our midst. We encourage them to set up displays with information from their church or group.

This is an outdoor celebration, so bring your own lawn chair or blanket. We will have a different group or individual perform every ½ hour.

Free refreshments are provided.

We also raffle off prizes during the event!

Come and celebrate what God is doing in our community.

Contact: Glenda Cicconetti or Lynn Kaufman



MINISTRIES

Grace and Glory Praise Band

We are a band that leads worship at 9:15AM on Sunday. We range in age from 17 to 52. We have a desire to lead others into the presence of the Holy Spirit through praise choruses, hymns, and prayer. We meet weekly to practice and learn new music, share thoughts, ideas, and plans for the future.

Contact Person: Glenda Cicconetti

Meeting Time and Place: Practice on Tuesday 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Worship on Sunday Morning at 9:15 AM

Experience Needed: Ability to play an instrument or sing



Guitar Ministry

This ministry is for teaching young people to play the guitar and be an example to others. We endeavor to teach and train the next generation to participate or lead our Praise Team, Lead Worship at Camp Otyokwah, or just play to God's Glory. Each week there is a guitar lesson and as skills develop there will be opportunities to share your God given gift.

Contact Person: Glenda Cicconetti

Experience Needed: None whatsoever

Talents Required: Be willing to have some fun.

Choir



The purpose of the choir is to use our voices to bring God praise during worship. We are a fun loving group that welcomes all who desire to give God praise through singing. Come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

Choir Director: John Wood (330)464-1526

Meetings: Wednesday at 7:00 PM (practice)
Sunday at 10:45 AM Worship Hour

Men's Fellowship

This group is open to all of the men and boys of our church. It is an opportunity to come together, to have devotions, and to enjoy the fellowship with other followers of Jesus Christ. We meet monthly to have breakfast at a local restaurant. We also assist with various functions of the church: fun fair, Living Nativity, serve at the All Daughters banquet, and various work projects of the church.



Contact person: Jim Martin

Meetings: 4th Saturday Morning at 8:00 AM

We Care

We are a diverse group of people that consists of both young and older adults, and of both couples and singles who enjoy meeting and talking to our church family. We make visits to those who are in nursing homes, assisted living, home bound, and those in the hospital. We send cards and make phone calls to people within our congregation that are in need. We greet people at the door of the church, and occasionally assist with some transportation needs. We have two coordinators that work to meet the needs of our congregation.

We are currently looking for new We Care Coordinators. If you are interested please contact the church office at (330) 262-3691.

Men's Softball Team

We started a men's softball team this year! This was the first year we had a team in about 6 years! There were 12 guys that decided to play for our church's team this summer. It was a great experience! And it was fun to have such an awesome team of guys come together and for some fun and fellowship.

Everyone is welcome to come out for a fun evening of fellowship. Games are played at the Foursquare church field by Wal-Mart.



Come out and help us root for our guys!!!

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Dorcas Circle

We are a seasoned group of women that work together to assist one another and to work for the glory of God. We work on quilts to raise money to support the ongoing ministry of God in our midst. Contact Person: Beverly Thompson & Nancy Burkholder



Meeting time and Place: 4th Thursday of the Month at 10 AM, Church Lounge

Christian Crusaders



We are a group of women dedicated to spurring one another on in our Christian Walk. We have a Retreat with our Denomination in Findlay Ohio each year in March.

Contact Person: Alice Bahmer

Meeting Time and Place: 4th Thursday of the Month at 7:00 PM. Contact Church office for location.

Pack 'n Pray

We are a group of concerned individuals who desire to care for our church's college students. We accomplish this through sending care packages to them on a regular basis.

Meeting Time: 6:30 PM on the 1st Tuesdays of February, March, April, October, and November to pack care packages for our students.

Contact Person: Linda Reed

COMMITTEES

Program Evaluation and Development Team



This team is appointed by and reports to the Senior Pastor and Board of Elders. We meet at least once a month to provide evaluations for all ministries, boards, and committees of our church. We do this so that we can identify and communicate needs and opportunities, provide classes for leadership training, and supply materials that will most effectively bring our needs to the attention of the church. This way we can address those needs and better equip God's people for service to Christ. Members serve a 2 year term on this Committee.

Contact Person: Jim Martin

Meeting Dates: 3rd Monday of the month and as needed

Meeting Place: Church Lounge 6:30 PM

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

We will frequently hold fundraisers here at the church. Some of the fundraising events are to raise money to help our youth go to church camp or on a missions trip, other times it is to help fix or install things around our church building.

We had a rummage sale to help raise funding for the wheel chair lift!



We also had a cake auction to help raise funding to send children to camp at Camp Otyokwah.



The Lost and Found vocal group also helped us raise funds to install the wheel chair lift in our church.



CAMP OTYOKWAH

Otyokwah Camp and Retreat Center began in June 1947 under the foresight and leadership of the Ohio Conference of the Churches of God, General Conference. Its purpose has been to provide the setting and facility for fellowship, nature and ministry to people of all ages. Over the years at Otyokwah Camp and Retreat Center many people have come to know Christ, been baptized, made friends, had enjoyable times and made many memories. With a program based on biblical principles, many campers have been led to a relationship with God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ. Summer Camping ministry has consistently been an instrument to reach young lives with the importance of personal relationship with Jesus Christ.



Otyokwah Camp and Retreat Center is on 260 wooded acres off route 95 and 97 near Butler, Ohio. The camp is 16 miles southeast of Mansfield, 30 miles southwest of Wooster and 60 miles northeast of Columbus.

Mission Statement

Otyokwah Camp and Retreat Center is a dynamic center providing innovative services and opportunities for the evangelism, fellowship, education, and nurturing of people of The camping program for Camp Otyokwah takes place in June and July. Each week (Sunday through Saturday) involves a different age group; based upon the grade in school completed.

2011 Otyokwah Camp Schedule

June 9 - 11	Pioneer Camp - Grades 2-3
June 12 - 18	Sr. High Camp - Grades 10-College Fresh
June 19 - 25	Jr. High Camp - Grades 8-9
June 26 - July 2	Intermediate Camp - Grades 6-7
July 3 - 9	Jr. Week - Grades 4-5

MOUNTAIN VISION



Mountain Vision is an all volunteer driven ministry to people in Appalachia. We exist to reach out to the people there by feeding the children, providing Bibles, winning souls for Christ, and feeding the spiritually hungry. We accomplish this through working to repair homes, giving haircuts, giving Christmas Gifts to between 1700 and 1800 children this year, delivering

food to food pantries, and clothes to those in need. We have a warehouse in Moreland at the intersection of Rt. 83 and Moreland Road. It is a white building and you can place donations on the dock at any time. We invite you to come and be a part of this ongoing ministry. Please, contact us if you are interested in helping or need more information.



Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of every month at Wooster's First Church of God.

Contact Person: Jack Shellenberger (330) 345-8026

There are 17 different churches involved in this outreach project. In 2007 we provided 10 Semi-truck loads of food, furniture, and clothes. We had 12 trips for Christmas this year. We delivered just over 3 million pounds of food in 2007.

We hope to see you soon.



PASTORS and SECRETARY

Senior Pastor – Pastor Arnie Kaufman
E-Mail - pastor@woosterfirst.cggc.org

Pastor of Visitation – Pastor Ken Thomas

Secretary – Lauren Nolt
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Church Office hours:

Tuesday through Thursday
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Pastor Arnie's Office hours:

Monday through Friday
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

