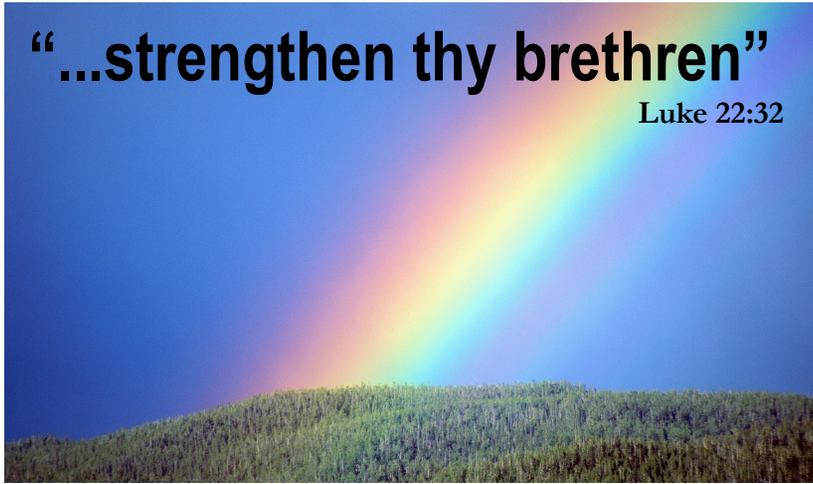


**“...strengthen thy brethren”**

Luke 22:32



Genesis 9:13 “ I do set my bow in the cloud,  
and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.”

## **CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**of Genesee County**

**5284 Fenton Road, Flint, Michigan 48507**

**October 6, 2019**

### **Schedule of Services**

<b>Worship...</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Bible Study...</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>

**Website: [www.coc-gc.org](http://www.coc-gc.org)**

## **P R A Y E R L I S T**

Joe Wilkerson-health  
Al Haskell - kidney problems.  
Marty Stearns- health  
Betty Crewse—health  
Cindy Dobbs-health  
Dan Goddard-serious health issues  
Wayne Timmons-health  
Joan’s brother Hurley and Opal, sister Christena Apostolico in Ohio—health problems, and Donna  
Chere’— Pryia, Adam, and Daniel Vannoy—health, grandson Bradon-had surgery.  
Bill Alldaffer—Edith Taylor- Bill’s mother, Cody Cantrell-coma, Tim Asbury—Medical Rehab  
Rachel Hall—health problems  
Cindy Atkinson—health. (knee), Cindy’s friends-Ireland Family, Wayne Hamilton, Kathy, Jody Rynca-cancer, Mitchell Larson and Walt and Ilene Davenport— health, Charles Brewer—brother in Geneses Hospital out ICU, Marie Hall—health  
Betty requests prayers for Earlene Currier-health-Betty’s Aunt, Betty’s daughters: Donna, Carrie, Susan Wills, Debra and Lauren Weidner-grand-daughter  
Ana Pyschar—Angela’s sister  
Joyce Harrison—colon caner—Betty’s cousin  
Joyce Artibee—health—Jeannie’s sister  
Mike and Vivian—Parks-Meade family—serious health issues  
Lisa—Gary’s mother, Patricia Stebbins— health issues  
Sharon Taylor- not well  
Allen Gregory—recovering from heart attack  
Todd and Wendy—mother’s health

Mike and Vivian will be in Kentucky. Mike will be holding a Gospel Meeting October 26-28, 2019



## Food closet: Canned Meat & Canned Fruit



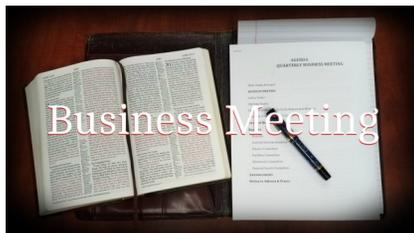
## Ladies Bible Class October 8th and 22th (10 am)



### SERMONS

**AM: Show Thyself Approved**

**PM: Nothing Too Hard for the Lord**



## Men's business meeting—October 6, 2019. Following Morning Services

### Why So Restrictive?

Here are some modern examples of unnecessary restrictions and infringements on believers.

1. Who says a congregation cannot select and ordain its own elders/pastors/bishops to oversee and feed the local congregation? (Acts 14:23; Titus 1:5).
2. Who says a local congregation cannot do its work without connection to a superstructure organization (headquarters, diocese, or board)? (Phili 1:1).
3. Who says congregational singing is to become secondary to solos, choirs, instruments, and professional musicians? Why can the whole church not participate in worshipping God? (Eph 5:19; Col 3:16).
4. Who says that a preacher has to be “called” and graduate from a seminary to preach God’s Word to a church? Is he necessarily better than one who studies diligently himself? (Acts 8:4).
5. Who says the unsaved become saved by prayer? (John 9:31).
6. Who says the priesthood of believers cannot partake of the Lord’s supper except monthly, quarterly, semiannually, or annually? Why deny members the weekly communion of the early church? (Acts 20:7).
7. Who says modern-day departures from the biblical pattern of the home have improved morality in our nation? (Matt 19:3–9).
8. Who says we should subject sheep to doctrines of human origin? Why not give them sound doctrine that pleases God and helps them grow? (2 John 1:9; Acts 2:42). Why lead members to worship in vain by corrupting God’s pattern? (Matt 15:9).
9. Who says we should divide members by teaching conflicting doctrines that differ from the New Testament? (1 Cor 1:10; John 17:20–21).
10. Who says not everybody can be saved and go to heaven? Who says one is required to have a miraculous religious experience to be saved? (John 14:1–2).

Why require more than the Scriptures? Let us all unite in simply obeying God’s Word.

—adapted from Steven Higginbotham, Knoxville, Tennessee from House to House / Heart to Heart

## GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

You must hear the gospel and then understand and recognize that you are lost without Jesus Christ no matter who you are and no matter what your background is. The Bible tells us that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) Before you can be saved, you must understand that you are lost and that the only way to be saved is by obedience to the gospel of Jesus Christ. (2 Thessalonians 1:8) Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6) "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12).

You must believe and have faith in God because "without faith it is impossible to please Him: for He that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." (Hebrews 11:6) But neither belief alone nor faith alone is sufficient to save. (James 2:19; James 2:24; Matthew 7:21)

You must repent of your sins. (Acts 3:19) But repentance alone is not enough. The so-called "Sinner's Prayer" that you hear so much about today from denominational preachers does not appear anywhere in the Bible. Indeed, nowhere in the Bible was anyone ever told to pray the "Sinner's Prayer" to be saved. By contrast, there are numerous examples showing that prayer alone does not save. Saul, for example, prayed following his meeting with Jesus on the road to Damascus (Acts 9:11), but Saul was still in his sins when

Ananias met him three days later (Acts 22:16). Cornelius prayed to God always, and yet there was something else he needed to do to be saved (Acts 10:2, 6, 33, 48). If prayer alone did not save Saul or Cornelius, it will not save you either. You must obey the gospel. (2 Thessalonians 1:8)

You must, with sincere heart-belief, confess that Jesus is Lord. He is Lord whether you confess it or not, but it is unto your salvation that you must acknowledge His deity and His ownership (Romans 10:9-10). This confession is the external expression of an internal spirit of complete submission to every aspect of His word and will. As with faith and repentance, confession alone does not save (Matthew 7:21).

Having believed, repented, and confessed that Jesus is the Son of God, you must be baptized for the remission of your sins. (Acts 2:38) It is at this point (and not before) that your sins are forgiven. (Acts 22:16) It is impossible to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ without teaching the absolute necessity of baptism for salvation. (Acts 8:35-36; Romans 6:3-4; 1 Peter 3:21) Anyone who responds to the question in Acts 2:37 with an answer that contradicts Acts 2:38 is NOT proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Once you are saved, God adds you to His church and writes your name in the Book of Life. (Acts 2:47; Philippians 4:3) To continue in God's grace, you must continue to serve God faithfully until death. Unless they remain faithful, those who are in God's grace will fall from grace, and those whose names are in the Book of Life will have their names blotted out of that book. (Revelation 2:10; Revelation 3:5; Galatians 5:4)

(From website of FOREST HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST, Memphis, TN)

## SUNDAY 10/6/2019

### Morning Worship:

Announcements: Marty Stearns  
Song Leader: Al Haskell  
Opening Prayer: Todd Penoyer  
Lord's Supper: Lead: Marty Stearns  
Assist: Bill Alldaffer, Todd Penoyer  
Preaching: Michael Golwitzer  
Closing Prayer: Michael Golwitzer

### Bible Class:

Song Lead: Bill Alldaffer  
Teacher: Michael Golwitzer  
Opening Prayer: Marty Stearns

### Evening Worship:

Announcements: Al Haskell  
Song Leader: Marty Stearns  
Opening Prayer: Marty Stearns  
Preaching: Michael Golwitzer  
Lord's Supper: Michael Golwitzer  
Closing Prayer: Al Haskell

## WEDNESDAY 10/9/2019

Song Leader: Bill Alldaffer  
Opening Prayer: Marty Stearns  
Bible Teacher: Michael Golwitzer  
Closing Prayer: Al Haskell



Genesis 8:22 "While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

