

Welcome Visitors - Our prayer is that today you will sense the presence of God in our morning worship service.

Our Nursery is available during the worship service.

OPENING THOUGHTS AND PRAYER Pastor Paul

CALL TO WORSHIP Praise Team

GREETING Greet your neighbor

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor Paul

COMMUNION

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER AND OFFERING

HYMN This Is My Commandment #600

SPECIAL MUSIC

MESSAGE Pastor Paul

HYMN Bind Us Together #690

The first and third Sundays of the month Pastor will continue his expository messages from the book of Romans. The remaining Sunday's messages will be contemporary topical preaching. Exceptions to this rule may occur.

Coffee time snack and cleanup

September 14 –

September 21 – Pastor and Pam Wall

Nursery Workers

September 14 –

September 21 -

There are many dates on the list without workers. Please sign up if you can.

Junior Church

Pam Wall - Remember to pray for Pam as she ministers to the children/youth.

Cleaning Church

September 14 – Mark and Deb Salisbury

September 21 -

Dr. Paul Wall

Sept 7, 2014

Main Scriptures Rom. 12:11-21+

Expository Preaching Through Book of Romans

New Gospel Commandments of Purpose [2of2]

The Kingdom of God is a mysterious and powerfully profound place. We are asked to enter it daily by going through the narrow gate. Today we consider new commandments based on grace/faith which please God and advance our corporate and individual purpose.

I. Rejection problem is still in the background as grace/faith supersede.

- A. Israel's abuse of the law problem, led to Christ's saving death. 11:26-32
- B. Mercy of God comes to all due to: *consigned disobedience*. 32; Isa 38:10
- C. Rejection of the old way of condemnation, switched to renewal. 12:2-3
- D. Seeking now to: discern God's will, recognize grace, embrace faith. 3
- E. Paul then composes: *grace, faith, gifts, love and honor, purity etc.* 6-10

II. Rejection reveals new commandments based on not condemning.

- A. Focus on being: positively enthusiastic for the Lord. 12:11
- B. Focus on having: joy in hope, patience in problems, prayer constant. 12
- C. Focus on contributing to the needs of saints, show hospitality. 13
- D. Like Jesus said, bless those who persecute you, don't curse them. 14
- E. Rejoice or be happy with the happy, weep with those weeping. 15
- F. Live in harmony or unity with fellow believers, in following ways: 16
 1. Be unifying by: not being arrogant or haughty. 16b
 2. Find ways to associate with lowly [lost, poor, in jail, homeless]. 16c
 3. Do not think of yourself as smarter than anyone else. 16d
- G. We still recognize the value of general justice. Ex 21:23-25
- H. However, now we more greatly recognize doing the honorable. 12:17b

III. Rejection leads to new commandments based on new law of Spirit.

- A. The law of Spirit, or the new way of the Spirit, doesn't repay evil. 12:17a
- B. The law of the Spirit also depends on your choices/self control. 18
- C. This Spirit law seeks to live peaceably with all. 18b
- D. This Spirit law works opposite of self-seeking revenge. 19a
- E. This Spirit law incorporates faith concerning matters of revenge. 19
 1. Never avenge yourself, use faith.
 2. Leave it or let it go by faith to the wrath of God.
 3. Understand fully that God does repay, He says so. Nahum 1:2-4
- F. Commandments lead to love for enemies resulting in burning coals. 20
- G. *Transition*: getting right by faith, to new ways, to respect authority. 13:1

Prayer Requests and Praises

Please **write** out your **Prayer Requests** (updates also) and give them to Carol, put them in the offering or place them on desk in Pastor's SS room)

- Penny---Ron Burch's wife (Biopsy Monday September 8th)
- Lochlin and family (Planning to move back to Michigan)
- Jonathan Lovejoy---Breastbone malformation
- Steve Fish (Adjusting to new lense prescription)
- Sharon Ann Whitford (Experiencing blurred vision)
- Kay (Needs strength and wisdom as she helps her son-in-law care for his four daughters---ages 10, 8, 3 and 1)
- Troy and Andrea Thomas---Family concerns
- Brian Whitford and fiancée Linda (Wedding planned for Sept. 20th)
- Jason Dawdy---(Health concerns and housing transitions)
- Amanda---Doug and Nelda's granddaughter (Family concerns)
- Barbara Springsteen (Health/medical concerns)
- Sharon Grant (Second knee replacement will be in January of 2015)
- Janine Denman (Reaching family members for Jesus)
- Jamie Balmer (Job transition and health concern)
- Annabelle (Court date in January. Caring for son and self)
- Sharon Cook---Margaret Nichols' daughter (Receiving chemotherapy for brain cancer)
- Patty Eggink---friend of Pam (Stage two intestinal cancer)
- Uncle Rob---Pam's brother-in-law (Serious heart condition)
- Ron Burch (eye problems)
- Marsha---John Ludtke's sister (Pray for continued improvement)
- Joe Marciniak (Recovering from serious health condition)
- Cliff Hastings and family (Health concerns)
- Greg Carpenter (Some cancerous areas are responding to treatment)
- Victor Braatz (Helping the local recovery community)
- Our government leaders and our nation.
- Safe travel for those making trips and coming home

Ongoing health concerns of:

Les and Crystle Bryde	Harriet Hall
June and Deb Fish	Charlie Harrison
Paul White	Sharon Whitford

Missions Outreach

Our Outreach Groups: Euchre, Tennis, Golf, Recovery, Music & more
Global Ministries missionaries around the world
Our ongoing CECL team--- Church Infrastructure is changing
Forgotten Man Ministry---Pastor, Pam, Ron B.---Jail helpers needed.
Every Child Ministries (Africa, pasties missions money is sent to this)

	8/24	8/31
Morning Worship	45	42
Sunday School	27	
Offering	\$1,054.31	\$1,333.01
Memorial Fund		\$
Missions (this week)		\$ 130.00
Needed weekly		\$1,490.00

ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRY

September

- 10, 17, and 24 Wednesday Community Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
Euchre from 4:30-7:30 p.m. with prayer time at 5:50 p.m.
- 11, 18, and 25 Smart Recovery group
- 7 WMF/Missions Commission meeting after morning worship.
Reports are due.
- 21 Potluck dinner after morning worship. This will be a memorial for Michael Perry. Team 1 is scheduled to help with cleanup. Roger and Sandy Carpenter and Lloyd Merchant are team 1.
- 28 Administrative Board meeting after morning worship
Roller Skating at Edru near Holt---Meet there from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

OTHER NOTES

Someone is needed to take the position of "person in charge" of the church kitchen. Carol will try to answer any questions you have about this job.

Food and beverages stored in the back of the kitchen refrigerator freezes. If anyone has knowledge of refrigerator repair, please talk with Pastor Paul or Carol.

SMALL GROUPS

The purpose for our small groups is to reach and help/minister to those without a church home and to encourage each other. (Matthew's approach)

Pasties Small Group will not be making pasties again until September. If you wish to join the group, talk to Sandy Carpenter. **Donations to help buy supplies are welcome.**

Euchre Outreach, Prayer Time and Wednesday Night Supper Groups meet from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Paul, Don Balmer, or John Ludtke for more information. The **Wednesday potluck supper** begins at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass.

Zumba Small Group meetings are cancelled for the summer. Margaret Taylor will answer questions.

Smart Recovery Group meets Thursdays from 6:30-7:40pm. Talk to Pastor Paul if you have questions.

Rock/Roll music group has begun and is meeting Tuesday evenings from 5:30-6:45pm. Mark Salisbury can tell you more about this group.

The Chief Okemos Sportsman's Club Small Group meets Thursday at 8:30 a.m. See Lloyd Merchant or Pastor Paul for details.

***The Tennis Small Group** now meets from 5:00-7:00pm Tuesday/Thursday. See Pastor Paul for more information

Church Cleaning Small Group: Please talk to Steve/Deb Fish about helping with this group. You need to be trained. If you cannot come due to lack of money for automobile gas, the Pastor will cover your gas from special funds. We want to add 2-3 new teams.

The Praise Team Small Group is meeting for practice sessions at 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. Talk to Deb Fish if you wish to participate.

Special People List September

- 11 Steve Fish
- 11 Kaitlin Krawczyk
- 18 Ali Harrison
- 20 Sharon Wheeler
- 25 Paul White
- 30 Lori Lovegrove

Think about It: The Bible is a guidebook, leading men (and women) to God in a personal faith. Like a map or guidebook, it will show you the way, but you must take it one step at a time. Billy Graham in Quotes, p.32

Pastor Paul's Office Hours: Normal office hours are M 1:30-4:30, T 10:00-1:00, W 3:30-6:30, Th 10:00-1:00. Hospital visits, funerals, and the like make his schedule change. Please call for an appointment, 517-285-6363 [cell].

Prayer requests, praises and announcements: Please give these to Carol by 10:00 a.m. Thursday.

WEST WINDSOR CHURCH

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST



Wow, what a **great Summer for our Church!** The tremendous garden, producing more than ever; and even our second and **final Kids Event**, watching an animated movie but forgoing a post-barbeque at Lansing's Sharp Park due to the threat of thunderstorms.

Now, we are in Labor season. Thinking about **advance orders for The Annual Craft Show**, talk to Pastor/Pam or Anna about Apple pies [\$8-10 each]; also Doug C. is looking for wood for Bird Houses or other objects he and Jim T. can make. If you have some wood that will work, talk with him [he of course, will have to make the final decision].

September 7, 2014

Disciple Hour, 9:45 am; Worship, 11:00 am; Evening, various times
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