



# Covington Church of the Brethren Weekly News

Saturday, October 22, 2022

**Scott Alexander** (Mike Alexander's brother) is taking daily treatments for his cancer diagnosis and seems to be handling it well.

**Kelly** (Mike Alexander's sister) also needs prayers as she was recently admitted to the hospital with severe health issues. The Alexander family is thankful for your prayers.

**Carol & John DiMatteo and Family** (including sisters, Kay McKinney & Jayne Hobbs). Carol has been released from Miami Valley Hospital after having pneumonia to continue healing at home.

**Venus Hurt** (Pat Lentz' sister) -Venus was taken by ambulance to the hospital yesterday. She resides in Kentucky. Dave & Pat Lentz are thankful for your prayers.

**Rick & Sherry Lavy and family-** Rick is currently at Story Point in Troy. Rick & Sherry are thankful for your continued prayers.

**Charles Merrow** (Elaine Kraus' brother) Charles has developed an infection in his heart valve. He is getting an antibiotic by IV which will be for 6 weeks. He has been transferred to a nursing home in Springfield for rehab and continues to receive dialysis 3 days a week. He is also struggling to breathe and is getting agitated. The family covets your prayers."

Blessings, Elaine

**Carol & Terry Minnich** - Carol will be undergoing testing Tuesday, October 25th, at OSU, Columbus.

**Kathy & Joel Miller** - Joel tested positive for COVID October 19th at Piqua Manor. Kathy does not have COVID but is not feeling well.

**Roger Rapp** (Duane Rapp's brother) is recovering from recent surgery.

**Steve Ringler & family** (Nancy Mack's grandson, Kyle Hamlin's father-in-law) - Steve is healing from a recent stroke. He lives and works in Cincinnati.

**Pastor Ralph & Helen Schaafsma** - Pastor Ralph underwent kidney surgery October 13.

**Brooks Smith & Family** -Brooks is experiencing serious life difficulties and needs prayers for guidance, life direction, and safety. Brooks' step-mother is Angie Smith (Wayne and Sharon Marshall's daughter). Brooks' father is Angie's husband, John Smith. The Smiths and the Marshalls greatly appreciate your prayers.

**Gregory Swob** (great-great-grandson of Esther Fields), grandmother Teresa Swob, and parents Briana & Dillon Swob. Gregory's recent surgery, at Children's Medical Center, was only 1/2 completed but this portion was successful. The second 1/2 of the surgery will be tentatively planned in approx. 30 days.

**Pam Williamson** (Martha Nevin's sister) is waiting to find out a diagnosis for cancer. She was married in our church a couple of years ago. Marty lost her oldest sister a year ago to cancer, so all is fearful. Please pray also for husband Jack, and daughter Brittany.

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## Continued Prayers:

*(In an effort to keep this continual prayer list active, we ask for your help in sharing prayer updates for your love ones and friends every 30 days.)*

Beverly Beckner, Dave & Linda Berrett, Roberta Brock, Ted & Rhonda Brumbaugh, Linda Dearth, Chad Davis, Courtney and their newborn baby boy. Erick Delgado, Debbie Harvey, Bill Jackson, Regina Lewis, Bruce Martin, Larry Minnich, Dean & Martha Nevin, Linda Newman, and Tristen, Jim Perry, Dwane & Rose Ann Runyan, Mike & Carol Sawyer, Marie Stanfield, Dave Thomas, Sandy & Dave Wells, Norman & Virginia Wolfe, Sam Woods, Mark & Roz Yantis, Sheron Zimmer, Carolyn Zorn. In the military: Tyler Lambert, Prayers for the people of Ukraine.

## To Share Prayer Updates:

Please contact Cindy at (937) 448-0100 or e-mail [covingtoncob@gmail.com](mailto:covingtoncob@gmail.com). Thank you.



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*Curtis Beckner*

**Our love, prayers and sympathy are expressed to Beverly Beckner (wife), family and friends at the death of Curtis Beckner, who passed away October 13th at Ohio Hospice of Miami County.**

Visitation will be held at the Piqua Church of the Nazarene, 400 South Sunset from 5:00-6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25. A celebration of his life will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Lincoln Robinson officiating.

To read the entire obituary:

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/miamivalleytoday/name/curtis-beckner-obituary?id=36852269>

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## **Mark Your Calendar!**

Covington COB Noodles & Apple Dumpling Event will be held Saturday, November 12th. Watch for more details later!

**The Southern Ohio District Office** encourages us to be in prayers this week for Union City Church of the Brethren.

**A Congregational Business Meeting** will be held November 13, 2022 in the church sanctuary following morning worship.

**The Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. at Buffalo Jack's. No reservations are required. Please join us.

**Next Church Meetings - December 14, 2022**

5:00 p.m. - Trustees Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Church Board Meeting

## **Annual Thanksgiving Dinner**

Covington Christian Church will again this year be preparing the annual Thanksgiving Dinner drive thru on Wed., Nov 23rd. Our church will be furnishing some of the needed dinner rolls.

The general public will need to pick up tickets on Monday thru Thursday between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. There will be a limit of two tickets per person. These tickets will then be presented on Wed., Nov. 2nd between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The Christian Church would like to have the list of names and the number of meals that our Church would like to reserve for the elderly and shut-ins. Please call Kay at 937 473-2767 or 937 570-8931 by Nov 1st so your meals can be reserved.

Meals will be delivered by our church members to the elderly and shut-ins. Please be sure to call as they plan to prepare 225 meals this year. We will need to get our list to them early to reserve your meals.

If you have any questions, please call Kay.  
Thank you.

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**To Receive Prayer and Church Messages** via Text Message to your cell phone, please contact [covingtoncob@gmail.com](mailto:covingtoncob@gmail.com) or call Cindy at (937) 448-0100. The set up takes less than an minute and I will help you.  
Thank you, Cindy

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## **Covington Church of the Brethren Morning Worship Service**

<https://www.covingtoncob.org/livestreaming-worship>

## **The Weekly News**

<https://www.covingtoncob.org/newsline>



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## **National Pastor Appreciation Day, October 9, 2022 ...Honoring Pastor Mike & Belinda.**

Pastor Mike, you came here entrusted to be the spiritual leader of this congregation. And with Belinda standing beside you and with you...joined together to do God's work. This can be a very overwhelming task and one that can lead to a lot of stress, late nights, and lots of coffee.

We, as your church family, are so blessed to have you serve not only here in the Church but outside the church walls whether it be at ballgames, dance recitals, band and chorus concerts, your many visits to the hospitals, care centers, calls to shut-ins.....all of that and more...you serve us and meet the needs and concerns of many.

With Belinda teaching a Sunday School class, conducting the children's story time and helping with readings at different services, plus serving as our delegate at Church conference. You are joined together to do God's work. And while you are serving us, we, the congregation, should all remember that you, too, have a family. I wouldn't attempt to guess how many times you have been called away from a family dinner or special family event to comfort and/or meet the needs of one of your church family members.

Thank you Belinda, Alyssa, Sydney, Crystal, Brad and family for sharing your husband,



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***A big thank you to everyone for the wonderful  
Clergy Appreciation Month surprise on October 9th.***

***We were completely taken by surprise. The kind  
words, the gifts, the cake and the cards of  
appreciation were an incredible blessing to us.***

***We are truly blessed to be part of this loving, caring,  
praying faith family that is Covington Church of the  
Brethren. Again, thank you to everyone!***

***Pastor Mike and Belinda Yingst***

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## Looking Ahead:

**October 23** – Luke 18: 9-14

“Power in Prayer: Part 2”

**October 30** – Our Guest Preacher will be

Pastor Barbara Menke.

Pastor Mike will be on vacation

10/24 – 10/30.

**November 6** – 2 Corinthians 9:10-12

“Overflowing Generosity”

We will offer gratitude to our Veteran’s  
and CO’s during worship.

**November 13** - Luke 20:27-38

“For All Eternity”

**November 20** - Our Guest Preacher will be

Nick Beam (Interim District Executive).

Pastor Mike will be on vacation

11/14 – 11/20.

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## Please Note:

If you have any Repair & Maintenance  
concerns for the church please contact  
one of the following people:

### Trustees

Carolyn Wolfe

Home# (937) 526-4852

Cell# (937) 418-3034

Mel Longendelpher

Home# (937) 753-1198

Cell# (937) 776-3812

Terry Minnich

Home# (937) 473-5183

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## Would you like a little help raking leaves and cleaning your flower beds this fall?

There are some very kind volunteers from General Film who would like to help those who attend our church, that may need help this fall with raking leaves and/or flower bed clean up. They are striving to continue the generosity of Roy Weikert. If you would like help with your fall yard raking and flower bed clean up, please contact me (Cindy) at (937) 448-0100 (cell#) to be put on the list. They would love to help you!

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## “Pet Friendly Prayer Chain”

Please call:

Office# (937) 473-2415

Cindy’s Cell# (937) 448-0100

E-mail covingtoncob@gmail.com

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We are writing to share that Virginia & Norman Wolfe's loving cat, Pookie, passed over the rainbow bridge this yesterday (10/21). Please pray for strength and comfort for Virginia & Norm as they work through this difficult time. Thank you.

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## October Birthdays

10/22 Phyllis Rapp

10/23 Charles Nickel

10/27 Erin Gibson

10/31 Hailey Yingst

10/31 Sydney Goodgame

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- HOT CHOCOLATE
- BLUSTERY
- FIREPLACE
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- FROSTY
- TRACTORS
- CRISP
- INSPIRATIONAL
- HALLOWEEN
- CORN STALKS
- FALL COLORS
- BAKING PIE
- HAY RIDES
- FRIENDSHIP
- LEAVES
- SPOOKY
- PUMPKINS
- SEASONAL

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