



### Sept Birthdays:

Jeanne Strawn -1<sup>st</sup>, Mary Jones – 5<sup>th</sup>, Jim Thornburg - 7<sup>th</sup>, Jeff Lewis, Riley Helmick – 13<sup>th</sup>, Josh Eagon - 15<sup>th</sup>, Cary Leach - 17<sup>th</sup>, Judy Lucas – 20<sup>th</sup>, Wesley Lewis - 21<sup>st</sup>, Jeremy Hall – 23<sup>rd</sup>, Dee Dee – 24<sup>th</sup>, Mary Lou Carpenter - 25<sup>th</sup>, Blake Burkhart – 29<sup>th</sup> Carl Lewis - 30<sup>th</sup>

Duty Roster	Sunday AM	Sun PM	Wed
Announcement	Matt Palmer	Matt Palmer	Ty Leach
Opening Prayer	Cary Leach	Jeremy Hall	Jeff Lewis
Song Leader	Jake Leach	Jeff Lewis	Rick Lucas
Preside Table	Josh Eagon	Matt Palmer	
Bread Fruit of vine Offering Bulletins	Jared Kernen Nathan Anderson Eric Kernen Gary Lucas Jr		
Script Reading	Easton Hall	Colby Strawn	
Lesson / Inv.	Rick Lucas	Dale Leach	Jake Leach
Closing Prayer	Koen Eagon	Gary Lucas Jr	Jim Thornburg



Building Lockup: Jeff Lewis & Josh Eagon

### Meeting Times

**Sunday:** Bible Study – 9:30 am  
Worship – 10:30 am  
**Sunday Evening:** Worship: 6:00 pm  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study & Worship – 7:00 pm

Anyone wishing to be baptized please contact one of the elders or deacons .

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WEST MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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# West Main Anchor

Hebrews 6:19a Which *hope* we have as an *anchor* of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil

## Today's Lesson: **Pillar and Ground of the Truth!**



### **1 Tim 3: 15-16**

15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the **pillar** and **ground** of the **truth**.

16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.



### **WHEN YOU PRAY, PLEASE REMEMBER:**

Dee Dee, Greg Wehr, Kodee Leach, Betty Eddy, Ida Blatt, Connie Willison, Mary Jones, Vivian Anderson, Allen Withrow.

### Study the Bible

*Would you like to be more familiar with the scriptures?  
Ask us about our Bible correspondence program.*

## Gideon Learns to Trust God

by Mark Glenn

Our e-bulletin text today comes from Judges 6 and 7 as these chapters record the events which brought Gideon to complete trust in God. As we speak this month about courageous love, we need to be reminded that one of the most important ingredients of courageous love is trust in God. As His children, we are willing to go to war in His army because we trust that He is with us, that He works all things for good and that he hears our prayers, Consider these points from the lessons in Gideon's life.

God had work for Gideon to do that would take courageous love including great trust in God. We like Gideon have much to do for God. Not only does it require dedication to persevere in our work, but we also must trust. Seeking God first sometimes involves risking our job or a friendship. But not seeking him first always risks our soul (actually loses it).

God proved himself to Gideon. When Gideon questioned God about whether it was really Him speaking and wanted to see God's power manifested, God obliged. God has always been willing to be put to the test (1 Thess. 5:21).

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West Main Street CoC's Zoom Meeting Room

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In providing us the world as proof of His existence and His Word with all of its many avenues that prove itself to be His word, we can confidently believe and trust God.

Gideon's full trust came with experience by proof. Many do not give God a chance. We limit God with our lack of faith and willingness to accept the abundant proofs which he Has made available. God has never asked for blind faith, but he does expect reasoned acceptance of the obvious, i.e. His existence and the truth of the Bible.

God measures by a different standard. I am sure that from Gideon's viewpoint, he wanted all the men he had (and more) to fight the Midianites whose numbers were as "grasshoppers for multitude." Even the souls under the altar in Revelation 6:10 were seeing that they were defeated until God took a hand. But for God, every soul that died for faith was a victory (Rev. 14:13). Let us try to learn God's word so well that we judge from His viewpoint if we can.

God plus His army, though small, is always victorious. Man does not always think about the part that God can play in any righteous endeavor and often we think very small. God sees great victories with small numbers. He never forgets that He is the one who make the difference in victory and defeat. Romans 8:31, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" We can trust that God always takes care of us, in life or death. We can have courageous love.

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