

NORTH BENTON CHURCH

NEWS



North Benton Presbyterian Church

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Happy Tenth Month to you all,
 Yes, it is October already. The most colorful time of the year. The trees on the west side of the church are beautiful this morning as I write to you. Just like the people on the inside of the church.

I came across something that keeps going through my mind ever since I first read it. It comes from the heart of Bob Burdette in his writing "The Golden Day."

I kept thinking that it would be good for me to write about it in my letter to you, but I could not come up with something that was so good. So, here it is from Bob Burdette himself:

There are two golden days in the week, upon which, and about which, I never worry—two carefree days, kept sacredly free from fear and apprehension. One of these days is Yesterday; Yesterday, with its cares and frets, all its pains and aches, all its faults, mistakes, and blunders, has passed forever beyond my recall. I cannot undo an act that I wrought nor unsay a word that I said.

All that it holds of my life, of wrong, regret, and sorrow, is in the hands of the Mighty Love that can bring honey out of the rock and sweetest waters out of the bitterest desert. Save for the beautiful memories—sweet and tender—that linger like the perfume of roses in the heart of that day that is gone, I have nothing to do with Yesterday.

It was mine! It is now God's!

The other day that I do not worry about is Tomorrow; Tomorrow, with all its possible adversities, its burdens, its perils, its large promise and poor performance, its failures and mistakes, is as far beyond my mastery as its dead sister, Yesterday.

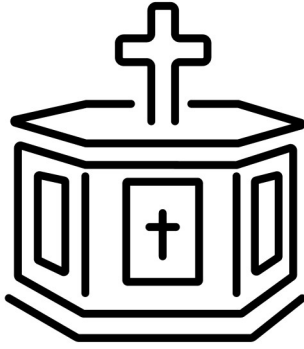
It is a day of God's. Its sun will rise in roseate splendor or behind a mask of weeping clouds—but it will rise. Until then, the same Love and Patience that held Yesterday holds Tomorrow. Save for the star of hope that gleams forever on the brow of Tomorrow, shining with tender promise into the heart of Today, I have no possession in that unborn day of grace. All else is in the safe keeping of the Infinite Love that is higher than the stars, wider than the skies, deeper than the seas. Tomorrow is God's day! It will be mine!"

Thanks, Bob, for those words. I have something to add to that. An even better day of the week, TODAY. Today is a gift from God. That is why we call it the PRESENT! Enjoy today. It is a day that gives us opportunities to get closer to God and to one another, to enjoy this October weather and to live!

May God continue to bless you this day and every day!

Pastor Herb





Let's Celebrate

Sermon scripture, themes and titles for October, 2005.

One of the great signs of life is whether or not you are growing. Are you growing in your faith. Our sermons for October deal with how to grow as a Christian.

October 5, 2025. Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. "Growing Through Assurance" is the sermon based on Romans 8: 16. This sermon will help us see how to be assure you are a Christian.

October 12, 2025. Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Revelation 4: 11 will be the scripture basis for the sermon "Growing Through Knowledge." You know noting until you know who God is.

October 19, 2025. Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost. How to know the Bible is the theme for the sermon :Growing Through Scripture" based on First Peter 2: 2.

October 26, 2025. Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. I never met someone who says they wished they hadn't prayed so much. Our sermon "Growing Through Prayer" will show us how to be effective in prayer. The sermon is based on Philipians 4: 6.

Come grow with us!

October 2025

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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|-------|---------------------------|---|
| 10/2 | Michael Collins | |
| | Tom/Heidi Phillips |  |
| | Jim/Margaret Hilles |  |
| 10/3 | Joshua Ruffier | |
| 10/5 | Doug Shields | |
| | Ethan Evans |  |
| 10/8 | Gary/Beth Leininger |  |
| | Cindy Gaines | |
| | Chris/Sharon Fay |  |
| 10/9 | Anthony Collins | |
| 10/12 | Nicole Kampfer | |
| 10/13 | Roger Pritchard |  |
| 10/14 | Ted/Marvilla Miller |  |
| 10/15 | Dutch/Becky Wilson |  |
| | David Franklin Jr. | |
| 10/19 | Jennifer Tedrow | |
| 10/23 | Jamie Pierce | |
| 10/24 | Marian Gainor | |
| | Ava Evans | |
| 10/26 | Michele Randlett | |
| | Denton/Marilyn Herron |  |
| | John Paul Bates | |
| 10/28 | Marvilla Miller | |
| | Savanna (Franklin) Fisher | |
| 10/29 | Barb Martin | |
| | Michelle Baldwin | |
| 10/30 | Marcus Phillips | |

OFFERING/ATTENDANCE

August 2025

	Offering	Attendance
8/3/25	558.00	36
8/10/25	1338.52	32
8/17/25	930.50	40
8/24/25	1265.50	24
8/31/25	496.50	21

DEACON GREETERS

October 2025

Cindy Ruffier
Barb Franklin

Coffee & Pastry

October 5, 2025
9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.



CONTINUED PRAYER

Nursing Home/Homebound

Dan Rowe

(Essex #1 Salem, Rm. # 210, Salem, OH 44460)

Ongoing Health Concerns

Denton Herron, Jim Hilles, Stan Jozwiakowski,
Sandy Jozwiakowski, Val Winters, and Paul Bates

FAMILIES FOR PRAYER BECAUSE WE CARE

October 2025

**Joe & Stephanie
Klinkowicz**

MISSION CAUSE FOR PRAYER

Youth Initiatives/Ireland - Doug Smith

Campus Crusade - Lisa (Smith) Wyss

Vacation Bible School

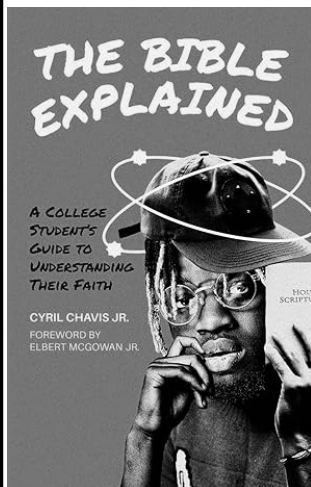


We are collecting candy or money

**1st Responder's Trunk or Treat
Donations need to be made by Oct 19**

There is a box in the narthex to drop off donations. For additional information or to donate money, contact Cindy Gaines

Book Review



College is a key time of life. You are figuring out who you are and what you believe. Among the variety of different spiritual systems on the college campus, chances are that you have considered Jesus. You have heard contradictory opinions about Christianity, so you want to learn for yourself. You want to get to the source, the Bible.

Opening up the Bible is easy; the hard part is understanding it. You know that the Bible is the place to go for answers, but you are frustrated. The Bible has dozens of books, multiple genres, numerous different authors, and hundreds of pages. You need a guide to help you understand.



CHRISTIAN SYMBOL

VERBUM DOMINI MANET IN AETERNUM — Latin for “The Word of the Lord Endures Forever,” this motto of the Lutheran branch of the Protestant Reformation comes from 1 Peter 1:25. Frederick the Wise, ruler of Saxony and one of Martin Luther’s earliest and most influential supporters, had the VDMA symbol sewn into the right sleeve of the official garments worn at his court. The symbol also appeared on banners, flags, swords, and uniforms, representing the unity of the Lutheran laity in standing firm in their faith.



Favorite Recipes of Old

Recipes are chosen at random from the North Benton Church “Favorite Recipes” cookbook.

SIMPLE STICKY BUNS *(Jennifer Smith)*

2 loaves frozen ready to bake bread
1 stick (1/2 cup) butter
nuts
1 large box of regular vanilla pudding
(not instant)
1 cup brown sugar
cinnamon to taste

Grease a 9x13” pan. Partially thaw bread so it can be cut into slices. Place nuts on bottom of greased pan. Lay bread slices on top of nuts. Combine dry ingredients; brown sugar, pudding and cinnamon, and pour over top of bread slices. Melt butter and pour over top. Cover with towel and let rest overnight. In the morning bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Take out of the oven and place cookie sheet over top and flip over.

Puzzle!

rs: 1. Cain (Genesis 4:9); 2. Peter (Acts 3:6); 3. Pilate (John 18:38); 4. Joshua (Joshua 24:17) (Matthew 16:16); 6. Herod Agrippa (Acts 26:28); 7. Ruth (Ruth 1:16); 8. Paul (2 Timothy

Mahoning County Fair

AND THE WINNERS ARE:



THEA FIELDER

1st in spring heifer
milking shorthorn

8th in rabbit
skillathon



AUSTIN PIERCE

1st Place Ayrshire

Winter Yearling

1st Place Ayrshire Sr

3 yr cow

Grand Champion

Ayrshire Sr 3 yr cow

Reserve Grand

Ayrshire Jr

Champion



JUDE FIELDER

1st in opposite
breed for rabbits

10th for rabbit
skillathon



ADDIE PIERCE

1st Place Ayrshire

Spring Yearling

Supreme Milking

Shorthorn Cow

Grand Champion

Milking Shorthorn Jr

Heifer

2nd Place with her

Mini Lop Bunny



LANCE MYERS

1st Place Ayrshire

Summer Yearling

1st Place Fall Milking

Shorthorn

Grand Champion

Ayrshire Jr

Champion

Senior Champion

Showmanship



RYLEIGH KAMPFER

1st Place Open Show

Milking Shorthorn

Cow



October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 Communion Birthday Sunday 9:00 Coffee & Pastry 9:30 Worship Svc 10:45 Deacon's Mtg 10:45 Searcher's Class	6	7	8	9 7:30 Session Mtg	10	11
12 9:30 Worship Svc 10:45 Searcher's Class	13 Columbus Day	14	15	16	17	18
19 9:30 Worship Svc 10:45 Chili Cook-Off	20	21	22 Newsletter Deadline	23	24	25
26 9:30 Worship Svc 10:45 Searcher's Class	27	28	29	30	31	



Sunday Service: 9:30 am Worship Service

"A church where everybody is somebody, and Jesus Christ is Lord"

OUT FROM THE DARK

The tugboat sank twenty miles off the coast of Nigeria, turning upside down as it fell to the sea floor. Eleven crew members drowned, but the ship's cook, Harrison Odjegba Okene, found an air pocket and waited. He only had one bottle of Coke for provisions, and both of his flashlights died within the first twenty-four hours. For three terrifying days, Okene was trapped alone in darkness at the bottom of the ocean. He'd begun to give up hope when divers on a mission to recover dead bodies found him hunkered and shivering deep in the hull.

The image of Okene alone in the dark for sixty hours is unnerving. He told reporters he still suffers nightmares from the horrifying ordeal. But can you imagine what he felt

when he saw the diver's powerful lamp piercing the darkness? What joy and elation, what hope. The prophet Isaiah foretold how, when the Messiah came, all "the people walking in darkness" would see "a great light" (9:2). Left to our own devices, we live "in the land of deep darkness," but in Jesus, "a light has dawned" (V.2).

Christ is "the light of the world," and in Him we need never again fear the darkness for we "have the light of life" (John 8:12). We may feel trapped or hopeless, alone or in despair, but God illuminates good news. Jesus carries us out of the dark and into His marvelous light.

- Winn Collier

What darkness are you facing? How do you need Jesus to be your light and bring you out of it?

Dear God, I need Your light in my life. Please bring me out of my dark place.

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