September 27, 2026

HIGHWAY 32 MESSENGER

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Sunday Bible Class	10:00AM
Sunday Morning Assembly	11:00AM
Sunday Evening Assembly	6:00PM
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00PM

Privileged to Serve

Announcements:	Ron Smith
Song Leader:	Lowell Smith
Lord's Table.	Jim Hutchings Rich Book Dylan Dingus Colin Humphries
Opening Prayer:	Aaron Humphries
Scripture Reading:	Henry Mayes
Sermon:	Marc Curfman
Closing Prayer:	Griffin Stith
PM Song Leader:	Bruce Curfman

Attendance

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	37	51
Morn. Assembly	66	94
Sun Eve.	09	**
Wednesday	07	09
Contribution:	$2611.00	$2955.00

Visitors: Scan QR Code and let us know you were here.

Holy

I did something the other day I have never done before in my life. I prayed before I prepared the Lord's Supper that would be served that Sunday. I have filled those cups and placed the bread in the trays so many times since my youth. It is a fairly simple task. But I noticed a few stains in the tray and as always, I washed them, I dried them and even somewhat polished the trays with a towel before placing those cups in the trays. Then it occurred to me the word of God to Moses, ***"'By those who come near Me I will be treated as holy, And before all the people I will be honored.'"*** Lev. 10:3. I felt compelled to pray about this simple task and holy honor I was performing at that moment.

I fear we have become far too complacent in our relationship with God. We forget the reverence God demands. Perhaps we justify it because we are not with the strict regulations of the Old Covenant or perhaps it is because we have seen the extreme rituals of many secular churches. So we seem to have come to practice a "casual faith." It is a faith where we seem to dictate the terms. We know God loves a cheerful giver, so we interpret that to mean we give little because sacrificial giving won't make us happy. We know our buildings are not temples; it is the people who make up the temple. That unfortunately translates in a lack of care for the facilities God has given us to gather in. The same extends to even our assemblies. They are pretty much optional as long as you show up from time to time. Instead, priority is given to ME! "I'm too tired, I'm so busy, my kids have practice, I want to watch the game, I don't like it when the service goes too long." Rather than treat God as holy, we treat ourselves as the anointed center of life.

When you prepare the Lord's supper or clean the building or come to worship, are you doing God a favor or are you giving reverence with your duties, efforts and worship? How often do we reflect on the reverence of our relationship with God as given in His word. Peter exhorts us, ***"but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; [16]because it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."*** 1 Peter 1:15-16. Peter is quoting the words of Moses to Israel and they are God's demand for us today.

"..in all your behavior." At work, with the family, scrolling the internet, speech, use of money, we are called to be holy. Holy needs to be in those so-called big things of life and also those little things. So be holy when people see you and be holy when only God knows. Paul's words are convicting when he speaks of our worship; ***"Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. [2]And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."*** Rom. 12:1-2.

Yes, we worship on Sunday mornings and such calls for reverence and holiness. But you also worship when you wake up. Do you worship when you schedule that day's events, when you pray in private, love in public, help, lift up, do what is good and let your light shine? Our lives are a ***"living and holy sacrifice."*** We are not those who have checked the right boxes in order to be saved. We are those who choose holiness in all. So be holy when you sing and pray and be holy when you dedicate your life to God for all to see. And perhaps pray about the honor it is to prepare that holy communion. Pray about the worship before you walk through those doors. Then pray about who you will be before you walk out your door. Pray for holiness in all you do.

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Welcome to Highway 32 Church,

We are a group of Christians worshipping God according to the Teaching in the New Testament. May we all worship our loving Father today with sincere hearts, open and receptive to His Spirit and His love.

October Teachers

Cradle Roll - Yvonne Glover
Pre-K-K - Kacie Schunk
2nd-6th - David/Penny Goble

Sunday Morning Adult classes:
Frank Glover

Wed. Eve. 7:00 pm – Don Salisbury



October Teacher
David/Penny Goble

Note: Children will go to Bible Hour during the song before the morning lesson.



October
Building & Communion
Rich and Jenni Book

Zoom Meetings – Zoom meeting (2 Corinthians) every Thursday 7pm. See Sue for the link if you would like to participate.

Announcements:

Prayers:
Keith Pennington will be having his ablation on October 16.

Sandra Sena's surgery went well and she is now recovering at home.

Christian Help Center – The specified item for October will be corn. Any questions see Debbie Colonel.

Linda Shinkle will be having hip replacement surgery on October 9th.

Potluck luncheon will be Sunday October 18th.

Next Ladies Class will be Saturday 10/24/2026, 9:30am.

Mark your calendars. The Highway 32 group picture has been rescheduled for Sunday 10/25/26.

Hocking Hills Hike Information: Meet at the church at 7:30am on October 3rd and we will travel to Hocking Hills to hike the Old Man's Cave and Cedar Falls. It may be slippery. Please let David know if you will be attending.

September Birthdays

9/2 Rebecca Shafer & Margo Stith
9/4 David Turpin & Steve Wright
9/4 Chryl Larbes
9/5 Marc Curfman & Cheryl Bernhardt
9/12 Nancy Salisbury & Ashton Hutchinson
9/13 Farryl Atkins
9/17 Elizabeth Schunk
9/23 Sheila Gelter & Ron Carter
9/24 LaShanda Smith
9/26 Tina Widmeyer
9/27 Lorelei Mayes & Dominyck
9/29 Steve Bernhardt
9/30 Lowell Smith

September Anniversaries

9/11 Marvin/Wanda Pennington
9/12 Jim/Laura Hutchings
9/17 Aaron/Tanya Humphries

Continue to Remember: Mark Book, Karen Smith, Carol Basham, Bob/Mary Parker, Lynn Prickett, Steve Cummins, and our church family.

"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."