

This enjoyable story is so true. After I met Joyce she told me you need to know someone for all the seasons before you think about marriage. She made me wait for an extra year of seasons before she told me she would marry me. For us she was right. We will be married 36 years this October. Through all the seasons of your life, you can find something to be thankful for. You have to look! God brings you through many lessons, some easy and some that are painful. For some reason we remember the hard lessons when our faith is tested. The easy lessons just flow down the river with no waves and we forget to be thankful for that blessing we were given. As a church we do the same thing. We remember the good times when people cared about the church and took time from their week to give thanks to God. Today, with sadness we look at our empty church and see people are too busy. Parents who have other priorities than seeing their children go to church and learn about God; let alone take time to go themselves.

Do you think the world is better off in the season of life we now are in? Do you think that the world is better off with God at the sidelines? What will it take to get back on the path by the tree in the story to realize you cannot skip a season of life? The tree would die without spring before summer or fall before winter. There is a reason for everything. There is a reason God sent his only Son to give us a chance to be forgiven and go on to the next season of our lives. Without God and His Son, Jesus, we are not fulfilling the purpose we are here on earth for. We are heading to the season of fall. This could be the season you were waiting for to recommit to your Savior, your life, and the church. Step into the light and feel the glory God is waiting to give you. Only you can make the choices that will affect all your seasons to come.

In Faithfulness,

Rev. Coy



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No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

WHAT'S GOING ON AT ZION?

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IN OUR CIRCLE OF PRAYER

Bill Bertram, Dakota Miller, Marlene Rhueff, Al & Elaine Panyi, Pat & John Loyszczyk (Renea Hunt's parents), Alan Hunt (Dave Hunt's dad), Walter English

➤If you would like to be remembered in prayer or know of someone who would appreciate being included in this list, please contact the church office.

PASTOR COY

If you would like to meet with Pastor Coy, please make an appointment with the church office at **740-282-1793**. If you would like to get a hold of Pastor Coy directly, his cell number is **330-301-0551**. Pastor Coy has **office hours Mon, Wed, & Thurs**.

WORSHIP SERVICE

We have resumed having our regular 11 AM service!

Come back and worship with us!! We have been uploading **sermons** to **You Tube** and sharing them on our **Facebook** account if you can't make it!

PRAYERS

Please keep the families of **Barb Mottice**, **Minnie Price** and **Carole Kirkendall** in your thoughts and prayers. **Barb** passed away **August 11** and was laid to rest **August 14**, **Minnie** passed away **August 4** was laid to rest **September 11** and **Carole** passed away **July 9** was laid to rest **September 18**.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. -Matthew 5:4

COUNCIL MEETING

The next council meeting will be **November 7, after worship**.

HOMECOMING

Council has decided to forgo a big dinner for the Homecoming and will be meeting up after the **October 24th** service at the Ville. It will be self-pay.

PARSONAGE CLEANING DAY

Council would like to have a cleaning day at the parsonage for anyone willing and able. We will update when a date has been chosen.

TICKETS FOR LIONS CLUB TAILGATING PARTY

Pastor Coy is selling tickets for the Lions Club, Ohio State- Michigan tailgating party. They are **\$60** and include **Food and Beverage for 2, game viewing, and entry into raffle for cash prizes**. If you're interested please see Pastor Coy. There is more information on cash prizes further in the newsletter.

Pastor's Pen

There was a man who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn to not judge things too quickly. So he sent them each on a quest, in turn, go and look at a pear tree that was a great distance away.

The first son went in the winter, the second in the spring, the third in summer, and the youngest son in the fall.

When they had all gone and come back, he called them together to describe what they had seen.

The first son said that the tree was ugly, bent, and twisted.

The second son said no – it was covered with green buds and full of promise.

The third son disagreed, he said it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful, it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen.

The last son disagreed with all of them; he said it was ripe and drooping with fruit, full of life and fulfillment.

The man then explained to his sons that they were all right, because they had each seen but one season in the tree's life.

He told them that you cannot judge a tree, or a person, by only one season, and that the essence of who they are – and the pleasure, joy, and love that come from that life – can only be measured at the end, when all the seasons are up.

If you give up when it's winter, you will miss the promise of your spring, the beauty of your summer, fulfillment of your fall.

Don't judge a life by one difficult season. Don't let the pain of one season destroy the joy of all the rest. (Happy Life)

**STEUBENVILLE LIONS CLUB
26th ANNUAL TAILGATE PARTY**

OHIO STATE - MICHIGAN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2021

Froehlich's Classic Corner, Steubenville, Ohio

Doors open half hour before kickoff.

REVERSE RAFFLE

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| 1st Number Drawn.....\$100.00 | 3rd Number from Last Drawn\$100.00 |
| Every 25th Number Drawn.....\$50.00 | 2nd Number from Last Drawn\$150.00 |
| (Unless one of the last 5 tickets) | Next to Last Number Drawn.....\$200.00 |
| 4th Number from Last Drawn\$50.00 | LAST NUMBER DRAWN\$2,500.00 |

Only 200 Tickets printed

TICKET INCLUDES DRAWING FOR CASH PRIZES

Large Screen TV Viewing • Food and Beverages for Two
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT - DONATION \$60.00

PROCEEDS TO LIONS CHARITIES



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**Those Whom I Love &
Those Who Love Me**

When I am gone, release me, let me go.

I have so many things to see and do,

You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,

But be thankful we had so many good years.

I gave you my love, and you can only guess

How much you've given me in happiness.

I thank you for the love that you have shown,

But now it is time I traveled on alone.

So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,

Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It is only for a while that we must part,

So treasure the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away for life goes on.

And if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.

And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,

All my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you come this way alone,

I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.

*It was Carole Kirkendall's wish that this be
shared with the congregation after her passing.*