

# COME TO CHURCH SUNDAY

**St. Mary's CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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Rev. Magr. Simon Schmitt  
Sunday Masses

8:00 a.m.  
7:15 a.m.  
8:30 a.m.  
9:45 a.m.  
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**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Second & Jefferson Sts.

Richard W. Van Hoesen, Pastor  
Roy Stucky, Church-school Supt.  
Mrs. Wm. Bauman, organist.  
Mrs. Gerald Strickler, choir director.

The choir will sing "Beloved, let us love one another" as their special music tomorrow morning. Our leader of worship will be Mr. Robert Anderson of Willshire, Ohio.

Following the services tomorrow morning an all-church picnic is planned at Hanna-Nuttman Park. It will be a carry-in affair and all the friends and members of the church are encouraged to attend.

Monday evening, 7:00 p. m. The official board will meet at the church to conduct the business of the church. All board officers and members are urged to be present.

Tuesday morning, 9:00 a. m., The Ruth Circle will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Werling in Preble. Mrs. Raymond E. Eloh is the program leader and Mrs. Jerry Williamson will conduct the devotions.

Wednesday  
8:30 p. m. The Jr. choir meets at the church under the direction of Mrs. James Webb.

7:00 p. m. The Senior choir meets at the church under the direction of Mrs. Gerald Strickler.

7:45 p. m. The Naomi Circle will meet at the parsonage. Mrs. Paul Daniels is the program leader and Mrs. Richard Van Hoesen is leader of devotions.

The pastor and his wife plan to entertain the officers of the church, elders, deacons and deaconesses at the parsonage on Sunday, Sept. 20, at 5:30 p. m. A recorded message specifically for them will be heard. Dr. Langdon Gilkey of the University of Chicago Divinity School is the speaker. This program will officially begin the "open house" atmosphere that will prevail at the parsonage each Sunday evening throughout the winter. Everyone will be invited to come and bring their friends.

We at the Christian Church hope that you will come to visit our services if you are new in the community or if for one reason or another you have been putting off going to church. Come now and get a friendly handshake and a warm smile and an opportunity to know the Lord a whole lot better.

**Missionary Church**  
Tenth and Dayton Streets  
Leroy E. Risher, Pastor

9:00 a. m. — Sunday school with classes for all age groups. Graded lessons for the children. The Adult department will study the International Sunday School Lesson: "A Spokesman for God," I Samuel 1-7.

10:00 a. m. Morning Worship hour with the pastor speaking. Junior Church for the children; Nursery for the little ones.

6:15 p. m. — Children's Gospel Hour

Jr. and Sr. Missionary Youth Fellowship.

Adult Prayer Group

7:00 p. m. — Evening Gospel Hour. An informal service presenting the Gospel in music and message that will warm the heart and bring spiritual strength for the coming week.

Wednesday — Children's Choir and Bible classes at 7:30 p. m. Youth and Adult Bible Study and prayer groups.

Thursday — The Ladies Fellowship Circle will meet at 7:00 p. m., Sept. 17, at the home of Mrs. Leonard Johnston, 228 E. Hocker St. Monroe.

Friday — The Ladies Friendship Circle will meet at 7:00 p. m., Sept. 18, at the home of Mrs. Bob Reynolds, R. R. 4, Decatur.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Mercer Avenue at Five Points

Elbert A. Smith, Jr., Pastor  
First Presbyterian welcomes you who are visitors or newcomers to our community. Meet with God while you worship with us in His house.

9:15 Church School for Nursery through Primary Classes in the Annex with Mrs. Ed Hagan, superintendent in charge. Junior through Adult classes meet in the Church School rooms.

10:30 Morning Worship. Rev. Smith will give the sermon: "The Imperatives of Christian Education." The Scripture will be Jude 1: 17-25. Nursery care for those who wish to use it will be available in the Annex during the service with Mrs. John McConaha in charge.

The Associated Churches of Decatur meet at 2:00 p. m. Sunday in the United Church of Christ.

United Presbyterian Youth Fellowship will have a "Jumping off Party" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Fletcher Sunday. Those planning to go should meet at the church at 3:45 p. m. Bring swim suits and girls must have swim caps. This will be a picnic and preview of the programs for the coming year. Bring a friend along.

Trustees meet Monday night at 7:30.

Junior Church meeting Wednesday at 6:30 p. m.

The Chancel Choir meets at 7:00 p. m. Wednesday.

The Program Committee meets Wednesday night at 7:30 in the East Room.

The Christian Education Committee meets Thursday in the East Room at 8:00.

The Communicants Class will meet at 9:00 a. m. Saturday for their weekly session.

Special Note:

Parents of Pre-school children are urged to attend a special class at 9:15 this Sunday morning in the church basement. This special session is devoted to the pre-school children, the theme of the year beginning in October and the approach the material makes in teaching the pre-school child.

Phone 3-4000 for a daily prayer sponsored by the Associated Churches of Decatur.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Cor. 12th & Wash. Sts.  
Larry Morrison, Minister

9:15 a. m. Pre-service Prayer.

9:30 a. m. Morning Worship. Songs of Praise. Prayer. and Communion. Organist Vera Rupert. Message entitled, "Worship" presented by Bro. Larry Morrison.

10:30 a. m. Bible study. Eugene Schindler, Supt. Lesson: "A Spokesman for God." Lesson scripture, 1 Samuel 1-7. Golden Text: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:5, 6.

Remember for daily Bible readings look up all scriptures pertaining to the word, "Worship."

6:50 p. m. Youth for Christ. Dorothy Morrison, leader. Plan now to bring your children.

7:00 p. m. Evening Worship. There will be a movie entitled "Return to Nazareth."

You are invited.

**NEW LIGHT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Cleveland St.  
Ople Mounsey, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Evangelistic service, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 7:30. Week-end services Sept. 17-20.

Evangelist Rev. Gene Pope. The Poles will also be in charge of the special music and singing.

**DECATUR EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH**  
PASTORS  
F. P. Miller J. O. Penrod

9th & Madison Sts.  
8:30 a. m. First Worship service. Pastor Penrod's message theme will be, "Our Children and the Church." Mrs. Larry Affolder will preside at the organ. Her selections will include, "Introspection" by Marks, "In Penitence" by Dexter and "Fanfare" by Peery. Carolyn Hill and Eunice Wynn will sing a duet. Ron Ellis is acolyte for this service.

9:30 a. m. Sunday Church School. Mr. Doyle Gehres is superintendent. The adult lesson is "A Spokesman for God" from I Samuel 1-7: 5, 6, 10-17.

10:30 a. m. Second Worship service. The order of worship is the same as the first service. The chancel choir will sing the anthem, "Create in Me a Clean Heart" by Mueller.

Acolytes for this service will be Cheryl Gehres and Carl Gehres.

**BETHANY**  
327 Winchester St.

8:00 a. m. First Worship-service. Pastor Miller will deliver the morning message. His sermon theme is, "Holy Ground." His text is from the Book of Exodus 3:1-5. Mrs. Jerold Lohsiger will preside at the organ. Her selections will include "Deep River," a Spiritual; "Andante Con Moto," by Heller and "Triumphal March."

9:00 a. m. Sunday Church school. Mr. Leo Feasel is superintendent. The adult lesson is "A Spokesman for God." Background scripture is from I Samuel 1-7: 5, 6, 10-17.

10:00 a. m. Second Worship service. The order of worship is the same as the first service. The chancel choir will sing the anthem, "Create in Me a Clean Heart" by Mueller.

Acolytes for this service will be Ricki Journey and Alan Miller.

2:00 p. m. Decatur Group Youth Rally at Trinity.

2:00 p. m. Associated Churches of Decatur assembly meeting at the Zion United Church of Christ.

4:30 p. m. Kum-Join-Us Class will meet at Hanna Park for picnic.

5:30 p. m. Sr-Hi YF will meet at Trinity.

6:00 p. m. Jr-Hi YF will meet at Trinity.

7:00 p. m. Evening Worship at Trinity. Pastor Penrod will show pictures of the European Trip.

Monday  
6:30 p. m. Boy Scout meeting at Trinity.

7:00 p. m. Pastor Parish Relations Committee meeting at Trinity.

7:30 p. m. Local Conference meets at Trinity. Architect Huber Buehrer will present the proposed plans for building.

7:30 p. m. Naomi Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Raudenbush. Leader is Mrs. Robert Raudenbush.

Tuesday  
7:00 p. m. Officers and Commission Chairmen of both YF groups will meet with Jerry Meadows at Bethany.

7:30 p. m. W.S.W.S. Guest Night will be held at Trinity. Mrs. Ed Stuckey of Columbia City and Mrs. Vera Wolf, who were Counselors on the European trip will present the program.

Wednesday  
7:00 p. m. Chancel choir rehearsal at Bethany.

7:00 p. m. Mid-week worship at Trinity.

7:00 p. m. Boys and girls fellowship at Trinity.

8:10 p. m. Chancel choir rehearsal. It is not too late to join the choir. Come to rehearsal this week.

Thursday  
9:00 a. m. Lois Circle will meet in the church basement. Leader is Mrs. J. O. Penrod. Please bring handcraft items for Rev. E. U. B. Men's District Rally.

12:00 Noon, County Ministerial meeting at Monroe.

7:00 p. m. All Adult Workers, Adult Counselors and Workers with Youth will meet with Jerry Meadows at Bethany. Any other person interested is invited to attend.

7:30 p. m. Trinity Bible class will meet in the Church Fellowship Hall.

Friday  
E. U. B. Men's District Rally will be held at Fort Wayne Calvary church. The Progressive Dinner will be held from 5:30 p. m. to 7:00 p. m. Dr. Wilson S. Parks will speak.

Saturday - Sunday - Senior-Hi Retreat at Cecil Harvey's

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
West Monroe at Fifth Street

Meirvin E. Seeger, Pastor  
8:30 Chapel Service. Rev. Seeger will preach this Sunday morning on the subject: "The Ministry of Silence." Miss Sharon McRae will play: "Morning Prelude", Daucke; "Meditation", Byles; and "Heroic Piece", Crowder.

9:30 Sunday School with Mr. Hubert Zerkel, Jr. presiding. Classes are provided for each member of the family with supervised Nursery and Kindergarten Classes for pre-school children and a Lullaby Room for infants. Bring your family and come for Worship and Study in our Sunday School.

10:30 Morning Worship. The Chancel Choir will sing for the first time this fall under the direction of Mr. Ronald Murphy. The Parent Teacher League will have their meeting beginning with a carry-in supper at 5:00 p. m. The meeting will begin at 7:00 and all members of Zion are invited to attend.

Monday — The church Council will meet at 8:00 p. m. in the Church Parish Hall.

Tuesday — Sunday School Teachers will meet in the Parish Hall Basement at 7:15 p. m.

All teachers are urged to attend this meeting.

Wednesday — School devotions will be held in the church at 8:00 a. m.

The Choir will rehearse in the Parish Hall at 7:00 p. m.

The Emmaus Guild will meet in the Parish Hall Basement at 8:00 p. m. Mr. William Zwick will show his slides on Europe to the group.

Thursday — The Needle Club will meet in the Parish Hall basement at 1:00 p. m.

The Living Faith Conference will meet at Emmanuel Soest beginning at 6:30 p. m.

The Adult Instruction Class will meet in the Parish Hall at 7:30 p. m.

Friday — The Adams-Allen Lutheran Teachers' Conference will be held in Zion Parish Hall beginning at 7:00 p. m.

Saturday — Religious Instruction Classes will be held beginning at 8:15 a. m.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
1210 Elm St.  
M. H. Noll, Pastor

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Lesson text: "Nehemiah, The Buried Builder." See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Morning Worship, 10:30 a. m. Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

C. A. Service, 6:15 p. m. Evening Service, 7:00 p. m. Wed Prayer service and Bible study, 3:70 p. m.

We were enlightened and blessed by the showing of the pictures of the Holy Land and by the wonderful discourse concerning same. Remember: The last Sunday of this month will be Sunday School Election Day.

**DECATUR CHURCH OF GOD**  
1129 Mercer Avenue  
Huston Bever, Jr., Pastor

8:30 a. m., The Christian Brotherhood Hour, over WKJG.

9:30 a. m., Morning Worship. There will be a dedication of babies during this service.

10:00 a. m., Children's worship in the chapel.

10:40 a. m., Sunday School. We cordially invite you and your family to be with us in services today and throughout the week.

2:00 p. m., The Associated Churches of Decatur will meet at the Zion United Church of Christ. (Executive meeting, 1:30 p. m.)

6:30 p. m. Junior and Senior High Youth Fellowship

7:30 p. m., Evening baptismal service.

8:00 p. m., All officers of the Missionary Circles will meet.

Wednesday  
7:30 p. m., Mid-week prayer service.

8:30 p. m., Choir practice.

Thursday  
7:30 p. m., Special "Birthday Meeting" for all ladies of the church.

Saturday  
6:30 - 8:30 p. m., Area Youth Rally at the County Line Church of God.

woods Mr. Jerry Meadows YF Associate will be Guest Leader.

Next Sunday—Infant Baptism. Please contact your Pastor if you desire to receive this Sacrament for your child.

September 27—RALLY DAY. September 29—CONGREGATIONAL MEETING at Community Center.

You are welcome to share in the pictures of the European Trip Sunday evening at Trinity. Plan to come!

**Zion Lutheran Church**  
11th & Monroe

Richard C. Ludwig, Pastor  
Paul W. Ludwig, Sr., Asst. Pastor  
Divine worship services are held at 8:00 and 10:30 a. m.

Sunday school and Bible Classes begin at 9:15 a. m.

Pastor's Ludwig's sermon topic will be "Fruitful Preaching of the Word."

The Adult Bible Classes will resume today. Pastor Ludwig will meet with the group in the school, discussing the topic "The Problem of Pain: Job" and Mr. Snively will meet with the group in the church discussing the topic "Our Church and Others." Plan to attend!

Zion's baseball team will play against Preble there at 1:30 p. m. This is the first game of the tournaments, so let's get out and win!

The Parent Teacher League will have their meeting beginning with a carry-in supper at 5:00 p. m. The meeting will begin at 7:00 and all members of Zion are invited to attend.

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**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
Seventh & Marshall Sts.  
W. R. Watson, Pastor

"Showers of Blessing" on WGL at 8:45 a. m.

Sunday School: 9:00 a. m. Raymond McAhren, Superintendent. (This is "Promotion Sunday." Instead of going to departments as usual, all will assemble in the sanctuary at the beginning of the Sunday School hour for the promotion ceremony in which many boys and girls will be promoted to older departments.)

Worship Service: 10:00 a. m. Sermon: "Holiness in the Old Testament."

Junior Worship Service: 10:00 a. m. In the basement auditorium. Youth Service: 6:30 p. m. Roger Frey, president.

Evening Service: Inspiring music and a gospel message: "The Nature of the Carnal Mind."

Tuesday: Sunday School Staff meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday: Mid-week Prayer service, 7:30 p. m.

Saturday: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:30 a. m. at Community Center.

Youth for Christ Rally, 7:30 p. m. at Baptist church.

The church cordially invites you to visit any of these services. You will be most welcome.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
211 South Fourth Street  
Robert Chidister, Pastor

8:30 a. m. "Times Like These" over WADM.

9:30 a. m. Worship.

10:30 a. m. Classes.

7:00 p. m. Evening service.

This Week  
Sept. 12—Youth for Christ rally at 7:30 p. m.

Sept. 13—B.Y.F. cabinet meeting at 5:30 p. m.

B. Y. F. meeting at 6:00 p. m.

Sept. 14—Christian Education meeting at Vera Lehman's at 7:00 p. m.

Sept. 18—Prayer meeting.

Future  
Oct. 4—Promotion Sunday.

**ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Third & Jackson

William C. Feller, Pastor  
Church School at 9:00 a. m. Leonard Egly, superintendent, will be in charge. All classes will meet in their regular places under the leadership of their regular teachers. There are classes for all ages. Come and bring your family.

Divine Worship at 10:00 a. m. Sermon by the pastor: "Our Christian Occupation." Roger Spencer will sing, "He's Only a Prayer Away" by Lange-Graham. Organ numbers by Mrs. J. Fred Fruchte will include, "Adagio Maestoso" by Handel, "Worship" by Richolson, and "Processional" by Gluck.

The greeting committee for September is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schlottback and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Strahm.

We invite all members and friends of the church to worship with us. Visitors are always welcome.

Associated Churches meeting on Sunday at 2:00 p. m.

The Youth Fellowship will hold its opening meeting of the fall season on Sunday at 5:00 p. m. The officers will be in charge.

The Official Board will meet on Monday at 7:00 p. m.

The Churchmen's Fellowship will meet on Monday at 8 p. m. Phoebe Bible class meeting at the church on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Senior choir rehearsal on Thursday at 7:00 p. m.

Confirmation classes registration on Saturday at 10:00 a. m. All boys and girls of 12 years or over are asked to attend along with at least one of their parents.

Sunday, Sept. 20, annual Men's Congress in Cross Church, Berne, afternoon and early evening sessions.