Take It Home

by Greg Gwin Collegevue church of Christ Columbia, TN

If you stroll through most church buildings after the assembled crowd has dispersed, you are likely to find all manner of things left in the pews. Kids' toys, writing pads, coats and sweaters, and not a little trash. A general appeal to cleanliness and neatness is aways in order.

Among the things left behind are a couple of more troubling items:

Bibles -- We wonder how Christians can make it through the week without their 'swords' (Eph. 6:17). If you leave your Bible behind, you are 'unarmed' in the spiritual battle that surrounds us. Frequent and consistent Bible study are absolute necessities for those who want to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord" (2 Pet. 3:18). By all means, when it comes to your Bible, TAKE IT HOME! And, of course, use it on a daily basis.

Class papers -- Very often we see the class materials of kids and adults left in the pews. This is troubling in a least two ways. First (especially for the younger students) it displays a lack of appreciation for the hard work that teachers have invested in the preparation of these teaching aids. These could be used at home by parents who hope to re-enforce the lessons that the children learned in class (Eph. 6:4). But, obviously, that can't happen when they are left in the pew. Second (and here we have in mind the older students and adults) when the study materials are left behind it is a guarantee that preparation for the next upcoming class will NOT happen. This is a serious hinderance for the cause of learning and edification.

PLEASE take these home and use them for deeper and effective study.

Things left in the pews tell a tale. What do they say about you? Think!

NEWSLETTER

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Schedule of Services

Our current schedule is:

Sunday Bible Class 10 to 10:45 AM Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM church of Christ

We Meet At

1121 N. Military Rd. Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Phone (716) 283-1214

Website: lasallechurchofchrist.org
Please check the website for bulletins,
House to House Heart to Heart magazine,
and other things.

We come

We seek to be a place of healing and worship.

We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you). We would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in one of the receptacles provided at the front and rear of the auditorium.

There will be an opportunity to give but as a visitor it is not expected of you. Thanks.



There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs if you need to care for your infant.



We offer a **free** Bible Correspondence Course

Read God's Word

Philippine Mission Work

Prayers In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, thank Him for His Son and His blessings.

Frank Marsden Let's keep him in our prayers as he deals with medical issues.

Bill Kinney Let's keep him in our prayers as he deals with medical issues.

Butts Sumner is recovering from recent back surgery.

Jessica Alcorn Let's pray for her as she continues with chemo treatments.

Diane Mellott recently received good news from her biopsy. Test results show no cancer cells.

Jean Cameron is dealing with medical issues.

Louella Hopkins Her back is much better now. It was good to see her with us last Sunday.

Darlene Reed fell recently. It was good to see her with us last Sunday.

Holly, Carol Jones' sister, is in ICU.

Prayers are requested for her healing and for strength and wisdom for her husband, daughters, and siblings.

Lisa Wheeler, Richard Wheeler's sister, is home recovering.

Marietta McArthur (Ray McArthur's mother). Let's keep her in our prayers as she deals with health issues. Ray is asking for prayers for his mother and also for the family to deal with situations involving her.

Dan Callari (from Amherst congregation). His cancer is back and he isn't doing too well.

Glen Mueller He is the preacher at the Sardinia church of Christ. Let's keep him and Edna in our prayers.

Isabella Rich (9 years old, Louella Hopkin's great niece) She is home and there will be nurses coming to the house and she will be going back to the hospital in Rochester twice a week. Praise God she is doing better.

Jane Grenke, a friend of Denise Garlitz, and in her 80s, was recently involved in an auto accident and is in the trauma unit at ECMC.

Carlos Martinez is requesting prayers on behalf of his friend Kassem who has family in Palestine.



Let's flood the Callari family in the Philippines with a bit of holiday joy and encouragement. There are Christmas cards on the back table for you to share your holiday greetings. Sign the card, seal the envelope (no enclosures), put them in the basket and we'll mail them off for you. International postage rates to the Philippines are \$1.50 if you wish to mail the card yourself. All cards must be back by November 19 to assure arrival by Christmas. See Audrey if you have questions.

Order of Worship

Songleader: Rodney Jones

Call to Worship

Song

Opening Prayer

Song

Sermon

Song of Invitation

Song for Communion

Communion

Announcements

Song

Closing Prayer

Upcoming Events (Lord willing)

- **Nov. 12 Today.** Deadline for donation requests for Thanksgiving baskets.
- Nov. 19 Thanksgiving baskets to be delivered.
- Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Day
- Nov. 26 Men's Business Meeting
- Dec. 17 Men's Business Meeting
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day
- **Dec. 31** Short sermon to give time for more singing and scripture reading.
- Dec. 31 New Year's Eve

Weekly Budget Amount \$1,843.00 Contribution Last Sunday \$1,515.00 Attendance Last Sunday 35

Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes are posted in the back.



Brother Glen Mueller from the Sardinia congregation will be celebrating his birthday on November 29th. There is a card on the back table to sign and offer birthday greetings.

Thanksgiving 2023 Basket Donations

Forms are available in the back if you wish to have a basket donated to someone.

There are signup sheets on the back bulletin board to sign up to bring in items to put in the baskets.

Baskets will be delivered Sunday November 19th after morning services.

No-perishable items may be brought to the building at any time.

Perishable items should be brought to the building on Sunday November 19th.

All donation requests should be brought in by Sunday November 12th so we can have a good idea of how many baskets we will need this year.