

ROXFORD COMMUNICATOR

January/ February 2024

**Roxford Church: The church that wakes up the “Christian” in YOU!
Enlightened and brightened by the grace of God. With joyous minds, hearts
and souls. Intensifying our faith in God. We are ROXFORD CHURCH!**

**Roxford Church
771 Roxford Church Rd., SE
Dennison, OH 44621
www.roxfordchurch.org
Jim Manbeck, Pastor
Barb James, Office Manager**

“Where everyone from everywhere is welcome”

SUNDAY SERVICES

**9:30 am Worship
Jr. Church
11:00 am Sunday School
6:30 pm Bible Study in Chapel**

WEDNESDAY

**6:30 pm Mid-Week
Evening Service
In Sanctuary**

**Church Office Hours: 9:00 am – 1:00 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.
Office is closed on Fridays**

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Hello 2024!

Well, here we are my friends, stepping into January 2024. How many of you are pondering, where did the time go? As well as what happened to Christmas 2023 as well as the whole year? Seems like the family was just putting up the Christmas tree with the movie ELF playing in the background, and now the tree is either in the land fill or boxed up, until called upon again.

The **QUESTION** I have for you, what do **YOU** have planned for 2024? If you attend Wednesday night services, you know I do not use the term “New Year’s Resolutions.” For myself, I know with these “**FALSE CLAIMS**” I am setting myself up for **FAILURE**. I prefer the words **GOALS** and **OPPORTUNITIES**.

So, have you set any goals for yourself for the year 2024? What opportunities are you praying to have? From personal improvement to spiritual improvement and growth, have you even taken a moment to be honest with yourself and ask – “**AM I WILLING TO MAKE A CHANGE**, or will I **CONTINUE** to keep **FOLLOWING/LIVING** a **STATUS QUO LIFE?**”

From my own personal experience, it is so easy to have *Good Intentions*, ready to climb that mountain all by yourself, picturing yourself standing alone on that mountain top, looking down on what you accomplished. But the truth of the matter is, how many of us even take that first step in accomplishing our goals?

Could it be that we **DO NOT PREPARE** for the climb? We get this wild idea to do something, with a passion from the very depths of the heart. But that is as far as it goes. Our **SOLO** climbs- adventures never make it off the sheet of paper we jotted them down on.

Maybe, would it be a more successful campaign if we had a “**PARTNER**” to join us in these goals, adventures? Would it perhaps be a **WISE** move to get down on our knees and ask God for guidance as well as help as we prepare to climb mountains and look for opportunities this upcoming year?

Isaiah 58:11, “The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.”

As this year begins, why don’t you and I **JOIN TOGETHER** to take this new year on. As we join together, let us bow down and ask God to lead you and me as well as this church called Roxford, to climb mountains and walk through the valleys spreading the **LIGHT** of Jesus Christ, letting people know just how much they are **LOVED!**

Are **YOU** willing to take a chance, be **BOLD** and set some goals for you and God?

Lets you and I make it happen!
Blessings ~ Brother Jim

January 2024

Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	<p>1 NEW YEAR'S DAY</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>NO Call to Prayer No B Ball</p> <p>Tim Whytsell</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Volley Ball 7/9 pm FLC</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Mid-Week Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>Victor Hursey</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Breakfast FLC 8/10:30 am</p> <p>Youth First Sat. Fusion FLC 7/9:30 pm</p> <p>*Barbara Forstrom</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Education After Sunday School</p> <p>Bible Study 6:30 pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Call to Prayer 9 am</p> <p>B Ball 7/9 pm FLC</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Volley Ball 7/9 pm FLC</p> <p>Bob Horn</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Mid-Week Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Nina Hooker</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>13</p>
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<p>21</p> <p>Bible Study 6:30 pm</p> <p>Youth at Roxford 6/8 pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Call to Prayer 9 am</p> <p>B Ball 7/9 pm FLC</p> <p>Sharon Price</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Sew Sociable Ladies 2/4 pm FLC</p> <p>Volley Ball 7/9pm FLC</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Mid-Week Service 6:30 pm</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Men's Group Shoney's 8 am</p>
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<p><i>BRING YOUR BIBLES TO CHURCH</i></p> 					<p>* Denotes 90 or over</p>	<p>(3)</p>



ADULT CLASSES

FOLLOWERS CLASS

Teacher: Linda Armstrong
Meets in Chapel

KING'S ADULT CLASS

Meets downstairs first door on right

ARISE - Young Women's Class (30/40 years old)

Meets in basement 2nd room on the right

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES

KIDS FOR CHRIST

Preschool thru 3rd Grade

Teachers: Marilyn Masten, Dianna Whytsell
Karen Renicker & Jim & Chris Hartsock
Meets in classroom behind water fountain

WOLF PACK

Grades 4th thru 9th Grade

Teacher: Jim Hartsock & Jerry Brown
Meets in Memory Hall

JUNIOR CHURCH



NOTICE: NO AGE LIMIT. Held every Sunday during Worship time.

Schedule - January/February 2024

January: 7 - Prayers for the New Year - Jim & Chris Hartsock

14 - Wild West Faith 1 - Dayna Bayer & Joan Storrie

21 - Wild West Faith 2- Jennifer Rochester & Lori Edwards

28 - Wild West Faith 3 - Joe & Teresa Horn

February: 4 - Wild West Faith 4 - Elizabeth Krahel & Teresa Parrish

11 - Wild West Faith 5 - Jim & Chris Hartsock

18 - Wild West Faith 6 - Marilyn Masten & Sue Crim

25 - Wild West Faith 7 - Dayna Bayer & Joan Storrie



**TOUCH OF LOVE
SEND CARDS**



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If you are going to be in the hospital,
please call the church office, 330-343-
5359, and give us the name of the hospital
and the date you will be there.

IF WE KNOW WE WILL GO

January Memory Verse
“My health may fail, and my spirit
may grow weak, but God remains
the strength of my heart; He is mine
forever.”
Psalm 73:26 NLT

ROXFORD YOUTH MINISTRIES

Director: Shelly Hawthorne Home: 330-364-5665 Cell: 330-432-7520
Assistants: Jennifer Rochester & Gabriel Parrish

January: 3 - No Discipleship

6 - First Saturday Fusion FLC 7/9:30

10 - No Discipleship

14 - Youth at Broadway 6/8 pm

16 - Every other Tuesday is now Discipleship! Broadway 6:30/7:30 pm

21 - Youth at Roxford 6/8 pm

28 - Youth at Broadway 6/8 pm

30 - Discipleship at Broadway 6:30-7:30 pm

February: 3 - First Saturday Fusion FLC 7/9:30

11 - Youth at Broadway 6/8 pm

13 - Discipleship at Broadway 6:30/7:30 pm

18 - Youth at Roxford 6/8 pm

25 - Youth at Broadway 6/8 pm

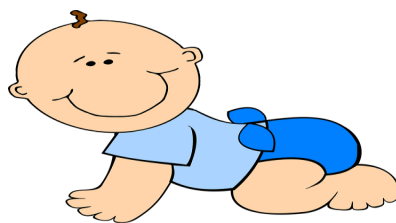
27 - Discipleship at Broadway 6:30/7:30 pm

HAPPY NEW YEAR! May this year be filled with many joys and blessings!

Impact Youth: You all have a bright year ahead to learn, grow and experience your faith. Show up, be present and lets make an Impact in 2024

Shelly Hawthorne, Youth Ministry Director

Please ask to join the Remind App for the latest youth updates. Additional events will be added to the schedule, including youth led services.



In case you haven't heard there is a new baby boy in church:
CONGRATUATIONS to Chandler & Mikaela Golec on the birth of James Dawson Jack Golec born November 27th. 2023 - 6 lbs 14oz.
Grandparents are Bro. Jim and Keri Manbeck

**GREETERS - USHERS AND
WELCOME CENTER**



Welcome Center
Safety Team

Greeters:

January:

Bob and Linda Armstrong

February:

Tim & Dianna Whytsell

Ushers:

Bob Horn
Mark Keener
Jim Hartsock
Tim Whytsell

Please be at church at 8:40 am

Bell ringer: Brentin Bayer

Check bulletin board leading to
Memory Hall for when you work, or
watch the Sunday bulletin.

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FLOWER CHART 2024

To put flowers in memory or honor of a
loved one, please sign up on the chart
in the narthex.

Please follow instructions on the
chart. Cost is \$30. **CASH ONLY**

**CHILD CARE PROVIDED DURING
MORNING WORSHIP
THRU AGE 3
Nursery located upstairs**

CARE GIVERS:

January:

7- Hallie Hawthorne & Sharon Ryan
14 - Tim & Dianna Whytsell
21 - Ron & Denise Tedrick
28- Manbeck's

February:

4 - Krahel's
11 - Tim & Dianna Whytsell
18 - Jennifer Rochester & Faith
25 - The Tedrick's

Questions contact Shelly Hawthorne.
(cell 330-432-7520)

**If no children attending by the time
Jr. Church begins, feel free to go to
Worship Service.**



THELMA ALBAUGH WILL BE
CELEBRATING HER 100TH BIRTHDAY ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST.

WE WOULD LIKE TO HONOR HER
WITH A CARD SHOWER. (PLEASE SEND
CARDS TO: 4677 ALBAUGH DRIVE, SE,
DENNISON, OH 44621)

FINANCE REPORTS

Balance November 1, 2023	36729.02
Offerings	12104.00
Designated Income	1066.13
Capital Improvement Income	870.00
Easy Tithe	720.00
Miscellaneous Income	2880.50
Missions Income	704.05
Trustees/Memorial	1733.00
Interest	.36
Total Monthly Income	20078.04
Transfer in from Savings	332.00
New Balance	20410.04
Disbursements:	
Allegheny West Givings	0.00
Capital Improvement Fund	870.00
Building Payment	0.00
Building Savings	0.00
Camps	0.00
Church Utilities	1805.45
Disaffiliation Fund	0.00
Designated Exp. Money	157.47
Education	0.00
Easy Tithe	0.00
Evangelism	0.00
Heritage Gas	167.00
Global Conference Givings	227.00
Funeral	0.00
Janitor's Salary	913.97
Janitor's Supplies	0.00
Local	272.16

Missions	704.05
Office	504.68
Office Assistant Salary	0.00
Parsonage Maint. Svgs	500.00
Pastor's Discretionary	0.00
Pastor Parish	0.00
Pastor's Pension	0.00
Pastor's Salary/Travel	5237.19
Pastor's Utilities	0.00
Payroll Taxes	993.57
Rainy Day Savings	910.00
Secretary's Salary	1586.58
Social Committee	0.00
Sound Room	21.34
Treasurer's Discretionary	81.80
Trustees Disbursement	2843.90
Trustees Parsonage. Maint.	332.00
Trustees /Memorial	1733.00
Vacation Bible School	0.00
Workman's Compensation	0.00
Worship Committee	0.00
Total Disbursements	19861.16
Ending Balance (begin next month)	37277.90
Designated Money	5838.02
Spendable Balance	31439.88

FINANCE REPORTS CONTINUED

Captial Improvement Fund	
Balance November 1, 2023	726.02
Offerings	870.00
Interest	.01
Total Income	1596.03
Disbursements	0.00
Ending Bal. Nov. 30, 2023	1596.03

Missions Fund	
Balance November 1, 2023	3202.31
Offerings	733.00
Disbursements	994.66
Designated Money	0.00
Missions Spendable Bal. November 30, 2023	2940.65

Financial Information

Budget figures will be changed after Council approved the budget for 2024
Below figures are 2023 Figures.
Needed Weekly \$3,207.44
Needed Monthly Per Budget figures \$13,816.22

COUNCIL MEETING NOV. 16, 2023

SPR – Nichole Bache

Committee approved to pay Bro. Jim's Health insurance.

Committee approved to increase salaries for Janitor 6.7 percent to 14.00 and office manager 8.5 percent to 19.00. Motion to accept by Bernice Heavlin, 2nd by Sandy Beans motion carried. Bringing to council to hire an assistant secretary to work with Barb for a year, then take over the position of secretary. Motion carried.

Women's Group – Bernice Heavlin

Women are asking to hold Bakeless Bake Sale in April and Hold a spaghetti dinner for Sweetest Day on Sat. Oct. 19, motions carried. Giving \$100 to Tuskey Valley Strong. Held election of officers for 2024, Pres. Bernice Heavlin, vice – Pres. Barb Hursey, Secretary Sandy Beans, Treasurer – Karen Renicker

Safety Team – Jim Hartsock

Safety Team would like to continue for 6 more months to hold the Big Breakfast on 1st Saturday of each month. Motion carried.

Trustee Committee – Mark Conrad

We have a donation to help pay for an Electric sign at Family Life Center. Trustees chose the quote with Mark Vansickle. Trustees, finance, and donor will get together and figure out all the information. Motion carried.

Committee looking at the porch off the old church building either taken off or repairing. Trustees will decide in the future.

Church Wallpaper – cost to remove and paint around \$14,000, this will be decided at a later date.

Bro. Jim's Report

Bro. Jim has someone that would like to see a Kids program on weekdays. The idea will be discussed with Education committee.

Motion by Jim Hartsock 2nd by Bernice Heavlin to take up a collection for T.V. Strong, motion carried.

Discussion was held that the committees of Safety Team, Women's Group, Activities, and Youth Group turn in Finance statements. Motion we have Safety Team, Women's Group, Activity, and Youth Group turn in statements starting in January.

Atwood Fall Festival would like us back next year to run carts & help with tractor pulls. We received \$900 for this year running the carts, money was put in Rainy Day Fund.

We need to decide what we want the sign on the front of the church to say. As of now we will leave it as is.



CHILI CONTEST Sat. JAN 20TH NOON/2PM

**To compete, bring
your favorite chili to
be judged.**

**Will be serving hotdogs,
chips and drink**

MISSIONS

November/December, 2023

Wrote a check to a family in need (fire)
Helping Hand to four people who need-
ed help with utilities.
Purchased gas cards.
Samaritan's Purse/Shoeboxes: 57 were
collected.
Thank you to everyone who purchased
gifts and filled shoeboxes.
Quarterly giving to Gospel Ministry.
Purchased hams and food needed for
the Christmas boxes, committee gave
out 10 baskets.



CALL TO PRAYER

If you would like to meet with people
to pray, we meet every Monday
morning in the sanctuary at 9 AM.

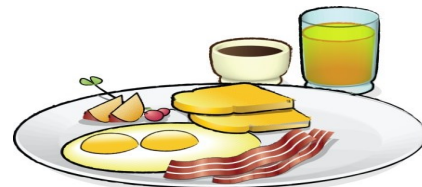
This is open to men and women,
young and old.
Please come and join us!

LADIE'S MINISTRY

Women met November 16, 2023. Gave
donation of \$100 to Tusky Valley fund,
Gave to six children of the church who
had a need at Christmas time. Got permis-
sion from the board to have a Bakeless
Bake Sale in April, and a Spaghetti Dinner
on October 19th (Sweetest Day)

We had a Christmas covered dish lunch
December 8th. We exchanged Secret
Sister gifts and Secret Sister names for
2024.

Hope to have more ladies join us in 2024.
There are no meetings in January and
February. We will meet March 21st at 1 pm
at the Family Life Center.



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Men's group will meet Sat. Jan.
27 & Feb. 24 at Shoney's at 8:00
AM, for breakfast.

FEBRUARY MEMORY VERSE

**"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is
a new creation; old things have
passed away; all things have become
new."**

II Corinthians 5:17 NKJV



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TWIN CITY MINISTERIAL EASTER LENTEN SERVICES

All Services 7 pm

- Wed., February 14 - Uhrichville First Methodist, 225 N. Dawson St., Uhrichville
Speaker, Brother Jim Manbeck
“Blessed are the poor in spirit” - Matthew 5:3
- Wed., February 21 - Newport Methodist, 8022 Newport Rd., SE, Uhrichville
Speaker, Rod Phillips
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,”
Matthew 5:6
- Wed., February 28 - First Presbyterian, 633 N. Main St., Uhrichville
Speaker Carolyn Behrendt
“Blessed are those who mourn”, Matthew 5:4,
- Wed., March 6 - Roxford Church, Speaker Matt Davis
“Blessed are the merciful,” Matthew 5:7
- Wed., March 13 - Dennison Presbyterian, 301 Grant St., Dennison
Speaker, Mark Unrue, “Blessed are the peacemakers”
Matthew 5:9
- Wed., March 20 - Organic Church, 1943 N. Water St. Ext., Uhrichville
Speaker, Kory Rowland
- March 29 - Dennison Foursquare, 7325 U.S. 250, Dennison
Good Friday Speaker, John Stevenson, “Kingdom of Heaven”
Matthew 5:10-12

February 2024

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				1	2 Office Closed	3 Breakfast FLC 8/10:30 am Youth First Sat. Fusion FLC 7/9:30 pm
				* Thelma Albaugh		
4 Bible Study 6:30 pm Ida Walker	5 Call to Prayer 9 am B Ball 7/9 pm FLC	6 Volley Ball 7/9 pm FLC Carol Kiirtley	7 Bible Study 6:30 pm	8	9 Office Closed	10
11 Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth Broadway 6/8 pm	12 Call to Prayer 9 am B Ball 7/9 pm FLC Daniel Keener	13 Youth Discipleship Broadway 6:30/7:30 pm Volley Ball 7/9 pm FLC	14 ASH WEDNESDAY Valentine's Day Service Uhrichsville First Methodist 7 pm Bro. Jim Speaker * John Gibson Carl & Barb James	15 Jacob Bache Joan Storrie	16 Office Closed Men's Cornhole FLC 6:30 pm	17 Mark Conrad
18 Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth at Roxford 6/8 pm Krisann Stewnz	19 Call to Prayer 9 am B Ball 7/9 pm FLC Sherry Rausch	20 Volley Ball 7/9 pm FLC Steve Masten Marty Peterman Mary Paisley	21 Joyful Seniors Lunch Noon FLC Service Newport Rod Phillips Speaker 7 pm	22	23 Office Closed	24 Men's Group Shoney's 8 am Louise Dessecker
25 Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth Broadway 6/8 pm	26 Call to Prayer 9 am B Ball 7/9 pm FLC	27 Youth Discipleship Broadway 6:30/7:30 pm Sew Sociable Ladies 2/4 pm FLC Volley Ball 7/9 pm FLC	28 Service Uhrichsville Presbyterian 7 pm Les Hooker	29		
			NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 15TH		* Denotes 90 or over	(12)