



<p align="center">Utica Church of Christ</p>	<p><u>Ministries</u> In addition to our weekly worship services and Bible studies, we are involved in the following ministries:</p> <p><i>Food Pantry Atlanta, MI Jail Ministry Nigerian Mission Work</i></p>
<p>13505 19 Mile Road Sterling Heights, MI 48313</p> <p>Phone: 586.731.2290 Fax: 586.731.4586</p>	
<p><u>Big Changes on the World Wide Web</u></p> <p>There will be some changes to the digital distribution of the bulletin. Instead of being sent via e-mail, the bulletin will be made available to view on our brand new website. There will be more details to come when the updated site comes online.</p>  <p><u>Gospel Minute</u></p> <p>We now have the <i>Gospel Minute</i> weekly publication available in the track rack in the foyer. Be sure to grab a copy!</p>	
<p><u>Emergency Information</u></p> <p>As a safety measure, the elders have decided to collect emergency contact information for all those willing to participate. It will consist of filling out a card with the name and phone numbers of those you would want contacted in the case of a medical emergency. A copy of the form will be available in the office. Completed forms can be turned in to an elder or deacon.</p>	
	<p>Did you miss seeing someone today?</p> <p>I'm sure someone missed seeing you. Why not go the extra mile? You can make a difference! You could call, stop by and visit, or drop a note and let someone know that you care and that they were missed.</p>
<p><u>We're on the Web!</u></p> <p>Visit us at www.uticachurchofchrist.com</p>	
<p>If you have any information for the bulletin, please e-mail Joseph Cracchiolo at josephcracchiolo@yahoo.com.</p>	

<p align="center">Utica Church of Christ</p>	<p align="center">Dec 4, 2011</p>
 <p align="center"><i>Read a chapter, brother! Read a chapter!</i></p>	
	<p><u>Special Announcement</u></p> <p>“Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another- and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”</p> <p align="center">- Hebrews 10 : 23-25</p>
<p align="center"><u>Service Schedule</u></p> <p><u>Sunday Morning:</u> Bible Class 9:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am</p> <p><u>Sunday Evening:</u> Worship Service 5:00 pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday Evening:</u> Bible Class 7:30 pm</p>	
	

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<p><u>Our Minister:</u> Bryant Reynolds Home Phone: 586.445.2521 Cell Phone: 586.214.3243 Office Hours: Tuesday thru Friday 10am-2pm</p>	<p><u>What must I do to be saved?</u></p> <p><u>Hear</u> “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” Rom. 10:17</p> <p><u>Believe</u> “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.” Acts 16:31</p> <p><u>Repent</u> “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.” Acts 3:19</p> <p><u>Confess</u> “For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” Rom. 10:10</p> <p><u>Be Baptized</u> “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” Acts 2:38</p> <p><u>Walk Faithfully</u> “Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.” Revelation 2:10</p>	
<p>Welcome, visitors!</p> <p>If you are visiting with us today, you're a welcomed guest. Please take a moment to fill out an attendance card so we can have an accurate record of your visit.</p> <p>Thank you for worshipping with us!</p>		
<p><u>Our Church Elders:</u></p> <p>Bob Brown 586.792.4232 Vince Cracchiolo 586.739.0655 Keith Edwards 586.243.0585</p> <p><u>Our Deacons:</u></p> <p>Chris Timberlake 586.286.3719 Matthew Brown 586.218.7818</p>	<p><u>Communion Preparation</u></p> <p>Communion this month is being prepared by:</p> <p>James Brown and Christine Casango</p> <hr/> <p>Youth Director: Joseph Cracchiolo 586.719.7600</p>	

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<p><u>In Our Prayers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Bob Shantry is in need of prayers for his health as he recovers. ▶ Bill Anderton is undergoing physical therapy. ▶ Ken Seagraves is home recovering from surgery. ▶ Tina Sola is recovering from neck surgery. ▶ Della Thompson fell and strained her back. ▶ Tanasia Reynold's sister is having complications with her pregnancy, and would like prayers for life in general. ▶ A friend of Kris Reynolds is battling Leukemia. ▶ Jimmy Neisler Jr. recently suffered a heart attack. 		
<p>Continuing health issues:</p> <p>Rick MacDonald (multiple sclerosis), Cathy Freeman (dementia), The Horans (general), Jerianne LeBree (cancer), Susan Belasco (cancer), Mary Kay Ellis (multiple sclerosis), Della Thompson (general), Sarah Bridges (general), Oweda Carter (shoulder), Jenni Jackson (cancer), Vito Malleti (cancer), Marge Hines (stroke), Ken Seagraves (general), Aiden (Bob Shantry's grandson, autism), Don Galat (heart), Charlie Casango's sister (heart), Dave Rhodes (Keith Edwards brother-in-law, cancer), Mac Garrett (kidney), Sandy Humiston's father (general), Paul Sturgis (kidney), Dennis Hogan (recovery), Kaylin Roskey (newborn with complications), Dave Humiston's niece (seizures), Sean Lovelace (melanoma), John Walters (stroke), Jewel England (Hospice), John Walters Sr. (general), Violet Bostwick (cancer), Bob Shantry (general), Bill Anderton (general)</p>		
<p>In the Military:</p> <p>Please pray for Amara Timberlake, Jayson Madill, Jerome Boyd, Shannon Black, and all of our armed forces.</p>		
<p>Travelers:</p> <p>-Chris Timberlake is in Florida. -Keith and Lisa Edwards will be travelling in Maryland.</p>		

Visitation and Encouragement

As is known through our prayer list and announcements, several members of our congregation are facing serious long term health issues that have prevented them from being able to attend worship services. If you are able volunteer to bring the Lord's Supper to these brothers and sisters please see Matthew Brown. The more we have volunteer, the more we can serve, and it does well for those being served to visit with different members, and see how many people love and care about them.



Food Pantry



As we all know in these difficult economic times there is a great need for grocery items. Our food pantry is fully stocked at this time and is available to anyone who has need of it, so please feel free to let us know if it would be a help to you or anyone else in need.

Volunteers Wanted

The church of Christ Jail Ministry meets twice weekly at the Utica church, from 9 a.m. to noon or so on Tuesdays and Fridays, to grade and mail Bible Study lessons. The latest Quarterly Report of our activities is available in the foyer and covers all of last year. In addition to the mailed Bible studies program, we are part of the Macomb County Jail Ministry teams that hold Sunday evening Bible services at the Jail.

If you have an interest, it's a great way to help others learn the Bible (and for you to learn more, too). If you have an hour or two to spare, join Tony and Sandy at the Church to assist in keeping the lessons flowing. If you have questions call Tony at 586.306-7002.

Upcoming Events



Ornament ExchangeDecember 17th

Sign-up sheets are always being added to the back bulletin board. There are plenty of exciting things to sign up for, so be sure to check it out!

Ornament Echange

There will be an ornament exchange for all interested ladies on Saturday, December 17th. This is a fun get-together in which the ladies trade an ornament, share a meal, and enjoy fellowship with one another. The gathering will be held at Chris Cracchiolo's house at 6:00 pm. Please sign up if you plan on attending. See Chris Cracchiolo for details..

Youth Corner

If you are a parent or young person and there are any youth activities that you would like to suggest, or are willing to assist with, please contact our youth director, Joseph Cracchiolo, at 586-719-7600.



Celebrate Good Times!

December

- Birthdays- Tina Sola (Dec 13th)
Bill Anderton (Dec 14th)
Jack Burkeen (Dec 23rd)
- Anniversary- Joseph and Megan Cracchiolo (Dec 19th)
Jack and Berniece Burkeen (Dec 24th)
Bryant and Robin Reynolds (Dec 26th)



If you would like a birthday or anniversary included in the calendar, be sure to fill out one of the forms or tell Megan Cracchiolo.

From Bryant's Desk**The Last Supper**

*the authenticity of this article is questionable but the lesson is still applicable *

The famous masterpiece in painting THE LAST SUPPER was completed by Leonardo da Vinci. Yet, behind the painting is a greater story than the painting itself. Da Vinci felt that he should use living persons as models since this was to be such an important picture. He started with Christ.

Hundreds of young men were studied to find a man whose face portrayed innocence and beauty. After a long search he found a man whom he felt could portray Christ. The painting of Christ took six months and when this was completed da Vinci worked for six more years painting the disciples until all were completed but one. That one was Judas. To find someone, whom da Vinci thought looked like Judas was a real problem. After a long discouraging search he heard of a man in prison at Rome who was sentenced to die for his brutal crimes.

Leonardo went to Rome. As the prisoner was brought before him he saw a man with an ugly vicious face- scared and full of hate. He knew immediately that this was the man he wanted to represent Judas- the Savior's betrayer.

By special permission from the king, the prisoner was brought to Milan to pose for da Vinci. For six months he sat at appointed hours each day. Finally, the gifted artist finished the painting. As the guards were taking him away, he broke loose.

Rushing towards da Vinci he gasped, " Look at me! Do you know who I am?"

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With his sharp piercing eyes da Vinci looked at the man and said, " No I don't know you- I never saw you before they brought you before Rome."

Then the prisoner lifted his head toward heaven and cried, "Oh God, have I fallen so low?"

In turning again to da Vinci he said, "Look at me again. I am the same man you painted only seven years ago as the figure of Christ."

How strange we tend to look like the one we follow, whether it be Christ or some other leader. Little by little we change into the very image as step by step we follow the works of another. Perhaps this is why the apostle Paul wrote the following: " But we Christians have no veils over our faces; we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him.

-Bryant Reynolds

Daytime Bible Study

Are you interested in a daytime Bible Study? Do you know someone who is? Please let Keith Edwards know if you are, what day you suggest, and topics you would be interested in studying

**Gospel Meeting CDs**

If you are interested in obtaining a copy of any or all of the lessons given at our recent Gospel Meeting, featuring Joe Wells, please see Vince Cracchiolo. CDs of each lesson are now available.