

# The Astoria Christian

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Our Services!

## Sunday

1<sup>st</sup> Morn. Worship ..... 8 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 9 a.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Morn. Worship ..... 10 a.m.  
Wed. nights ..... 6-7:30p.m.

## September

Sunday, September 11th:

during Sunday School, Dorce Mission update  
after second service, Youth Comm. Meeting  
4:00- 5:00 p.m. Galilean Service at Camp  
Emmanuel

6:00p.m. Board meeting

Tuesday, September 13th 6:30p.m.

The Man Up group meeting Damon Sherrod's  
home

Saturday, September 17th, 1:00 -

2:00 p.m. during homecoming, Gospel music  
with the King Family Band

Sunday, September 18th, 10:30 -

11:30 a.m. Community Worship Service in the  
square, with Dr. Don Green preaching. (No  
church services at church)

Monday, September 19th, 6:00 p.m.

East LaMoine Camp Fellowship at Berean  
Christian Church Ipava, IL

Wednesday, September 21st, 6:00-

8:00 p.m. Family Night Kick Off!!!

Thursday, September 22nd, 6:30 p.m.

Soul Sisters' meeting

Sunday, September 25th, 1:00 p.m.

Soul Sisters' paint day to brighten up the  
foyer. Everyone is invited to join us.

Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-

7:30 p.m. Family Night

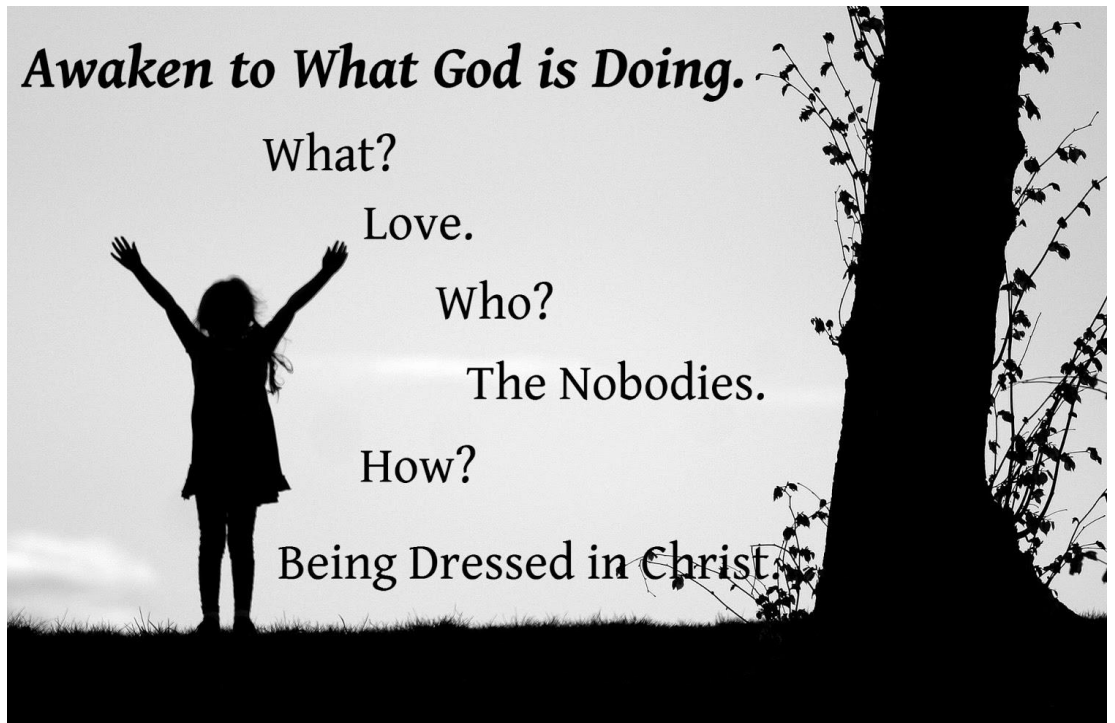
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*Love God, Serve God, Love Others, Serve Others*



*Awaken to What God is Doing.*

What?

Love.

Who?

The Nobodies.

How?

Being Dressed in Christ

## It's pretty easy to get frustrated.

Those moments of frustration happen far too often, whether its circumstances that don't go my way or situations that fail to meet my expectations. But I think one of the most frustrating areas of our lives is in our relationships.

Now I don't want you to think that everyone frustrates me or that I get annoyed easily, but if we are really honest with ourselves, most of our frustration comes because of people. Whether it's our husband because he just can't seem to get that seat put back down, or our wife because she keeps reminding us that we failed to put the seat back down, or our kids who don't ever seem to listen. Maybe it's a co-worker or boss or a friend or that guy who pulled out in front of you in traffic. People frustrate us.

We often think that if only people would change then we wouldn't get as frustrated with them. If they only did something differently or said things differently or dressed differently then we wouldn't be as frustrated by them. But it seems like the more we try to get them to change the more frustrated we get. Despite our best arguments, all those other people who agree with us and the books that back up our point, we can't change anyone. We don't have that power. It might look like someone changed by our arguments (or our manipulation) but ultimately that change is either short-lived or really not because of us. We might be a part of the reason, but really the only person who can change them is them.

We ultimately cannot change others. And I believe the sooner we come to realize that and live that out, the less frustrated we'll actually be. In fact, we have instruction on how to handle this from Paul in Romans 14. I want to encourage you to read the whole chapter to get his full meaning, but in verse 1, we read, "Accept other believers who are weak in faith, and don't argue with them about what they think is right or wrong." (NLT). He tells us to accept (not just tolerate or ignore) others who differ from us in opinions.

He also tells us in verse 10, "So why do you condemn another believer? Why do you look down on another believer?" (NLT) This doesn't mean we don't share our opinion or lovingly discuss our viewpoint, but we need to realize our limits in the other person's choice. The old adage, 'You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink,' fits perfectly here. And so what are we called to do? Accept them, just as God accepted us in our failure, and lovingly allow God to change them. Serving Him and you, Matthew

## Sumer Splash Bash was a success!

Thank you to everyone who donated supplies, time, and food. We had 60 plus kids and their families enjoy the day!

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## Attendance/Offering for August

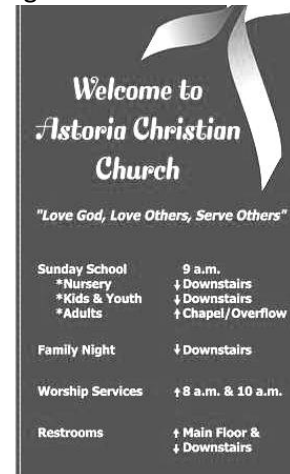
date	1 <sup>st</sup>	S.S.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	offering	offering needed
7 <sup>th</sup>	10	30	50	\$992.08	\$1,685.56
14 <sup>th</sup>	15	31	60	\$1,174.00	\$1,685.56
21 <sup>st</sup>	17	25	62	\$1,648.00	\$1,685.56
28 <sup>th</sup>	17	29	70	\$1,433.10	\$1,685.56
Totals	57	115	243	\$5,247.18	\$6,742.24
Averages	14	28	60		

## The Soul Sisters

At Soul Sisters last meeting the bulletin board in the basement was decorated. Thank you Nicole Elliot for the fall items for the bulletin board.

We will be updating the foyer, with the Church Boards approval. We will begin with painting on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 1p.m. Everyone is invited to come and help.

We will also have a banner placed somewhere in the foyer. It will look something like this:



Food Baskets were discussed as well, if you know anyone that would be blessed to have a basket, please let Judy know.

Assisting with milk money for our school children was also discussed, if you

would like to donate to this fund contact Judy Beaird or Pamela Carlock.

Our next Meeting is September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Hope to see all our ladies there!

## Prayer list (8/25/2016)

Olivia Anaganostopolus - cancer  
Doris Baker – Alzheimer's, fractures, seizures  
Mike Bankes – cancer  
Patricia Barnes - home now, started Physical Therapy (6/26/16) Sharon Jones's niece  
Denise Belville - continued health issues  
Joyce Belville's niece, JoAnn, brain tumor removed, cancer found, radiation begins wk of 7-3-16 and chemo after  
Hurley Crossman - biopsy kidney tumor (12-13-15)  
Jack Danner - hospice  
Linda Danner - continued healing on arm  
Charlotte Elliott - EEG test Tuesday (8-24-16)  
Mary Ellen Farwell - hospitalized with breathing troubles  
Brenda Fawcett – Lori Rodrigues mom, tumor  
Sharon Griffith - heart  
Sharon Harris – home, decided no more major medical intervention  
Jeanne Hartman - Broken Hip, Joyce Palmer's sister  
Rick Heller - kidney transplant recovery (5-22-16)  
Terry Lehman - cancer  
Laurie Martin - Lung Transplant recovery, home 6-12-16  
Shirley Molenbruck - heart attacks, not doing well (Kay Mathewson's mother-i-l)  
John Moose – partial intestine removal & blood clotting issue  
Bob Mummert - bladder problems 7-3-16  
Dan Palmer - scope on kidney (8-31-16)  
Rodney Parks - skin grafts complete, pray for healing (6-26-16)  
Joel Rittenhouse (4-10-16)  
Alan Snyder - personal  
Judy Wilson - needs kidney transplant  
Doug Wright - in hospital with pneumonia, Don Elliott's step-dad  
Condolences:  
Blake Westlake Family  
Evelyn's Family (Don Watson's sister)  
*Please let Matthew or Marcia know prayer list updates. Thank you*