



Join us as we celebrate the love of our Savior!

July 4, 2021

Worship Service

<u>Greeting and Announcements:</u>	Pastor Arnie
<u>Prayer:</u>	Pastor Arnie
<u>Time of Worship:</u>	*The Star-Spangled Banner *The Church's One Foundation
<u>Scripture:</u>	Romans 7:1-8:4
<u>Children's Message:</u>	Pastor Arnie
<u>Special Music:</u>	Janie Terwilliger
<u>The Message:</u>	Freedom in Christ - Pastor Arnie A Declaration of Independence
<u>Closing Hymn:</u>	*Whiter than Snow

***Please Stand If You Are Able**

You are always welcome to come to the altar to pray

Announcements

Pastor Arnie – Will be on vacation Jul. 5th – 10th.

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes are available in the Foyer. There is a supply of blank offering envelopes also available. We suggest that you fill out your name and address on the first couple blank envelopes so a proper credit can be made to your statement.

H20 – Aaron Kaufman will be sharing his ministry with H20 during the worship service on Sun. Jul. 11th.

Celebration of Life – The family of Dick Wyant will be having a Celebration of Life on Sun., Jul. 11th between 2:00-4:00 p.m. This will take place at Dick & Winnie's home, 7769 Akron Rd., Sterling OH. RSVP to Lora 478-960-6406 or lora@1791.com

Mary Nelson Celebration of Life – Please join us on Mon., Jul. 12th at 11:00 am at FCOG, for a Celebration of the Life of our Mom, Mary Nelson and the wife of Virgil Nelson. Mom passed away on Mar. 27th at the age of 92. Delayed by the pandemic, we will come together to share what our Mom meant to us in the celebration of her life. Pastor Arnie Kaufman will officiate the service and a meal will follow in the Fellowship Hall. The family requests that due to the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic variants that everyone wear masks (unless you have difficulty in doing so) and follow physical distancing measures where appropriate. Thank you for this consideration.

Mountain Vision Cookout – We will be having a cookout in the pavillion following Worship on Sun., Jul. 18th. More details to follow. All are welcome to join!

Celebration of Life Sunday – If you have lost a loved one during the pandemic (*March 2020-present*), we will be having a Celebration of Life Ceremony to honor them following Worship on Jul. 25th. Complete a Celebration of Life form so we can honor your loved one. Forms are located on the Welcome Center.

FCOG Men's Softball Schedule

Monday, July 12th
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 13th
6:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

All are welcome to come cheer the guys on!!!

Praise & Prayer Patch

Family of Ruby Bloom – keep the family in your prayers as Ruby passed away on Jun. 25th.

Bob Donelson – prayers needed for Bob as he will be having a EMG test done on Jul. 6th due to back issues.

Family of Harlan Gregor – please keep Linda and the family in your prayers as her husband passed away Weds., Jun. 23rd.

Ruthann & Dale Reidenbach – please keep Cherri Thompson's mother and father in your prayers as Ruthann was recently diagnosed with cancer.

*Names are kept on the bulletin's **Prayer Patch** for two weeks unless instructed otherwise. (Cards are appreciated even if you don't know the person.) For **Prayer Chain** via phone & email, please contact: Mabel Kirchner (330)262-8165 and John Nixon (330)465-5153.*

Scripture

Romans 7:1-8:4 NIV

¹ Do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? ² For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. ³ So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man. ⁴ So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. ⁵ For when we were in the realm of the flesh, the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. ⁶ But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code. ⁷ What shall we say, then? Is the law sinful? Certainly not! Nevertheless, I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." ⁸ But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of coveting. For apart from the law, sin was dead. ⁹ Once I was alive apart from the law; but when the commandment came, sin sprang to life and I died. ¹⁰ I found that the very commandment that was

intended to bring life actually brought death. ¹¹ For sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death. ¹² So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good. ¹³ Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! Nevertheless, in order that sin might be recognized as sin, it used what is good to bring about my death, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful. ¹⁴ We know that the law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin. ¹⁵ I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. ¹⁶ And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. ²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner being I delight in God's law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in my sinful nature a slave to the law of sin. **8** ¹Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Sermon Notes

- I. **We are free from the _____ ("do to be").** (7:1-6)
- II. **We are free from the frustration of the _____.** (7:14-25)
- III. **We are free from _____.** (8:1-4)

Week at a Glance

<u>TODAY:</u>	Independence Day
	8:00 a.m. Bible Study
	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Worship (in sanctuary)
<u>TUES 6th:</u>	4:30 p.m. TOPS
<u>THUR 8th:</u>	8:30 a.m. Line Dancing Class
	10:30 a.m. Al-Anon

Attendance Last Sunday

75

Offering Last Sunday

\$5,010.50



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Sermon Notes-Answers

- I. We are free from the **LAW** ("do to be"). (7:1-6)

- II. We are free from the frustration of the

FLESH. (7:14-25)

- III. We are free from **CONDEMNATION**. (8:1-4)