



**Our Purpose is to expand God's Kingdom, as we reach,  
teach, disciple and activate people for our  
Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Morganton First Church of God Weekly Schedule**

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| <b>Communion in the Prayer Room</b>                        | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Sunday School:</b>                                      | <b>9:30 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Sunday Morning Worship</b>                              | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> |
| <b>Sunday Evenings</b>                                     | <b>6:00 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>Power House Youth and Prayer Service</b>                |                   |
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| <b>Wednesday Fellowship Supper</b>                         | <b>5:45 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>Wednesday Small Groups</b>                              | <b>6:00 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>Wednesday Evening Services</b>                          | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>Adult Bible Study, KidsPlace &amp; PowerHouse Youth</b> |                   |

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**PROCLAIMER**



"See what love the Father has given us,  
  
that we should be called children of God."

1 John 3:1

### **Jesus Shows Us the Father**

The need to know God lies deep within the spirit of man. To know that there is a Creator, a Divine Intervener, a Lover of my Soul, Someone who cares about us, Someone who has our best interests at heart, is a need basic to our very existence. It crosses cultures, ages, ethnic groups, geography and time. Just listen to our hearts as we make our prayer requests: "Pray for me...;" "Pray for my mother...;" "Pray for my family...;" "Pray for work for me...;" "Pray that I will be faithful...;" "Pray that I will discern God's will...;" "Ask God for me...;"

Jesus came and lived among us. He taught; He lived; He loved; He Was, Is, and Always Will Be. The prophets foretold His Coming. The Long-Awaited One would come at the right time -- God's time. Now, in 2008, we are called upon to recognize that through the Son, the Father has dwelt amongst us. And He has come not to just dwell among us, but to indwell us. That is, He has come to invade our very existence. He has come to permeate every cell, every pore of our humanity. He has come to be our very reason for existence, for being. He wants us to know that He knows us, to believe that He wants to be involved in our lives. He wants to be in our conversations, our thinking, our commerce, our relating to one another. He says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. To any who will open to me, I will come in and dine with him."

He is a gentleman. He awaits our opening and inviting Him in -- into the core, and into the activities of our lives. When Phillip requested Him, "Show us the Father," Jesus replied, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not seen the Father. The Father and I are One." Then He goes on to instruct -- you are to be one with the Son, one with the Father, and one in the Body of Christ. This is not a frivolous concept. Inconvenient? Yes. But definitely not frivolous or trivial. The Body of Christ (that is, you and me, and all of us) are called upon to invite Him in, to see the Father, and to allow Him to make us different than anything we could ever presume to be outside of Him. Heart transplant? You bet.

For, you see, it is in responding to His awesome Love Gift that the spirit of man re-unites with its Creator. Advent.... The Coming; The Arrival. The Long-Awaited One. He offers. He invites. He holds open His arms of love, acceptance, forgiveness, freedom and provision.

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