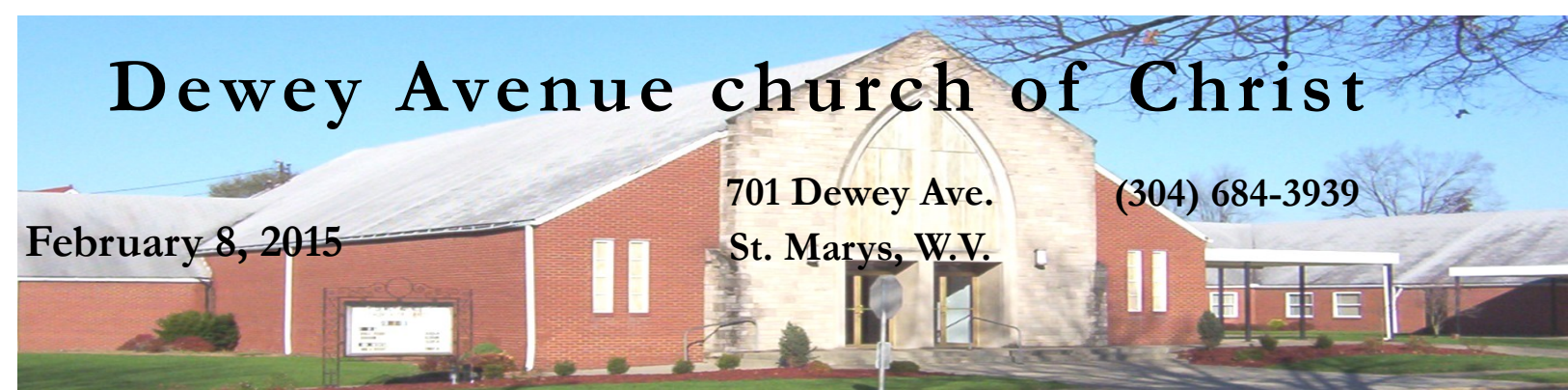


**Morning Sermon:**

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**Evening Sermon:**

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**Eternal Life here on Earth?**

**by Dale Parsley**

I came across an article last week titled, "Eternal life could be achieved by procedure to lengthen chromosomes." Understanding how this works is pretty complicated. Allegedly scientists discovered a way "to lengthen telomeres which are the protective caps that are on the end of chromosomes and shorten with age. The telomeres protect chromosomes from getting damage as cells divide and grow. But as they do, they slowly become shorter and eventually are unable to protect chromosomes. When that happens, they are liable to deteriorate – thought to be a key part of the ageing process." ([www.independent.co.uk/news/science/eternal-life-could-be-achieved-by-procedure-to-lengthen-chromosomes-10020974.html](http://www.independent.co.uk/news/science/eternal-life-could-be-achieved-by-procedure-to-lengthen-chromosomes-10020974.html))

I find this to be pretty interesting. If it works, think of how much money we'd be willing to pay for this procedure? I remember as a kid I watched a movie called "Tuck Everlasting." The movie was about a family that drank water from a tree that made them immortal. Whatever they did, they could not die. One thing interesting about the movie is that this family's immortality was more of a cursing than a blessing. Think about it: living forever in a sin-sick filled world with the wickedness and suffering of man isn't really the kind of eternal life to be admired. Without God, once you accomplish all your goals, obtain all your riches, fulfill all your pleasures, what's left to keep you satisfied?

While I'm not saying that living long is bad, as Christians we need to remember that Hebrews 9:27 says, "And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment." Medical discoveries that prolong life are great. But that does not mean they can keep us alive forever. In the days before the flood, people in Scripture lived for hundreds of years. Even if we surpassed the age of Methuselah who lived for 969 years (Genesis 5:27), that is but a passing moment compared to eternity.

Regardless of how long we live on this earth, for God's children, this world is not our home (John 14:1-4). This world will one day perish (2 Peter 3:10), and our ultimate desire is for the eternal life that awaits us, not the one here on earth (Colossians 3:1-4).

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NEWS AND NOTES:

**Prayer Meeting:** Sunday, 6:00 PM

**Tonight:** Visitor packet meeting after evening service. This meeting will put together packets.

**Tuesday:** Ladies quilting in the fellowship room

**Wednesday Night Bible Class:**

...the Bible and mental health issues.

**Thursday:** Sing @ Carehaven 7:15pm

**Feb 13th:** Youth game and devotional night at the home of Darren & Terri Parks at 6:00pm.

**Feb. 22 Soup Outreach/Morning Potluck:** We will need canning jars for this event. Please bring in any canning jars throughout the month of February.

\*Have updates or bulletin announcements? please contact Terri Parks 304-299-1650 or at terrinazelrod@hotmail.com

**All Female Members:** Please pick up the updated Groups list (for meals), located in the back. Also let us know if any changes need to be made.

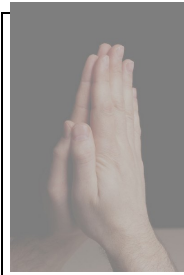
**Feb 16:** Doers of the Word meeting in the fellowship room @ 7pm

**Feb 22:** Traveling Youth Group @ Rosemar Rd in Parkersburg.

Richard & Brenda Davis' address in Florida is:  
Lakefront Ridge RV Park  
1310 Arizona Ave. Lot 548  
Frostproof, FL 33843

**"Blessed be the God & Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies & God of all comfort, who comforts us in our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. 2Cor 1:3-4"**

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:



Buzz Williams is home after spending time in the hospital last week and is improving.

Geraldine Stewart is room 303 @ Heartland and Bob Stewart is in room 307.

Barbara Eddy is in the hospital in Columbus. Her phone # is 614-293-1547.

Remember those on our prayer list:

Faye Williams, Bob and Geraldine Stewart, Barbara Eddy, Robert Noland, Marie Newland, Janie Judge, Kenny Lancaster, Jodi Mote, Gary Maston, Jane Becker, Dick Dutton, Ronnie Frye, & Madeline McFadden. Remember those who are shut-in, receiving cancer treatments, traveling and our military.

Schedule of Services:

Sunday:

Morning:

Bible Class: 9:30

Worship: 10:30

Evening:

Prayer Meeting: 6:00

Worship: 6:30

Wednesday:

Bible Study: 7:00

THOSE SERVING February 8th:

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Gerald Burns

Song Leader: DJ Kessinger

Ushers: Melvin Truax, Connor Lancaster

Communion: Eric Croasmun, Craig Dutton, Ethan Davis, Randy Fluharty, Rodney Ramsey, Elmer Burns

Reading and Prayer: Clint Perkins

Closing Prayer: Dave Parks

Door Greeters: Clay Perkins Family, Elmer and Pam Burns

Evening Worship:

Communion: Kevin Mercer

Prayer: Connor Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Wednesday:

Song leader: DJ Kessinger

Prayer: Lew Wilson

Closing Prayer: Dave Lancaster

THOSE SERVING February 15th

Announcements: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Wirt Cook

Ushers: Bill Dutton, Glenn Stewart

Communion: Dave Lancaster, Buzz Williams, Jesse Barnhart, Stephan Hays, Clay Perkins

Reading and Prayer: Lew Wilson

Closing Prayer: Craig Dutton

Door Greeters: Kevin Mercer Family, Colleen Keister & Rene Rockhold

Evening Worship:

Communion: Brian Mercer

Prayer: Kyle Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Thomas Kessinger

Wednesday:

Song leader: Wirt Cook

Prayer: Gerald Burns

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Radio and TV Programs

**Good News of Peace:** Sundays: 8:00 AM on WRR 93.9 FM

**Gospel Broadcasting Network:** Dish Network Channel: 9407 (noon); Direct TV Channel: 376 (7:30 AM)

**In Search of the Lord's Way:** 7:30—Channel 4, Parkersburg; 7:30—Channel 15, Parkersburg; 8:00— Channel 7, Wheeling; 11:30—Channel 5, Clarksburg

