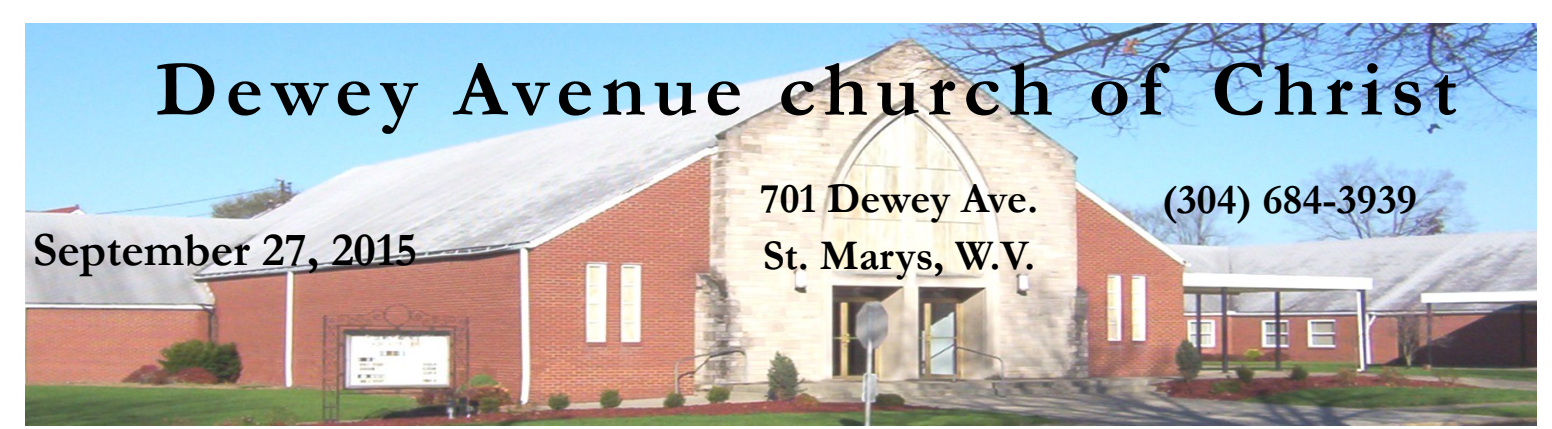


Morning Sermon:

8 A's of Confession

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**LOVE WON OUT:**

By Dale Parsley

“No one treated Lincoln with more contempt than did Edwin Stanton, who denounced Lincoln’s policies and called him a ‘low cunning clown.’ Stanton had nicknamed him ‘the original gorilla’ and said that explorer Paul Du Chaillu was a fool to wander about in Africa trying to capture a gorilla when he could have found one so easily in Springfield, Missouri. Lincoln said nothing in reply. In fact, he made Stanton his war minister because Stanton was the best man for the job. He treated him with every courtesy. The years wore on. The night came when an assassins’ bullet struck down Lincoln in a theater. In a room off to the side of where Lincoln’s body was taken, stood Stanton that night. As he looked down on the silent, rugged face of the president, Stanton said through his tears, “There lies the greatest ruler of men the world has ever seen.’ The patience of love had conquered in the end.” (Roy Zuck, The Speakers Source Quote Book, p. 282)

Perhaps one of the hardest things to do in life, is to love someone who dislikes or even hates you. But as seen with Lincoln, the best way to get rid of an enemy is not to dominate him into submission, but to change his mind from a response of love. Jesus said “*You have heard that it was said, “you shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ (44) But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, and do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you” (Matthew 5:43-44).* Will that lead everyone to Christ, or make everyone your friend? No. Paul wrote in **Romans 12:18**, “*If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.*” Implied is that you can only do your part and you’re not responsible for the actions of another. However, we are still obligated not to take personal revenge on another, because “*Vengeance is Mine, I will repay’ says the Lord. (20) Therefore if your enemy hungers, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head” (Romans 12:19-20).* “*Coals of fire on his head*” seems to indicate a regret for mistreating you since you don’t deserve mistreatment. This also means you’re not being overcome by evil, but overcoming evil with good (**Romans 12:21**). The best way to change others and change the world is in Christ - let love win out!

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NEWS AND NOTES:

**Prayer Meeting:** Every Sunday at 6:00pm in the fellowship room.

**September 27th:** Birthday & Anniversary Potluck Dinner held after evening services tonight! Come, stay and eat!

**Gospel Meetings:** Many upcoming meetings listed on the back bulletin.

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**Change of Address:**

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Memory Verses

*Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ~ 1 Corinthians 13: 4-5*



REMEMBER IN PRAYER:



\*Betty Jo Hinton is at CCMH.

\*Pat Hayes cracked her elbow in 3 places.

\*Kenny Lancaster has to have more upcoming treatments.

\*Anthony Butcher is home after a short illness in the hospital.

**Remember those on our prayer list:** Terry Hubner, Betty Jo Hinton, Pat Duer, The Family of Lyle Dearth Jr., Charlotte Wilson, Sue Holland, Evelyn Hall, Geraldine Stewart, Anthony Butcher, Dana Dalrymple, Myles Manning, Janie Judge, & 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 September 27th:**

*Morning Worship:*

**Announcements:** Dave Parks

**Song Leader:** Darren Parks

**Ushers:** Thomas Kessinger, Rodney Ramsey

**Communion:** Hal Powell, Clint Perkins, Bill Dutton, Richard Lee Davis, Ethan Davis, Cole Butcher

**Reading and Prayer:** Lew Wilson

**Closing Prayer:** Brian Mercer

**Door Greeters:** Richard & Brenda Davis, Ruth Ann Keith & Sue Holland

*Evening Worship:*

**Communion:** Dave Lancaster

**Prayer:** Darren Parks

**Closing Prayer:** Thomas Kessinger

*Wednesday:*

**Song leader:** Darren Parks

**Prayer:** Kevin Mercer

**Closing Prayer:** John Rockhold

**THOSE SERVING October 4th:**

*Morning Worship:*

**Announcements:** Dave Lancaster

**Song Leader:** Buzz Williams

**Ushers:** Cole Butcher, Jason Cuzzens

**Communion:** Larry Butcher, Tom Becker, Richard Davis, Bill Dutton, Jesse Barnhart, Ethan Davis

**Reading and Prayer:** Clint Perkins

**Closing Prayer:** Melvin Truax

**Door Greeters:** Clay Perkins Family, Gerald & Janice Burns

*Evening Worship:*

**Communion:** Glenn Stewart

**Prayer:** Brian Mercer

**Closing Prayer:** Craig Dutton

*Wednesday:*

**Song leader:** Buzz Williams

**Prayer:** Dave Parks

**Closing Prayer:** Clay Perkins

Radio and TV Programs

**Good News of Peace:** Sundays: 8:00 AM on WRRR 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

