

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

June 30, 2024

701 Dewey Avenue
St. Marys, WV (304) 684-3939

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Sun Bible Class:
9:00 AM

Sun AM Worship:
10:00 AM

Sun PM Worship:
5:00 PM

Wednesday

7:00 PM

Leadership:

Elders:

Dave Lancaster

Hal Powell

Melvin Truax

Lew Wilson

Deacons:

Joe Elrod

Brian Mercer

Darren Parks

Clay Perkins

Minister:

Dale Parsley

Youth Minister:

Carlos Molina

A Judgment Jesus Reserves for Himself

I know of no congregation of the Lord's church that can claim perfection. If churches are composed of people, they will have their problems. It is true that we are saved people (Acts 2:47), holy people (1 Pet. 2:9), and sanctified people (1 Cor. 6:11). But we are also weak people (Matt. 26:41) who are not above sin (1 John 1:8). But these weaknesses and sins do not necessarily mean that God has cast off the congregation wherein these weaknesses and sins exist. For proof of that we need look no farther than the church in the ancient city of Corinth.

At the time Paul wrote his first letter to the church there, they were a troubled group, struggling to jettison the influences of their past. Factions had formed in the church over preachers. There was an immoral relationship among them that they not only refused to deal with, but they were also proud of their tolerance of it. They were taking each other to small claims court. They were trying to navigate sticky marriage and divorce situations. There was dissension over what to do about eating food that had been offered to idols. Their worship assemblies had become chaotic and divisive. And if that were not enough, a sizeable number of Christians there were denying a fundamental tenet of the Christian religion – the bodily resurrection of the dead.

Despite all their flaws, Paul still identifies them this way: "...the church of God which is at Corinth...those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours" (1 Cor. 1:2). It is amazing that even with their manifold imperfections, they were still God's church. They were still set apart in Christ. They were still saints just like all the other saints. They still called on the same Lord as the rest of the saints. What's more, Paul was thankful for them (1:4) and confidently affirmed that "our Lord Jesus Christ...will also confirm you to the end, blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1:7-8). While some of us may have withdrawn our fellowship from Corinth quickly, publicly, and shamelessly, neither God nor the apostle Paul were so hasty.

This does not mean, however, that they could ignore their problems and maintain that status indefinitely (cf. Rev. 2:5; 3:20). But it does shine a bright light on the longsuffering of God, and it reminds us that HE has the final say on the status of his churches. We can and should warn the faithful of the dangers of false doctrine and the teachers of it (Eph. 5:11; Rom. 16:17-18; Phil. 3:2). And Christians should be wise in deciding where they will work and worship, not needlessly putting themselves in harm's way. But Jesus gets to decide when a congregation has so departed from the path of truth that they can no longer be called one of his churches (cf. Rev. 2:5).

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R a d i o a n d T V P r o g r a m s

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

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Worship Schedule

June— Hal Powell

July— Lew Wilson

June 30

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Camaron L
Song Leader: Connor Lancaster
Usher/Monitor: Melvin Truax
Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns
Communion: Dave Lancaster
Closing Prayer: Tom Becker

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L
Song Leader: Connor Lancaster
Communion: Dave Lancaster
Closing Prayer: Tom Becker

Wednesday July 3

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L
Song Leader: Connor Lancaster
Closing Prayer: Carlos Molina

Door Greeters: Melvin Truax, Clay Perkins

July 7

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Hal Powell
Song Leader: Caleb Parsley
Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker
Usher/Monitor: Lew Wilson
Communion: Dave Parks
Closing Prayer: Clay Perkins

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell
Song Leader: Caleb Parsley
Communion: Dave Parks
Closing Prayer: Clay Perkins

Wednesday July 10

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell
Song Leader: Caleb Parsley
Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Door Greeters:

Upcoming Events

*Our Wed evening Summer Series will continue this Wednesday with Peter Ray Cole and will feature a different speaker every Wed thru July 31st.

July 3— Peter Ray Cole

July 10— Terry Jones

July 17— Kyle Lancaster

July 24— Ed Melott

July 31— John Board

*July 28th will be a Church-eat-Church

Youth Events

- OVCYC & WVCYC youth continue today!
- If anyone would like to monetarily help with WVCYC junior week crafts and activities, please see Jamie or Miranda.

Birthday & Anniversary this week

June 30— Carson Parsley

July 5— Emily Lancaster

July 6— Ed Wilson

PRAYER LIST

*Kenny Lancaster had shoulder replacement surgery on June 27th.

*Becca Lamp Barnhart suffered a broken leg last week and is recovering.

*Marlin Runnion is in Encompass recovering from recent back surgery and hopes to come home today.

*Daryan Perkins feeling much better after a brief illness.

*Continue to keep Zack Lamp in your prayers.

Rodney Ramsey Family, Shirley Hearn, Delores Butcher, Kenny Lancaster, Jacob Andrew, Glenn & Gala Stewart, Joyce Barnhart, Judy Lough, Betty McFarland, Rhonda Perkins, James Bennett, Evelyn Hall, Fay Williams, Betty Timmons, Marlin Runnion, Jane Ann Becker, Jeremy Rhodes, Dave St. Peter, Bill & Lorraine Dutton, Gerald & Janice Burns, Gail & Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Cecil Cline, Destiny Gray, Zack Lamp, Jim Grove, Larry Truax, and Carolyn Rule.

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