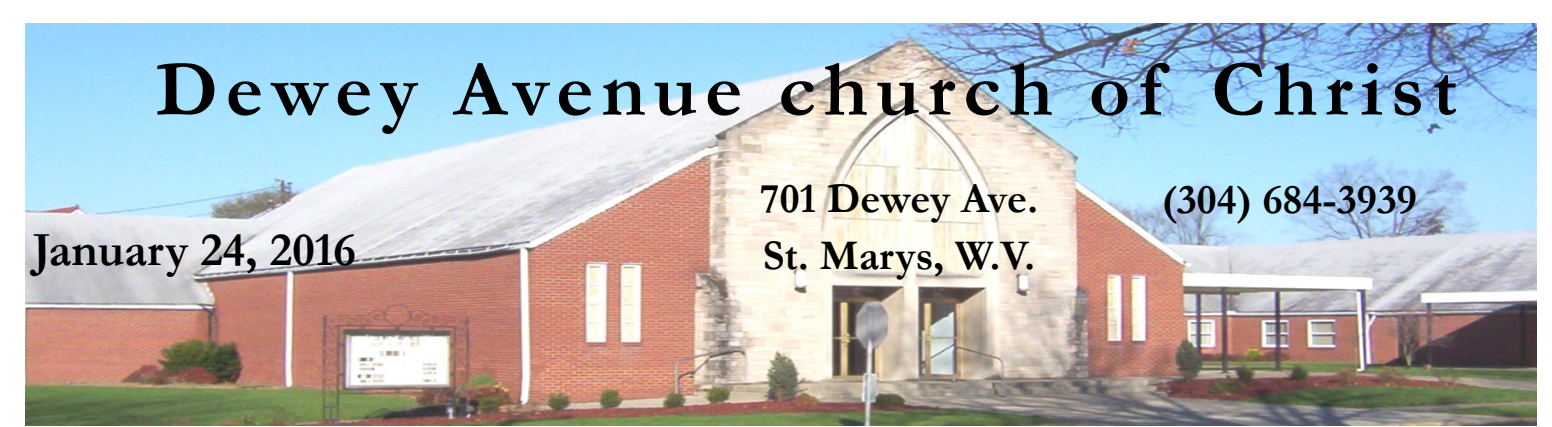


**Morning Sermon:**

To Change or not to Change?

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**THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR:**

**By Dale Parsley**

This month's edition of the Christian Chronicle, writer Jonathan Strasser had a very interesting article titled, "In 2016, take up James A. Harding's challenge to read the Bible in a year." James A. Harding was a gospel preacher in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. He launched "his ministry on horseback in 1876 – nearly a half century before Harding University in Searcy, Ark., first bore his name." He writes, "If Harding preached in your congregation, he would invariably ask you for something at the end of his sermon – your signature on a pledge card. This was no fundraising campaign. Harding wanted only one thing – for you to read your Bible all the way through in the next 12 months. He believed the 'chief duty of the teacher in the church is to lead people to the daily, diligent, prayerful study of the Word.'" "He challenged ministers to adopt a more strenuous workout schedule of four to six hours of Bible reading per day."

I know the month of January is coming to an end, but as I said last Sunday morning, one reason I don't like new year resolutions is because we can think that's the only time we can make changes in our life, and if we didn't start on day one, somehow we've already "missed the boat" and we'll have to wait until next year. The fact is if you were to read three chapters in the Old Testament and one chapter in the New Testament every day, you can read through the Bible in one year. Sometimes our daily schedules may be slammed with things to do, but it's not impossible to find time to read just 15-20 minutes a day (especially when we consider how television we watch.) "Recent Nielsen reports indicate the average American adult's TV consumption (live, streaming and play-back) is about 150 hours per month, or five hours per day."

Regardless of how many years we've been in Christ and have neglected the study of His Word, today is a new day, make it a new start in being students of His Word!

*"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15).*

**REFERENCES:**

Jonathan Strasser, Christian Chronicle, January, 2016

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NEWS AND NOTES:

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

**Soup Outreach:** Will be held January 31. This event will be a church-eat-church. Bring a pot of your favorite soup and some Mason Jars!

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*We want to express our deep appreciation to those who made visits to mother in the hospital & while at the Arbors. To those who sent cards, the lap quilters who made the beautiful lap quilt, she had it with her all the time & loved it. Thanks for the basket at Christmas & for the beautiful picture of the old church at the funeral home. Thank you to so many that expressed their wishes for better health, then sympathy. A big thank you to who fixed food & served the dinner after the funeral. She loved her church family and will be missed. We can be assured that she is at peace & has reached her heavenly home. Also, thank you for all the prayers given on her behalf & ours. Your thoughtfulness will never be forgotten.*

*In Christian Love,*

*Rhanda & Don Archer and Roger Knight*



Winter Training Series

Thursdays 7:00-8:00 P.M.

January 7th- 28th

Roger Rush - Marriage and the Family

Andy Robison – Sermons from Songs

Ed Melott - Bible Geography

Randy Baker - 1 Thessalonians

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER:



\*Sue Holland continues to receive her chemo treatments.

\*Rodney Ramsey had a heart catheterization on Thursday and the results came back good.

\*Faye Williams continues to be down with arthritis.

\*Cold and Flu season is among us again please keep those that are battling sickness at this time in prayer.

*Remember those on our prayer list:* Scott Judge, Barbara Eddy, Claris Powell, The Family of Pete Knight, Terry Hubner, Kenny Lancaster, Pat Duer, Sue Holland, Evelyn Hall, Geraldine Stewart, Anthony Butcher, Dana Dalrymple, Myles Manning, Sonny Williams, & 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 January 24th:**

*Morning Worship:*

**Announcements:** Gerald Burns

**Song Leader:** Wirt Cook

**Ushers:** Bill Dutton, Glenn Stewart

**Communion:** Dave Parks, Kevin Mercer, Randy Fluharty, Ethan Davis, Richard Davis, Richard Lee Davis

**Reading and Prayer:** Dave Parks

**Closing Prayer:** Lew Wilson

**Door Greeters:** Ruth Ann Keith & Gala Stewart, Dave & Carla Parks

*Evening Worship:*

**Communion:** Camaron Lancaster

**Prayer:** Thomas Kessinger

**Closing Prayer:** Clay Perkins

*Wednesday:*

**Song leader:** Wirt Cook

**Prayer:** Larry Butcher

**Closing Prayer:** Melvin Truax

**THOSE SERVING January 31st:**

*Morning Worship:*

**Announcements:** Larry Butcher

**Song Leader:** Buzz Williams

**Ushers:** Jesse Barnhart, Ethan Davis

**Communion:** Camaron Lancaster, Connor Lancaster, Jason Cuzzen, Rodney Ramsey, Cole Butcher, Elmer Burns

**Reading and Prayer:** Brian Mercer

**Closing Prayer:** Eric Croasmun

**Door Greeters:** Melvin & Sue Truax, Bill Dutton Family

*Evening Worship:*

**Communion:** Hal Powell

**Prayer:** Dave Lancaster

**Closing Prayer:** Tom Becker

*Wednesday:*

**Song leader:** Buzz Williams

**Prayer:** Larry Butcher

**Closing Prayer:** Melvin Truax

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

