

Those Serving:

January 17

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Usher/Monitor: Bill Dutton

Usher/Monitor: Richard Lee Davis

Communion: Gerald Burns

Reading and Prayer: Caleb Parsley

Closing Prayer: Connor Lancaster

Wednesday Jan 20

Announcements: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Prayer: Dave Parks

Closing Prayer: Lew Wilson

January 24

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Dave Parks

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns

Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker

Communion: Dave Lancaster

Reading and Prayer: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Darren Parks

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Worship Coordinator: Jan: Darren Parks Feb: Lew Wilson

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“WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?”

Dale Parsley

On one occasion, Jesus and His disciples were crossing the sea of Galilee, when a great storm arose. A storm severe enough to frighten veteran fisherman, caused them to awaken Jesus and inform them of their impending doom. After Jesus miraculously calmed the storm, He asked, “Where is your faith?” (Luke 8:25).

In Luke 8, we learn the following things about faith:

1. *Faith in Christ only occurs to those who are willing.* After Jesus casted out numerous demons into a herd of swine that caused them to drown; the Gadarene locals did not deny His miracle, but still had no desire to know more about Him. Perhaps they more concerned about material things than salvation from sin (verse 37). On another occasion, those mourning over the death of a young girl, refused to have an open mind that Jesus had the ability to raise her from the dead, in which He did (verses 53-56). Contrast them with others who were more open minded and willing to believe in Jesus’ miracles out of a desire to make their lives better. The woman who had a discharge of blood for 12 years, believed that by just touching Jesus’ garment, she could be healed (verses 40-48). The same could be said of Jairus, who sought after Jesus, believing He could heal His only daughter (verses 49-56).

2. *Faith is more than just belief.* Faith is belief that decides to trust, demonstrated in action (James 2:14-26; Hebrews 11:1-26). Some did not travel with Jesus everywhere He went, but showed their faith in financial support (verses 1-3). Like the man cured of his demon possession, faith indicates one speaks of God’s greatness and blessings (verse 39).

3. *Faith is intended to grow.* The fear of the disciples from the storm that arose while crossing the sea of Galilee (verses 22-26), does not mean they had no faith, rather, their faith was weak. Like Abraham, who lied about Sarah being his wife in order to protect himself (Genesis 12:10-20), did not have the level of faith to believe the promise God made to Him earlier in the chapter of protection (verses 2-3). However, years later, His willingness to obey God when He commanded him to sacrifice his only son, was because his faith led him to believe that God would raise him from the dead (Hebrews 11:17-19).

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N E W S & N O T E S



Upcoming Events

ANNOUNCEMENT!!!!

The elders have decided to resume service starting Sunday 12/6/20 at 10am. There will be no Sunday PM service. We will also resume Wednesday Night Bible Class at 7pm. We will have three Bible Classes on Wednesday, 5th grade and under, 6th grade thru 12th grade, and an adults class.

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4. Faith has obstacles, and are not always "intellectual." The parable of the sower in verses 5-15, represents how people respond in faith, following Jesus. The shallow ground (verses 6, 13) and soil with weeds (verses 7, 14), are individuals who respond to Jesus' message in faith, but trials, temptations, riches and pleasures of life distract and draw them away from being fruitful.

What is faith? It is belief that Jesus is the Son of God, that leads us to trust and obey, and grows stronger over time. It is the ability to overcome any obstacle in order to be faithful to God. In a time like now, where is our faith?

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Sun Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00pm

Prayer List

*Brenda Davis was taken to Riverside Hospital in Columbus on Friday with undiagnosed medical condition.

*Judy Barnhart is struggling right now. Please keep her & Jesse in your prayers.

*Bill Dutton will have surgery to remove a tumor on his pituitary gland on the 29th.

*Cheryl Talkington will have upcoming surgery on an aneurysm.

*Fay Williams will be coming home soon from her daughter's and is good.

*Donnis Trader will have another treatment soon.

*Ruth Eddy is back at the Heritage and has improved slightly.

* Brian Cornell, brother of Bill, was scheduled for prostate cancer surgery on the 15th.

* Gerald Burns will have upcoming tests in March.

Gerald Burns, Melvin & Sue Truax, Betty Wilson, Ruth Eddy, Brenda Davis, Judy & Jesse Barnhart, Bill Dutton, Lorraine Dutton, Fred Arnett, Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Cheryl Talkington, Donnis Trader, Bob Bradford, Evelyn Hall, Betty Bills, Johnny Binegar, Shane Binegar, Colleen Kiester, Madeline McFadden, Jonny Bob Bills, Clint Perkins & Lisa Smith.



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