

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

January 29, 2023

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

Dave Parks

Hal Powell

Melvin Truax

Lew Wilson

Deacons:

Joe Elrod

Brian Mercer

Darren Parks

Clay Perkins

Minister:

Dale Parsley

Youth Minister:

Carlos Molina

The Grace of God Recognized by the Giver By Dan Jenkins

There is an amazing truth found in Paul's second letter to Corinth. The church there was collecting funds for the needy saints in Judea, and Paul writes to them encouraging them to be liberal. We often hear some of his words in our assemblies before the collection is taken. "So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver" ([2 Cor. 9:7](#)) What we may have overlooked is what is said in the next verse. "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound for every good work." Look at the words carefully—all grace, always, all sufficiency, all things, every good work. The proper motivation is not to give in order to get, but Paul affirms that God is able to bless those who do give so that they might have more to give.

Think of Judas and his attitude toward the money entrusted to him by Jesus. He verbalized a concern for the poor when the woman spent so much for the ointment that she used to anoint Jesus. He was a thief and none of the apostles knew it! Now contrast this with the attitude of the woman giving her two mites at the temple. What a contrast between two drastically different hearts.

The reality is that God owns the world, and He does not have to rely on us to support His work. He lets us give so that we can be reminded of the blessings He gives. Now think about it. If the Lord "needed" funds, to whom does He give it so that it might be given back to Him? There is no assurance that He would give it to someone with a covetous heart like Judas. Consider this. If He "needed" funds, He could rest assured that it would be given back to Him if he gave it to person whose heart was like the heart of that widow. The reality is that He is able to always give with all grace to ensure that there is all sufficiency for every good work. Do not lose sight of this truth. God will always help us do His work.

Does He not faithfully supply us with food and clothing? He does for the birds and the lily of the valley. We are worth so much more than the birds and live so much longer than flowers. Now add to this Jesus' affirmation about what God will always supply for His children. "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added to you" ([Matt. 6:33](#)).

Love the Lord. Love the kingdom. Love righteousness. That's our part. Then, as we give back to God that which He first gave to us, think of Paul's words to the Corinthians—all grace, always, all sufficiency and every good work. He will bless us to do His work!

Source: churchofcChristarticles.com

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

Worship Schedule

Jan– Darren Parks Feb– Hal Powell

Jan 29

Morning Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Usher/Monitor: Dave Lancaster

Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker

Communion: Camaron L

Closing Prayer: Dave Parks

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Communion: Camaron L

Closing Prayer: Dave Parks

Wednesday Feb 1

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Karson Elrod

Closing Prayer: Lane Perkins

Feb 5

Morning Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Usher/Monitor: Melvin Truax

Usher/Monitor: Clay Perkins

Communion: Lew Wilson

Closing Prayer: Caleb Parsley

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Communion: Lew Wilson

Closing Prayer: Caleb Parsley

Wednesday Feb 8

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Upcoming Events:

- A teacher is needed for the month of Feb for the pre-school class.
- Traveling youth group will be here this evening for PM worship followed by food in the fellowship room.

YOUTH EVENTS

*Check out the new Dewey Ave Youth Group Facebook page@ <https://www.facebook.com/groups/142546485320>

*CYC Conference Feb 24-26 in Pigeon Forge, TN. Please put the \$35 registration fee in the offering basket if you're going.

*There is a new Lads to Leaders bulletin board in the back of the auditorium.

Monday Night Merge Schedule

- Feb 6th @ North End
- Feb 13th @ Dewey Ave
- Feb 20th @ Lower Paw Paw
- Feb 27th @ Hopewell
- Mar 6th @ Lubeck
- Mar 13th @ Rockport

If you or someone you know would like to receive the bulletin via email, send request to: office@deweyavechurchofchrist.org

Any updates for the bulletin, please contact: Terri Parks (304) 299-1650 or terrinazerod@hotmail.com

PRAYER LIST:

*Condolences to Ruth Ann Keith on the passing of her sister Edith.

*Tom Becker had a heart catheterization and had a follow-up last week.

*Lorraine Dutton had tests on Thursday.

*Dan Kessinger will be leaving for Kenya end of Jan thru Feb 10th. There is a letter with detailed information in foyer if you'd like to help.

*Gala Stewart started a series of shots to relieve pain in her legs.

*Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Mary Hoff, Jane Ann Becker, Larry Truax, Lorraine Dutton, Gerald & Jan Burns, Rodney Ramsey, Betty Wilson, Gail Mote, Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Evelyn Hall, Colleen Kiester, Cecil Cline, Madeline McFadden, Diane Shingler, Preston Lawhon, Lisa Westbrook Smith, and Carolyn Rule.