

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

April 16, 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

His Personal Invitation

by Dan Jenkins

How often have you heard these words of Jesus in Bible classes and sermons? "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" ([Matt. 11:28](#)). They touch our hearts, but they may become even more powerful when we look at the words preceding His invitation.

Before giving His invitation, He spoke to the Father. "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent." The things He mentioned were the eternal truths He came to reveal. They were hidden from those described as wise and prudent. The wise and the prudent would be the ones you might expect to be given such vital truths, yet Jesus thanked God that it had not been given to those respected by society as being above all others. It may at first seem strange, but if Jesus was thankful for this, shouldn't we also be thankful?

Jesus continued His thought when He said the Father had "...revealed them to babes." Obviously, the babes are not infants, but those individuals to whom it was revealed were so different from the wise and prudent. Paul describes this truth in this way. "For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many noble, are called" ([1 Cor. 1:26](#)). There was no way to comprehend those prophecies about how God would come in the flesh and the Creator of the universe would suffer crucifixion. When He actually came there was no human wisdom, even among the wise and prudent, that could comprehend it.

Jesus said even more about this before giving His great invitation. "No one knows the Father...except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him" ([Matt. 11:27](#)). To whom does Jesus reveal the Father? He has been revealed Him to "babes" who by human standards are so far removed from being wise and prudent. Jeremiah described those who would be the recipients of the New Covenant. "For they shall all know Me, from the least to the greatest" ([Jer. 31:34](#)).

We must never forget that as we respond to His great invitation we come to know God. It is that revelation from God that enables us to so easily understand the crucified Creator! That which the world by its wisdom will never comprehend is the very basis of how we come to the Savior and know Him!

Christendom often asks, "Do you know the Lord as your personal Savior." Is there any way we can know that we really know God? Here is God's answer to that question. "By this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments" ([1 John 2:4](#)). Coming to Him involves knowing His will and doing what He says. "Babes" fully understand this.

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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

Apr– Clay Perkins

May– Richard Lee Davis

April 16

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Usher/Monitor: Jesse Barnhart

Usher/Monitor: Melvin Truax

Communion: Dave Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Communion: Dave Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Wednesday April 19

Announce/Prayer: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Closing Prayer: Don Collins

April 23

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Parks

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Usher/Monitor: Richard Lee Davis

Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns

Communion: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Lew Wilson

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Parks

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Communion: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Lew Wilson

Wednesday April 26

Announce/Prayer: Dave Parks

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Noah Mote

Upcoming Events

Senior Saints Day will be April 30th in the fellowship room after AM service. Sign-up sheet is on the table under the Lads to Leaders.

News

The elders have decided to send \$5,000 to Churches of Christ Disaster Relief to help with the recent weather disasters

YOUTH EVENTS

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

*Lads to Leaders classes will be held on Sundays from 3:30-5pm. Practice will be every Sunday 3:30-5pm except for May 14th.

*Lads to Leaders Class

Schedule

April 16– Puppets, Mass Communication

April 23– Puppets, Song Leading

April 30– Good Samaritan (senior dinner) puppets– perform for senior dinner

May 7– Teach to Teach, Good Samaritan (flower beds) , puppets

May 21– Speech, Song Leading, Puppets

May 26– L2L conference

PRAYER LIST:

*Bill and Lorraine Dutton are at home and doing much better.

*Larry Barnhart has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and decided against treatments. His address is in the foyer.

*Jane Ann Becker got news following her recent chemo treatment.

*Tom Becker got good news on his heart check-up.

*John Rockhold is in Emcompass for rehabilitation following a stay in the hospital.

Don Archer, Colleen Kiester Family, Gala Stewart, Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Betty Timmons, Jay Mote, Baby Lancaster, Zack Lamp, Jane Ann Becker, Tom Becker, Tina Keith, Larry Truax, Lorraine Dutton, Gerald & Jan Burns, Rodney Ramsey, Betty Wilson, Gail Mote, Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Evelyn Hall, Cecil Cline, Madeline McFadden, Diane Shingler, Lisa Westbrook Smith, and Carolyn Rule.

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