# Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

April 2, 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

#### <u>Deacons</u>:

Joe Elrod

**Brian Mercer** 

Darren Parks

Clay Perkins

Minister:

Dale Parsley

Youth Minister:

Carlos Molina

#### THE UNITY OF SCRIPTURE:

The Bible is a collection of 66 books, 39 in the Old Testament, 27 in the New Testament. It is a book that is very diverse yet united. Erwin Lutzer wrote, the Bible "evolved over a period of fifteen centuries, written in three different languages. During this period emotions rose and fell and cultures came and went, but this did not affect the unity of the Bible. The intricacy of its message and history simply could not have been orchestrated by a man or a group of men.

It was written by forty different human authors. These came from a variety of occupations: kings, fisherman, tax collectors, shepherds, prophets, and even a physician.

In all it would be difficult to find a more diverse collection of writers. They run the gamut from Moses, who was highly educated, to Peter, who was a fisherman. Though they wrote at different periods of world history, their writings dovetail with one another; not superficially, but intricately and brilliantly.

The books were penned under different circumstances and in different countries and cultures, such as in Asia, Africa, and Europe. Paul wrote from a dungeon in Rome, James wrote from Jerusalem, Moses from the Sinai, and Daniel from Babylon.

The Bible discusses diverse theological matters, such as the nature of God and His purposes, the characteristics of both good and evil angels, and the nature of man and God's plan of redemption. It would be difficult enough to get these men to agree on so much as one single theological issue, much less forty men agreeing on matters about which others can only speculate." (45-46)

In spite of all its diversity, the overall message or theme is still the same: God saving man through His Son Jesus Christ. Every book in the Bible either directly or indirectly points to this theme. In Genesis 1-3, life is a paradise in the Garden of Eden. But when the Tempter approached Eve, all that changed. Sin entered into the world and death has spread to all men because all have sinned (Romans 5:12). The Garden of Eden was lost, man was separated from God because of sin, but God promised in Genesis 3:15, that through the offspring of Eve, one would come and defeat the Devil.

Years later in the Garden of Gethsemane, the Son of God prayed until the moment His enemies came to crucify Him at Golgotha. He fulfilled the promise given to Eve, and Abraham (Galatians 3:12-18). As a result, the last book of Scripture reveals the place of paradise once again with the Tree of life in its midst, in the presence of God once more (Revelation 22 -23).

The Bible, sixty-six books yet one. Penned by men but a message from God.

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16).

-Dale Parsley

#### References:

Erwin Lutzer, Seven Reason Why YOU CAN TRUST THE BIBLE, Moody Press, 1998

#### 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

#### Worship Schedule

Apr— Clay Perkins

May— Richard Lee Davis

#### April 2

#### Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster
Song Leader: Caleb Parsley
Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns
Usher/Monitor: Hal Powell
Communion: Camaron Lancaster
Closing Prayer: Brian Mercer

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster Song Leader: Caleb Parsley Communion: Camaron Lancaster Closing Prayer: Brian Mercer

Wednesday April 5

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster Song Leader: Caleb Parsley Closing Prayer: Karson Elrod

#### April 9

#### Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Connor Lancaster

Song Leader: Jodi Mote
Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker
Usher/Monitor: Don Archer
Communion: Lew Wilson
Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Connor L Song Leader: Jodi Mote Communion: Lew Wilson Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod Wednesday April 12

Announce/Prayer: Connor L Song Leader: Jodi Mote Closing Prayer: Lane Perkins

#### **Upcoming Events**

Senior Saints Day will be April 30th in the fellowship room.

#### **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 April 9, and 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 Dutton made it home and is doing better.

\*Lorraine Dutton is home recovering from her defibrillator surgery and is feeling better.

\*Don Archer is recovering at home following back surgery.

\*Pat Bills 3 yr old relative, Phoebe suffered burns and was taken to Akron Childrens Hospital.

\*Pat Nichols sister Betty Metheney, passed away and her funeral was Friday.

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

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\*Colleen Kiester Family, Bob Bradford Family, Gala Stewart, Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Betty Timmons, Jay Mote, Baby Lancaster, Zack Lamp, Mary Hoff, Tina Keith, Jane Ann Becker, Tom Becker, 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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