

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

April 23, 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

Seeing the Big Picture of Scripture

Without the picture on the box, putting a puzzle together is a lot more difficult. The same could be said when we fail to see the overall message of the Bible. The theme of the Bible is God saving man through His Son Jesus Christ, which brings glory to God. Another way to put it is the overall picture of Scripture is about 3 gardens and 3 trees.

The 1st is the Garden of Eden and Tree of Life (Genesis 1-3). God gave Adam and Eve the freedom of choice. Both Adam and Eve chose to eat of the forbidden fruit (Genesis 2:17). It is here that sin enters into the world which deserves punishment and separates one from God (Romans 5:12; Isaiah 59:1-2). God made a promise in Genesis 3:15 in speaking to the devil, "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." The way to kill a snake is to crush its head. The devil in this context appeared in the form of a serpent. In other words, through the offspring of Eve, one would come and defeat him. God kept His promise and continued to develop His overall plan to save man through the offspring of Eve when He appeared to Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3), then Isaac (Genesis 26:4) and Jacob or Israel (Genesis 28:14). From their offspring, all of the nations of the earth would be blessed. This promise is specifically speaking of an individual. God did not say "'And to your offspring's,' referring to many, but referring to one, 'And to your offspring,' who is Christ." (Galatians 3:16)

The 1st 6 books of the Bible are about the development of a nation from these men, in particular, Israel. In order to have a nation, you must have a people, law and land. Genesis 12-Exodus 19 is the people. Exodus 20-Deuteronomy is the law; and the book of Joshua is about them settling into the Promised Land. The rest of the Old Testament is primarily an inspired, historical record of this nation.

The 2nd is the Garden of Gethsemane and Tree or the Cross. When the time was right, God sent the promised descendant from Abraham and David (Matthew 1:1), to redeem us from our sins (Galatians 4:4; 1 Peter 1:18-19); and His resurrection from the dead gives us victory over sin and death (1 Corinthians 15:57). This good news was told in Acts 2 and served as keys for entering into God's new nation/kingdom/church (Matthew 16:13-19; Acts 2:47; 1 Peter 2:9). The books of the New Testament are about the life of Jesus, and how to live as citizens of His Kingdom.

The 3rd is the Garden of God (Heaven) and there in its midst is the tree of life (Revelation 22:1-2); where the day will come when Jesus will return to call the citizens of His Kingdom home (John 5:28-29).

Paradise lost, paradise restored; that is the theme of the Bible.

-Dale Parsley

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 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

April 30

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker

Usher/Monitor: Hal Powell

Communion: Darren Parks

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Communion: Darren Parks

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Wednesday May 3

Announce/Prayer: Dave Parks

Song Leader: Connor Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Karson Elrod

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 table.

Summer Series

Study from Psalms

June 14 Rick Tincher

June 21 Todd Bradford

June 28 Terry Jones

July 5 Kyle Lancaster

July 12 Jordan Smith

July 19 Greg Yost

July 26 Terry Townsend

*Lads to Leaders Class

Schedule

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:

*Please keep the Mumaw family and the others families involved in the tragic auto accident from last week.

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

*Tom Becker will be taking new medication for his heart.

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

*Linda Turner from Newport has been diagnosed with Stage 2 pancreatic cancer.

*Noah Molina will be having an upcoming procedure on his esophagus.

*Carolyn Rule received a good report on her cancer.

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, Bill & 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.

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 terrinerod@hotmail.com