

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

October 8, 2023

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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

Dealing with Bad Choices

By Dan Jenkins

Far too many Christians carry far too much guilt about their past lives and choices they made which now impact the struggles in their daily lives. They look at the godly lives of other Christians and become discouraged almost to the point of just giving up. If this describes you now or in the past, consider the life of Lot, the nephew of Abraham.

We know little of the early life of Lot. He was the son of Haran, Abraham's brother. The first mention of Lot is in the exodus from Ur. As they entered Canaan, Lot was with Abraham in his journey and even accompanied his uncle when he went into Egypt ([Gen. 13:1](#)).

God blessed both Abraham and Lot abundantly, and their flock and herds became so great that this forced the separation of Lot from Abraham. Abraham gave Lot the choice, and Lot saw the plains of Jordan, which the Bible describes as being "well watered everywhere like the garden of the Lord" ([Gen. 13:10](#)). The selfish decision he made impacted the rest of his life. In the plains of Jordan was the city of Sodom. Lot not only moved toward that city, he moved into that city ([Gen. 13:12](#); [14:12](#)). One cannot but wonder how afterwards Lot may have grieved over his decision.

Stop for a moment to consider how many of us may make wrong decisions which often lead us down the wrong paths. It is the guilt of having made such wrong choices that become part of the burden of our guilt. Lot is not the only one whose decisions impact the rest of their lives.

Lot was like Abraham in that he entertained angels not even knowing they were angels. You know the story of how Lot foolishly offered his daughters to the men of Sodom—wonder if he later regretted this. The angel forced Lot and his family to leave Sodom and soon Lot lost all his possessions, his wealth, his home and his wife to the fire of God's judgment. Then add the sinful actions of this man in his incestuous relationship with his daughters.

Before becoming too judgmental of Lot, look at how God saw him. Peter said that God "... delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that righteous man, dwelling among them tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)" ([2 Pet. 2:7-8](#)). We focus on his mistakes (and often we focus on ours), but God saw his righteous tormented soul.

Do not misunderstand what I am saying. Grace is ours, but we cannot continue in sin expecting grace ([Rom. 6:1](#)). Do not let your past mistakes overwhelm you. Live right, do right, die right! You will never regret it!

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

Oct– Hal Powell

Nov– Lew Wilson

Oct 8

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Usher/Monitor: Melvin Truax

Usher/Monitor: Clay Perkins

Communion: Connor Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Darren Parks

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Communion: Connor Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Darren Parks

Wednesday Oct 11th

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Closing Prayer: Noah Molina

Door Greeters: Kirk Timmons, Ruth Ann Keith

Oct 15

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Camaron L

Song Leader: Clay Perkins

Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker

Usher/Monitor: Hal Powell

Communion: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Carlos Molina

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L

Song Leader: Clay Perkins

Communion: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Carlos Molina

Wednesday Oct 18

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L

Song Leader: Clay Perkins

Closing Prayer: Caleb Parsley

Door Greeters: Noah Molina, Don Collins

Upcoming Events

*Sign-ups for teachers is in the foyer. We will return to quarters starting in October.

*WVCYC Fall Camp : October 21, 10am-8pm (11yrs and up)

*On October 28th, the church contribution will go to Potter Children's Home.

*Oct 29th will be Friends and Family Day here at Dewey. After AM service, there will be a meal in the fellowship room followed by PM Worship at approx. 1pm.

*Thank you to all who helped with feeding the SMHS football team on Thursday.

PRAYER LIST:

*Rodney Ramsey was able to come home from the hospital after they took too much fluid off his lungs.

*Sandy Mote is in rehab recovering from surgery.

*Bill Dutton will be going to the doctor in Pittsburgh on Nov 8.

Don Collins, James Bennett, Evelyn Hall, Gala Stewart, Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Betty Timmons, Kathy Lancaster, Jane Ann Becker, Jeremy Rhodes, Dave St. Peter, Lorraine Dutton, Gerald & Jan Burns, Rodney Ramsey, Betty Wilson, Gail Mote, Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Cecil Cline, Madeline McFadden, Larry Truax, and Carolyn Rule.

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