

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

December 1, 2024

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

Hal Powell

Lew Wilson

Deacons:

Joe Elrod

Brian Mercer

Darren Parks

Clay Perkins

Minister:

Dale Parsley

Youth Minister:

Carlos Molina

Calamity Cain

In 1852, Martha Jane Cannary, a.k.a., Calamity Jane, was born. When she was 14 years of age her mother died, and then just one year later her father passed away. Following his death, Calamity Jane found work as a scout at Fort Russell. She was well known for being a good shot and an outdoors adventurer. There are many speculations on how she got her nickname, none of which can be factually verified. However, one thing is certain: Calamity seemed to strike this western frontierswoman everywhere she went.

There is another famous individual that was known for his travels, as well as the calamity that followed him, albeit by his own volition. His name was Cain. He was the first child ever born. He undoubtedly grew up hearing his parents talk about the good old days in the Garden of Eden and how their disobedience to God resulted in their expulsion from that beautiful place (I would like to think that they instructed him in the ways of the Lord and admonished him not to make the same mistakes they had). He became a farmer, and his brother Abel labored as a shepherd (Gen 4:2). He and his brother were also worshipers of God, but unfortunately Cain's worship was, unlike his brother's, unacceptable (Gen. 4:3-5). Why? According to Sacred Scripture, Abel's worship was done "by faith" (Heb. 11:4). And since faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God (Rom. 10:17), we can logically conclude that Cain's worship was not offered according to God's will. Soon thereafter, Cain went out and killed his brother (Gen 4:8-19). For his crime, God cursed Cain and drove him out from among His presence, as well as the presence of his family. He would forever reap what he had sown (Gen. 4:11-15; cf. Gal. 6:7-8).

Calamity Jane and Cain, while living centuries apart, had one thing in common: death and destruction seemed to follow them. Cain's calamity, however, was self-inflicted! The Bible states, "Woe to them! For they have gone the way of Cain..." (Jude 11). May we restrain ourselves from following the ways of Cain. May we be obedient to God by worshiping Him in "spirit and in truth" (John 4:24) and by "loving one another with a pure heart fervently" (1 Peter 1:22). If we live our lives according to God's will, calamity will evade us at journey's end (2 Cor. 5:9-10).

Terry R. Townsend, bulletin digest

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

Dec— Clay Perkins

Jan— Darren Parks

December 1

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Camaron L

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Usher/Monitor: Don Archer

Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker

Communion: Hal Powell

Closing Prayer: Brian Mercer

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Communion: Hal Powell

Closing Prayer: Brian Mercer

Wednesday Dec 4

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L

Song Leader: Caleb Parlsey

Closing Prayer: Lane Perkins

December 8

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Usher/Monitor: Lew Wilson

Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns

Communion: Dave Parks

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Communion: Dave Parks

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Wednesday Dec 11

Announce/Prayer: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Closing Prayer: Noah Molina

Upcoming Events

*Dec 6 Ladies Holiday Outing. Dinner @ Mary B's @5:30pm followed by Blennerhassett Hotel Christmas Display & Christmas Concert at the Smoot.

*Dec 9 Elders Meeting 6pm

*Dec 15 Birthday/Anniv Celebration
This will be a Church-Eat Church

Youth Events

*Today after AM Service, teens will assemble baskets for the shut-ins & elderly in the fellowship room & deliver the baskets afterwards. Lunch will be provided for those teens volunteering.

*Dec 8 Youth Christmas Gathering @5:45pm in fellowship room. Bring a gift of \$15 or less for exchange.

*Starting in January, the young men who would like to participate will have the opportunity to read scripture before each lesson. Please let the elders know if you're child would like to read.

*Dec 29th MOVTYG @ Barlow-Vincent

Birthdays/Anniversaries this week

Dec 3— Fay Williams

Dec 3— Bill Dutton

Dec 7— Andrew Wriston

PRAYER LIST

*Our condolences go out to the Tom Butterfield Family on his passing yesterday.

*Stephanie Franzen got a great report and is now cancer free and doesn't need any other treatments!

*Robin Kessinger had a heart procedure and is back home.

*Jesse Barnhart is scheduled for surgery on Dec 6.

Shay Jones Family, Ginger Poling Family, Carlos Molina, James Bennett, Jesse Barnhart surgery 12-6, Evelyn Hall Family, Karson Elrod, Delores Butcher, Jim Grove, Fay Williams, Judy Lough, Jim McFarland, Becky Hinton, Pat Hays, Shirley Hearn, Marlin Runnion, Gerald & Janice Burns, Joyce Barnhart, Betty Timmons, Shirley Grubbs, Charles Grubbs, Jane Ann Becker, Jeremy Rhodes, Bill & Lorraine Dutton, Gail & Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Cecil Cline, Destiny Gray, Zack Lamp, Larry Truax, Carolyn Rule & Lisa Westbrook Smith..

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