

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

June 28, 2026

701 Dewey Avenue
St. Marys, WV 26170

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

Darren Parks

Deacons:

Joe Elrod

Camaron

Lancaster

Brian Mercer

Jodi Mote

Clay Perkins

Clint Perkins

Minister:

Dale Parsley

Youth Minister:

Carlos Molina

Blessed Blessings

Dan Jenkins

Sometimes the best way to define a word is to look at the word which stands in opposition to it. We use the words “blessed” or “blessing” so often and in so many ways that we lose track of their exact meaning. Take a moment and look at the words that are the opposite words—cursed and cursing.

Think of the emphasis the Bible gives to those who fail to find His favor and blessings and come under judgment. “The Lord is angry with the wicked every day” ([Psa. 7:11](#)). “Even his prayer is an abomination” ([Prov. 28:9](#)). “It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God” ([Heb. 10:31](#)). “A certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries” ([Heb. 10:27](#)). This is the opposite of being blessed by God and finding favor in His sight. A simple definition of the word “blessed” is that it means “happy.” But, that word is too “simple” to see how magnificently blessed it is when we find His blessed favor.

The words of the song, “Blessed Assurance,” were first published 150 years ago. The fact that is so often sung today is evidence of how so many have rejoiced in the fact that we live under His favor and find great hope in Him. It was written by Fanny J. Crosby, who was blind from six weeks old. Mrs. Crosby wrote at least 4,000 hymns, possibly 8,000.

The first stanza of “Blessed Assurance” describes how wonderful it is to be His child. “Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!” It then looks at specific ways we are blessed—“heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.” Read these phrases again and think soberly about how they express the blessing of having His favor.

The second stanza speaks of the perfect delight which we have when we submit to Him and His control of our lives. It looks upward to see the rapturous blessings of vision depicted as angels descending from heaven to bring them. Two specific blessings are mentioned— “echoes of mercy” and “whispers of love.”

The third stanza turns our hearts to the peace we have. “Perfect submission, all is at rest.” In Christ, we are “happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.”

Is there any wonder why the chorus speaks of this blessed assurance being our story and our song? We are “praising my Savior all the day long.”

There is so much depth in the meaning of songs which for centuries have stirred the hearts of others. They have become part of the “psalms, hymns and spiritual songs” today. Think of the words of these songs, and let them lift you upward toward heaven.

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: www.gbntv.org & Youtube

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

June— Connor Lancaster

July— Lew Wilson

June 28

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Jodi Mote

Usher/Monitor: Richard Lee Davis

Usher/Monitor: Ethan Davis

Reading: Jaxon Elrod

Communion: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Noah Mote

Evening Worship: PM Sing

Announce/Pray: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Jodi Mote

Communion: Brian Mercer

Closing Prayer: Noah Mote

Wednesday July 1

Announce/Pray: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Jodi Mote

Closing Prayer: Connor L

July 5

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Usher/Monitor: Hal Powell

Usher/Monitor: Melvin Truax

Reading: Noah Mote

Communion: Clay Perkins

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Evening Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Communion: Clay Perkins

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Wednesday July 8

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Clint Perkins

Closing Prayer: Lane Perkins

Upcoming Events

*Everyone is invited July 1st to Fireworks @ Perkins property on Tower Rd. after Wed Bible Class. Please RSVP to Rhonda and bring a lawn chair.

*PM Sing Tonight

Elders/Deacons Meeting July 5th after PM service

*July 19th Birthday/Anniv celebration after PM for June & July

Youth Events

The Elders have decided to help fund kids who attend Dewey Ave who want to attend a week of Church camp at either OVCYC or WVCYC. The Church will cover \$100 per camper for one week of camp.

June 28— OVCYC Junior Week

June 28— WVCYC Senior Week

July 5— WVCYC Intermediate

July 12— WVCYC Junior Week

July 19— WVCYC All Ages

July 26— WVCYC Sing Week

July 26— MOVTYG @ Barlow Vicent

Upcoming Birthdays/Annivers

June 28— Casey Burns

June 29— Gerald & Janice Burns M/M

June 30— Carson Parsley

July 5— Emily Lancaster

July 6— Ed Wilson

July 7— Brad & Pam Butcher M/M

July 8— Melvin & Sue Truax M/M

July 8— Joe & Miranda Elrod M/M

July 9— Carlos Molina

July 10— Victoria Booth

July 10— Clay & Rhonda Perkins M/M

PRAYER LIST

*Betty Timmons is in the hospital battling several health complications. Please keep her in your prayers.

*Pat Nichols is home recovering from recent surgery but is still in pain.

*Delores Butcher has an upcoming doctor's appointment on July 1st.

*Larry Butcher's heart is in AFIB. Please pray it will go back in rhythm naturally.

*Angie Parsley has upcoming tests July 8-10th.

*Emily Shaw got a new smaller cast on her broken leg and will follow up with the doctor next week.

Fay Williams, Stephanie Franzen, Ruth Ann Keith, Randy McCoy, Shirley Hearn, Cindy Nichols, John Hinton, Jane Ann Becker, Gerald & Janice Burns, Betty Timmons, Shirley Grubbs, Bill & Lorraine Dutton, & John Rockhold.

Summer Series—The Book of Ephesians IN CHRIST

July 1— Greg Yost - New Person in Him

July 8— John Board- Imitating Him

July 15— Kyle Lancaster- Walking in Him

July 22— Andy Robison- The Family By Him

July 29— Dan Kessinger-Soldiers For Him

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