

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

July 19, 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

Is It God's Will for You to Be Baptized?

by Dan Jenkins

The expression "for the remission of sins" was included with the saving blood of Jesus in the upper room. As He took the cup, He said, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." There would be no salvation for any individual if there was not the shedding of His blood. No one can misunderstand the meaning of the expression "for the remission of sins."

If this expression indicates an action by Jesus to bring about salvation, consider the baptism of John the Baptist. He was a messenger sent by God to prepare the world for the coming of Jesus. He introduced an action not found in the Old Testament. He immersed people in water. His impact was so immense. "Then Jerusalem, all Judea, and all the region around the Jordan went out to him and were baptized by him in the Jordan, confessing their sins" ([Matt. 3:5-6](#)). Not everyone was baptized by John, for the next verse shows that the leaders of the Pharisees and Sadducees came to see what was happening and turned away when John rebuked them. If you know anything about these leaders, you know there was no way they would confess their sins and be baptized. Why did John baptize people? What was the purpose of John's baptism? God reveals to us the purpose of this baptism. "John came in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins" ([Mark 1:4](#)). Jesus shed His blood in order to bring about the "remission of sins" and John was baptizing the multitudes in order to bring about the "remission of sins." It is described as a baptism of repentance because John not only taught that those with sins had to be baptized, but he also taught the necessity of repentance ([Matt. 3:2](#)). Those who repented were then baptized, but those leaders refused to repent.

How serious was it to reject the baptism of John in order to bring about salvation? Let God give us the answer. "And when all the people heard him, even the tax collectors justified God, having been baptized with the baptism of John. But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the will of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him" ([Luke 7:29-30](#)). The teaching of baptism for the remission of sins was a message sent to John from heaven (cf. [Matt. 21:25](#)). To reject it was to reject the will of God. To refuse baptism was to leave with the burden and consequences of sin still upon them.

Why did John refuse to baptize Jesus? It was because both John and Jesus knew the purpose of baptism. John was the sinner, but Jesus had no sins.

Read [Acts 2:38](#). How serious would it be if you refuse to repent and be baptized for the remission of your sins?

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

July— Lew Wilson

Aug— Clay Perkins

July 19

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Jodi Mote

Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns

Usher/Monitor: Jesse Barnhart

Reading: Jaxon Elrod

Communion: Carlos Molina

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Evening Worship:

Announce/Pray: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Jodi Mote

Communion: Carlos Molina

Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Wednesday July 22

Announce/Pray: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Jodi Mote

Closing Prayer: Karson Elrod

July 26

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Usher/Monitor: Richard Davis

Usher/Monitor: Richard Lee Davis

Reading: Desmond Parks

Communion: Clint Perkins

Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Evening Worship:

Announce/Pray: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Communion: Clint Perkins

Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Wednesday July 29

Announce/Pray: Darren Parks

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Closing Prayer: Mark Fisher

Upcoming Events

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

*August 8 Fall Clothing Giveaway

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.

July 19— WVCYC All Ages

July 26— WVCYC Sing Week

July 26— MOVTYG @ Barlow Vicent

Upcoming Birthdays/Annivers

July 21— Judy Lough

July 22— Ruth Ann Keith

July 23— Mason Elrod

July 28— Hannah Parsley

July 29— Glenn & Gala Stewart M/M

PRAYER LIST

*Betty Timmons is at Cedar Grove Assisted Living battling B Cell lymphoma. Please keep her in your prayers.

*Delores Butcher has more testing coming soon.

*Larry Butcher had a cardioversion last Monday to get his heart back in rhythm.

*Angie Parsley had tests last week and will have more tests in near future.

*Keep Ruth Ann Keith in your prayers as she is battling health issues.

*Ashton Lancaster was taken to the hospital on Friday. Please keep her in your prayers at this time.

Pat Nichols, Larry Butcher, Emily Shaw, 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 22— Andy Robison- The Family By Him

July 29— Dan Kessinger-Soldiers For Him

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