

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

July 26, 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

Uniformity or Diversity

By Dan Jenkins

The world has changed so drastically from what it was just a short time ago. Morality has been redefined. Marriage has been redefined. Righteousness has been redefined. Realistically, we are not as concerned about godliness as we once were.

We have become a society characterized by being a “non-judgmental” pluralistic one, where each person uses his own judgment and his own definition about right and wrong. Our tolerant attitude seems to delight that such diversity is the norm.

Jesus established the church to bring unity of mankind together in His body, the church. The first century world had many gods and each of them allowed whatever actions their gods approved. Wrath, anger and injustice was part of paganism. Christ built the church to enable men to change and to be part of God’s eternal plan to bring all men together in the one body.

Both paganism and Judaism were splintered by thinking its world view was the right one. “Every man did that which was right in his own eyes” ([Prov. 17:6](#)). Christianity was designed to bring uniformity, not diversity. Paul gives the Ephesians the basis of the unity and the bond of peace that Christ could bring about by giving seven “ones” of unity ([Eph. 4:4-6](#)).

“**There is one body...**” ([v. 4](#)). That one body is the church ([Eph. 1:22-23](#)), and every person becomes part of it by giving up every wrong concept they once embraced. It was not divided into denominations, all wore the same religious name ([1 Cor. 1:10-13](#)), and all spoke the same truth.

“**There is...one Spirit**” ([v. 4](#)). In the absence of the written Bible, the Holy Spirit of God gave the same message to every church in the same words. They followed the words of the Spirit. Unity comes about when we use the words given by the Spirit to discover and define truth.

“**There is...one hope**” ([v. 4](#)). The common goal of getting each other to heaven regardless of the cost brought about a common unity, not diversity.

“**There is...one Lord**” ([v. 5](#)). Here is the key to religious unity. Jesus was the one Lord of every member, and they united together listening, not to their own hearts, but to the one Lord.

“**There is...one faith**” ([v. 5](#)). True faith comes only from the one Book, and unity is found when we build our faith on what He says. He alone defines the one faith.

“**There is...one baptism**” ([v. 5](#)). Every person was immersed in water for the same reason. It was the final step into the relationship with the one Lord.

“**There is...one God**” ([v. 6](#)). Unity is His plan, but it will come about only when we truly make Jehovah our God! Source: [pblcoc.org](#)

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

A friendly reminder to silence your cellphone to not disrupt worship! Visit us at [www.deweyavenuechurchofchrist.org](#) & [www.facebook.com/deweyavenue](#)

Worship Schedule

July— Lew Wilson

Aug— Clay Perkins

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

Aug 2

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray:

Song Leader:

Usher/Monitor:

Usher/Monitor:

Reading:

Communion:

Closing Prayer:

Evening Worship:

Announce/Pray:

Song Leader:

Communion:

Closing Prayer:

Wednesday Aug 5

Announce/Pray:

Song Leader:

Closing Prayer:

Upcoming Events

*August 8 Fall Clothing Giveaway.

We can use some more clothes if you have any in good condition to donate.

*August 14th Baseball Game in Charleston. First Pitch 6:35pm. Fireworks after the game. Approx cost \$8 per ticket. Sign up sheet in back of auditorium. See Clint for Q's.

Donation

*The elders have decided to donate \$500 each to Michael Jones and Peter Ray Cole as they travel to Africa for the Kenya School of Preaching.

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 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

Aug 2— Angelus Palata

Aug 4— Jacki Looney

Aug 5— Addison Parks

Aug 8— Mandy Mote

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.

*Angie Parsley will have more tests in the near future.

*Keep Ruth Ann Keith in your prayers as she was in Camden Clark as of Wed evening battling health issues. She also had a small house fire while in the hospital.

*Dan Kessinger's brother Robin is having heart issues while traveling and was lifted to Salt Lake City yesterday.

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 29— Dan Kessinger-Soldiers For Him

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If you would like to be added to the One Call list for phone updates, please contact Camaron Lancaster.