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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Way” TV broadcast

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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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*For behold,
I create new heavens
and a new earth. And
the former things shall
not be remembered,
nor come into mind*



Isaiah 65:17

We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series “Acts Of The Apostles”
by Pharr, the “Studies In The Bible” 30 lesson series, and the
20 lesson series “Getting To Know Jesus” by Pharr. Let everyone know!

Looking for New Heavens and a New Earth

"Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness" (2 Peter 3:13). As Christians we look forward to a new habitation of righteousness that will come after this life (Revelation 21:1-27). The prophet Isaiah spoke about "new heavens and a new earth" in forecasting the glorious spiritual order that would come when Jesus, the Messiah, would—in the fullness of time—set up the kingdom of heaven on earth (Isaiah 65:17-25; 66:22-24; cf. Ephesians 1:10). But what Peter was mentioning in his second epistle, was not another order in the physical world, but the spiritual habitation of heaven where the righteous will live forever.

Unlike passages in the prophets that were full of figurative imagery, the third chapter of Peter's second epistle is a literal, straightforward message about how the physical creation will come to an end. Just as the physical world was inundated with water in the judgment of Noah's day (2 Peter 3:6), the physical world now awaits the day when it will be burned up, "But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men" (2 Peter 3:7). "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up" (2 Peter 3:10). All the physical world will be "dissolved" (2 Peter 3:11); thus, we should place our affections on the spiritual realities of heaven (Colossians 3:2; 2 Corinthians 4:18; Matthew 6:19-21).

John says those who love this world, the order which is against God, will perish just as this physical world will pass away, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever" (1 John 2:15-17). Jesus mentioned the passing away of heaven and earth (Matthew 24:35), and told us to be ready at all times for it (Matthew 24:36-25:46).

The new heavens and new earth will not be a realm in which we have physical bodies. Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God (1 Corinthians 15:50). When Christ comes and raises all from the dead, we will be raised with spiritual bodies, glorious bodies like Christ's (John 5:28-29; 1 Corinthians 15:44; Philippians 3:20-21).

While there are many questions we may have about what exactly the new heavens and earth will be like, the most important focus is to be ready for it. That's Peter's point. The expiration date of this world and the eternal glories of the world to come ought to motivate us to live for the Lord. "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?" (2 Peter 3:11-12). Are you basing your life on the world around that can be seen but will perish, or are you exercising faith in the unseen spiritual realities that will abide forever?

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

AM- "*Be Angry and Sin Not*"
PM- guest speaker: Barry Kelley from
the Greasy Ridge Church of Christ

5th Sunday Preachers Q&A

Submit your Bible Questions to either preacher or put them in the wooden box at the sound booth for the 5th Sunday 'Preachers Answer Your Bible Questions' during the 29th evening service.

Lawn Maintenance Schedule

The schedule is published and copies are on the foyer table. The team this week to complete their work by Oct. 21st is Steve Wallace, Jeremiah Smith, Chris Scott, Will Scott and Ben Poling.

Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet

This group will meet today in the annex large classroom at 4:30pm.

2017 Dates to Remember

- Oct 15- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p
- Oct 17- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Oct 18- Ladies Day welcome committee meets
after Bible Study- annex large classroom
- Oct 21- L. D. welcome group & volunteers to
assemble welcome bags- 9am- library
- Oct 24- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Oct 27- Ladies Luncheon-12:30p- Gerber's in
Greenup
- Oct 28- Rolling Hills Ladies Day- speaker:
Becky Blackmon- 8:30a- lunch
- Oct 28- Trunk O Treats & Chili supper- 7p
- Oct 29- 5th Sunday Preachers Answer Your
Bible Questions- PM service
- Oct 31- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Nov 4- Ladies Day with Sheila Butt- 8:30a
- Nov 5- Bring A Friend Day & Potluck
- Nov 7- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Nov 14- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Nov 19- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p
- Nov 21- Prime-timers- 10a- annex
- Nov 28- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Trunk O'Treats- Potluck Chili

On Saturday, Oct. 28th, you are invited to park your decorated car in the annex parking lot and give treats, starting at 7pm, to all the children. Bring Your children in costume to go from car to car getting candy. Rain moves it inside the annex. Also, bring your favorite chili recipe, sides and/or desserts and drinks to share for the potluck afterward

Our Ladies Day in November

Ladies, now is the time to invite your friends to our Ladies Day on November 4th. The guest speaker will be Sheila Butt, a Christian author, accomplished speaker and state representative from Tenn. The theme is 'Recipes For Life.' There are smaller invitations on the foyer round table and a RSVP sign-up sheet on the foyer board. Please, ladies, if you will be here that day sign up for planning purposes. Thank you.

Appreciation

Thanks to all who helped with food or serving at the Adkins family bereavement meal. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

Gauging Our Faith

	10/08/17	Goal	10/09/16
Bible Study	93	110	132
AM Worship	144	160	168
PM Worship	74	110	128
Mid Week	88	110	113
Contribution:	\$5036.00	\$5600.00	\$5662.75

Have you contacted
a shut-in lately?
Why not today?



☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: David Trimble

PM: Nathan Parks

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Greg Conley

Assisting: J.C. Hughes,
Jordan Conley, Mark Parks,
Nathan Adkins, Michael Perry,
Will Scott, Mark Gullett

Presiding PM: Jordan Conley

Assisting: Will Scott

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Daniel Goshorn

PM: Denny Deskins

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Steve Wallace

PRAYER: Edgar Phillips

DEVOTIONAL: Brad Morris

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Jerry Sturgill

ATTENDANCE: David Castle

COORDINATOR: Jerry Sturgill

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★ Every Sunday ★★

Pew Packers

at 5:45pm

in front of the auditorium

**-geared to age 12 & under,
but everyone is welcomed.**

Boys: have a song ready to lead

★★ Oct. 28 ★★

Trunk O'Treats

**-wear your costume & collect
treats!!!- annex parking lot- 7pm-
Potluck Chili supper afterward**



Welcome, Visitor!

**We are so pleased to have you
as our guest today.**

If you are a **first-time visitor** with us,
please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you find
on the back of the pew. Please, put it in the
collection plate or hand it to one of the men at
the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the
foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We
offer **free Bible correspondence courses**
you can receive by mail at no cost to you. Let
our preacher know if you would like to set up
an **in-home Bible study**. Thank you for
attending. Come back anytime!