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**SERVICES**

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

**WEB PAGE**

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**MISSIONS**

-Dustin Bolks  
**Sioux Center, Ia.**  
-Dahn Ramkelawan  
**Suriname, SA**  
-Michael Mayo  
**Thailand, SE Asia**  
-Herman Joseph  
**Guyana, SA**  
- Mohamed Ally  
**Guyana, SA**  
-*"In Search of the Lord's Way"* TV broadcast

**SEARCH TV**

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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**Greater  
LOVE**  
has no one  
than this,  
that he  
lay down his  
**LIFE** for  
his friends.

**JOHN 15:13**

**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!

## The Most High Reigns

Kings tend to think they have supreme authority, that no one is above them. King Solomon wrote, “Where the word of a king *is*, *there is* power; And who may say to him, “What are you doing?”” (Eccl. 8:4). But only one King has no one above Him. Nebuchadnezzar was king over the mighty Babylonian empire and thought he was above all, but God humbled him and taught him that there is indeed a King of kings (Dan. 4:34; 1 Tim. 6:15). God is the Most High who reigns as king over the kingdom of men (Dan. 4:17; cf. Psa. 7:17).

God’s sovereignty means He works all things according to the counsel of His own will (Eph. 1:11; Dan. 4:35). All are subject to His rule (Psa. 103:19). He is the Creator of all; He does what He pleases (Psa. 115:3; Rev. 4:11). As the omnipotent, reigning King (Rev. 19:6), He could force His will upon us feeble humans who in Him live, move, and have our being (Acts 17:28). Some believe that He does. John Calvin viewed predestination as, “the eternal decree of God, by which he determined with himself whatever he wished to happen with regard to every man. All men are not created on equal terms, but some are preordained to eternal life, others to eternal damnation; and accordingly, as each has been created for one or the other of these ends, we say that he has been predestinated to life or to death.”<sup>1</sup>

Contrary to Calvin, the Bible teaches that God allows humans to have free will. From the beginning—when He gave Adam and Eve the option of obeying Him and living or eating of the forbidden tree and dying (Gen. 2:16, 17)—God has always given man a choice (Deut. 30:19; Josh. 24:15). Jesus said, “If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself” (Jn. 7:17). Man can exercise his will to find out the will of God and know divine doctrine, or he can reject the Lord. Jesus does not, at present, force us to be His servants; instead, He extends the invitation to all to come to Him (Mt. 11:28). The Lord has all authority; however, with that authority He commands the invitation of the gospel to go out to the entire world (Mt. 28:18-20). Every individual has the choice: “whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely” (Rev. 22:17). Many are lost because they reject this offer (Mt. 23:37; Acts 13:46; 2 Thess. 1:8).

God loves every person (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 5:6-8). He desires that all be saved (1 Tim. 2:4; 2 Pet. 3:9). God has not chosen for you whether you will be saved or lost; you must choose. Your will is the deciding factor. God wants you to love Him in return with all your heart, soul, mind and strength (Mk. 12:30). But He will not force you to love Him. Just as Jesus chose to lay down His life (Jn. 10:18) in order to follow God’s determinate plan (Acts 2:23), you must choose whether you will follow the path God has laid down for you to have eternal life. Jesus said, “If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it” (Lk. 9:23, 24). You can choose to let God reign as King in your life by doing all things under His authority (Col. 3:17).

-Mark Day

<sup>1</sup> *Institutes*. III.21.5

# News & Notes



## **Sermons Today**

**10:45AM:** Jerry Sturgill- "The Certainties of Death"

**6:00PM:** Nathan Adkins: "A True Friend"

**Scripture Reading:** Jesse Legg

~ ~ ~ **John 15:13-15** ~ ~ ~

13- Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

14- You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.

15- No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.



## **2021 Dates to Remember:**

**Oct 24**– elders/deacons/preachers meet-4:30p

**Oct 29**– Ladies Luncheon-12:30p– at the Winchester Restaurant in the Delta Hotel

**Nov 6**– Men's Inspiration Day– Pine Grove church of Christ– Scott Dept, WV-9a

## **Gauging Our Faith**

	<u>10/17/21</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>10/18/20</u>
<b>Bible Study</b>	78	110	58
<b>AM Worship</b>	113	160	99
<b>PM Worship</b>	78	110	57
<b>Mid Week</b>	66	110	nc
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$5352.00	\$6000.00	\$7525.00

## **Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet**

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

## **Member Information Change**

Buck and Veronica Wheeler have changed their phone number. It is now (606) 388-2895. Their address remains unchanged. Please note the new number in your member directory. Thank you.

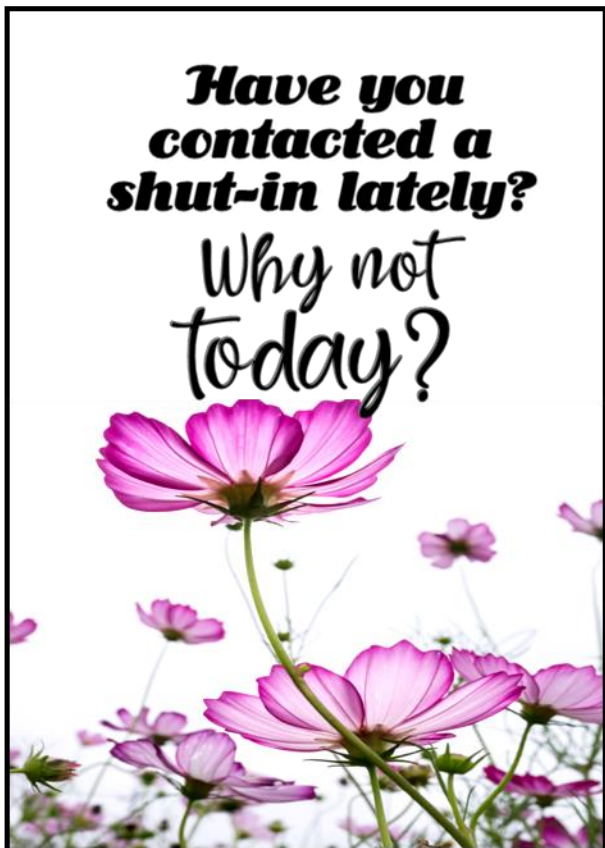
## **October Ladies Luncheon**

Each month, on the last Friday of that month, all ladies can meet at the selected restaurant to share a meal. This month on the 29th, the ladies will meet at the Winchester in the Delta Hotel at 12:30pm.



**Have you  
contacted a  
shut-in lately?**

*Why not  
today?*



## ☞ Today's Servants ☜

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Chris Scott

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Ranie Wohnhas

**PM:** Brad Morris

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** JC Hughes

**PM:** Jerry Sturgill

### **LORD'S TABLE\*:**

**Presiding AM:** Mark Parks

**Assisting:** Jordan Conley,  
Tanner Adkins, John Gambill

**Presiding PM:** Steve Wallace

\*gluten-free bread

### **Scripture Reading:**

**PM:** Jesse Legg

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** Nathan Parks

**PM:** Mason Morris

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

**WELCOME:** Mark Parks

**SONG LEADER:** Mark Day

**PRAYER:** JC Hughes

**DEVOTION:** Daniel Goshorn

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☜

**POWER POINT:** Luke Wallace

**LIVE STREAM:** Jerry Sturgill

**BLDG. ATT.:** Jerry Sturgill

**COORDINATOR:** Steve Wallace

**ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

## ☆☆☆ Youth Notes ☆☆☆

☆☆☆ Sundays ☆☆☆

# Pew Packers

## 5:45pm

in the front of  
the auditorium-  
geared to age  
12 & under,  
but everyone is  
welcome to attend



## 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 will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection box or give 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 also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to 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. We hope to see you often.