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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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MISSIONS

-Jerry Sturgill
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Suriname, SA
-Michael Mayo
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-Herman Joseph
Guyana, SA
-Mohamed Ally
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-D.J. Hatfield
WVSOP support
-“In Search of the Lord’s
Way” TV broadcast

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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The greatest of these



IS LOVE.

1 Corinthians 13:13

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!

Attitudes that Promote Unity

Paul's epistle to the Ephesians has a lot to say about unity found in Christ. God's plan is to unite all things in heaven and on earth in Christ (Eph. 1:10). Major differences existed among people in the first-century church. These differences presented obstacles that had to be overcome. Jews and Gentiles had no fellowship with each other; however, they became one body by the cross of Christ (Eph. 2:16). In the church God brought oneness where there was once separation. He broke down the middle wall of partition (Eph. 2:14).

In today's world, the body of Christ brings together people who are vastly different. People of different races, cultures, and backgrounds make up the church; moreover, even among individuals in the church who share similarities in these, differences still exist in personalities, likes, and dislikes. Yet in all of this, God's plan is unity in the church.

Notice the unity described in Ephesians 4:4-6: "*There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.*" The items listed here are tremendously significant points of unity in the body of Christ. However, the unity God desires and has given in the church is not something that comes without effort. Just prior to this, Paul urged these Christians to walk in a manner worthy of their calling, "with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph. 4:2-3).

Lowliness is humility. Pride causes a man to exalt himself. This will not help unity. When people exalt men, division occurs. A prime example of this problem was the carnally-minded church at Corinth (1 Cor. 1:10-13; 3:3,4).

Next to lowliness is gentleness. Gentleness is meekness, power under control. Those who are meek are not eager to display their power to others, but rather learn to control themselves so that the greater good may be accomplished.

Longsuffering is also essential to unity. Being patient with our brothers and sisters in Christ will go a long way toward maintaining unity. Problems among brothers may come because of misunderstanding of the Bible or of each other. If my brother misunderstands, I should patiently help him to understand. Problems that arise from a brother who genuinely misunderstands are to be handled differently than those that arise from one who deliberately causes division. Notice the difference between the instructions regarding a weaker brother (1 Cor. 8:11-12) and a factious man (Titus 3:10).

Finally, we must bear with each other in love. Genuine love is the best cure for a divided body. No wonder the famous chapter on love was written to the aforementioned Corinthian church that was divided over spiritual gifts (1 Cor. 13).

Let us make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit by having attitudes of humility, gentleness, patience, forbearance, and love. -Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

10:45AM: guest speaker– DJ Hatfield,
WVSOP student we support

Scripture Reading: Noah Day

Psalm 51:1-4

1- To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

2- Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

3- For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.

4- Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.

Elders, Deacons, Preacher Meet

Next Sunday, this group is scheduled to meet at 4:30pm in the annex large classroom.

Baby Shower Invitation

Rachel Conley Duke and Bev Conley will be hosting a baby shower for Kaitlyn Conley Patterson on Saturday, January 28th at 1:00pm. The shower will be held at the Venue at the Edge, 1100 Our Lady's Way, Suite 200, Ashland, KY 41101. Please, RSVP by January 14th to (606) 923-7073. Kaitlyn's registry: www.babylist.com/Kpattersonbaby

Attendance & Contribution Goals

	01/01/23	Goal	01/02/22
Bible Study	57	90	nc
AM Worship	94	130	108
PM Worship	67	90	73
Mid Week	54	90	74
Contribution:	\$6085.50	\$6000.00	\$5799.00

Devotional Book

Mark Day is planning on assembling a devotional book to be distributed with an included Bible-reading plan for 2024. We need as many members as possible to write a devotional (or a few devotionals) of 300-500 words in length. These are to be on biblical topics that help encourage us in our Christian walk. Feel free to use personal experiences that help illustrate the lessons you are relating from God's word. This will be a way to get to know one another better and build one another up as members of God's family here at Flatwoods.

Dates to Remember:

Jan 15– elders/deacons/preacher meet-4:30p

Jan 28– Baby Shower for Kaitlyn Conley Patterson– Venue at the Edge– 1p

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

☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Nathan Adkins

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jeremiah Smith

PM: JC Hughes

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Greg Conley

Assisting: Chris Scott,
Greg Hall, Mark Parks,
Blake Hem, Jacob Martin,
Terry Fouts, Tanner Adkins

Presiding PM: Jordan Conley

Assisting: George Wallace
*gluten-free bread

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Noah Day

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Chris Legg

PM: Mason Morris

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER: Ranie Wohnhas

PRAYER: JC Hughes

DEVOTION: Greg Hall

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris

POWER POINT: Jesse Legg

BLDG. ATT.: Jeremiah Smith

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★Sundays★★★

Pew Packers

5:45pm

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



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.