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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 Tri-state area -Daniel Goshom Peru, SA -Dustin Bolks Sioux Center, Ia. -Dahn Ramkelawan Suriname, SA -Michael Mayo Thailand, SE Asia -Herman Joseph Guvana, SA - Mohamed Ally Guyana, SA -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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I will process
the name of God
with a song, and will magnify Him
with

Psalm 69:30, NKJV

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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 Thousand-Year Reign

The devil has made it his aim to deceive people to sin and follow him to eternal ruin (2 Cor. 4:4; 11:3; 1 Pet. 5:8; Mt. 25:41). Yet, sin leading to death does not have to be our final end. Through His own death, Christ gained the victory over sin and eternal death for all mankind potentially (Heb. 2:14, 15). This victory becomes reality for the faithful of all ages—not only those who lived after His death, but also those who lived before (Rom. 3:25; Heb. 2:9; 10:11, 12).

The book of Revelation has a comforting message: those who remain faithful to Jesus by overcoming trials and persecutions are able to reign with Him for a thousand years (Rev. 3:21; 20:4). One thousand is a high power of ten, symbolizing the complete power God exercises over the devil in restraining him from deceiving the nations. It is not a literal number. A literal interpretation is not supported by the Scriptures. The book of Revelation is symbolic (Rev. 1:1). A thousand years is a symbol of the complete power (10 times 10 times 10) of the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords (Rev. 17:14; 19:16; Lk. 1:33; Dan. 2:44). The actual length of time represented by these thousand years is unknown. This number was chosen simply for its symbolic significance. These one thousand years are not mentioned elsewhere in the Scriptures in literal contexts.

Revelation 20 is often used for proof of the teaching that Christ will come back to earth to reign on David's literal throne in Jerusalem for a definite period of one thousand years (called the millennium). However, the passage does not mention Christ's return. Nor does it mention the reign being on earth, David's literal throne, or the city of Jerusalem. If the 1,000 years were literal, then when the 1,000 years have expired, these people would cease to live and reign with Christ.

But it is obvious that these are symbols as Revelation begins by noting that it is signified (1:1); it is highly figurative and symbolic. Ask yourself some other questions regarding elements in Revelation 20 and whether they are literal or figurative. Is the key literal? Is the bottomless pit literal? Is the great chain literal? Is the seal that is upon Satan literal? Are the thrones literal? Were all these souls literally beheaded? Is the beast literal? Is the mark of the beast a literal mark on one's forehead and hands? These are all figures.

Instead of giving us a timetable of events to happen on earth in the future, the chief concern of Revelation 20 is the devil meeting his end and the victory of the saints. Troubles and worries may abound for Christians trying to stay faithful to Jesus in the face of an ungodly world that persecutes them, but whether one it is the first century or the twenty-first, we know that complete victory is found in Christ. Do not let anything separate you from Him who gives you the victory. Jesus is King (Eph. 1:20-22; Col. 1:13). He reigns and will reign (Acts 2:22-36; 1 Cor. 15:24-26). Does He reign in your life?

-Mark Day

News & Notes

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 16:29-33

- **29-** In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah, Ahab the son of Omri became king over Israel; and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty-two years.
- **30-** Now Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him.
- **31-** And it came to pass, as though it had been a trivial thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took as wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians; and he went and served Baal and worshiped him.
- **32** Then he set up an altar for Baal in the temple of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.
- **33-** And Ahab made a wooden image. Ahab did more to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him.

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

Attendance & Contribution Goals			
	03/19/23	Goal	03/20/22
Bible Study	88	90	74
AM Worship	135	130	114
PM Worship	80	90	73
Mid Week	74	90	75
Contribution:	\$7193.34	\$6000.00	\$9286.00

March Ladies Luncheon

All ladies are invited to the luncheon on Friday, the 31st at 11:30am. The group will meet at the Winchester in Ashland.

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. Please send these to Mark Day in a digital format (preferably in Word) by April 2, 2023. Thank you.

Dates To Remember

- Mar 31 Ladies Luncheon 11:30a at the Winchester
- Apr 02 Devotional deadline for 2024 Bible reading book
- <u>Apr 11</u>– Ladies Book Study– annex large classroom– 6:30p
- <u>Apr 16</u>—Elders, Deacons, & Preacher meeting—annex—4:30p
- Apr 23 Potluck luncheon annex 12p
- <u>Apr 23-26</u>– Gospel Meeting with Greg Dismuke
- Apr 28 Ladies Luncheon place TBD-11:30a
- July 22 one-day VBS 9:30a 2:30p
- Sep 15-17 Evangelism seminar w/ Allen Webster
- Oct 13-15 Gospel Meeting w/ Michael Mayo

🔊 Today's Servants 🗷

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Nathan Adkins

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Jordan Conley
PM: Greg Conley
LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Greg Hall **Assisting:** Greg Conley,
Chris Scott, Mark Parks,
Jesse Legg, Danny Stone,
John Gambill, Blake Hern

Presiding PM: Mark Parks
Assisting: Chris Scott
*gluten-free bread

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Noah Day

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Matt Vonderheide PM: Mason Morris

> Wednesday Servants &

WELCOME: Chris Scott SONG LEADER: Brad Morris PRAYER: Mark Day

DEVOTION: Greg Hall

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LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris **POWER POINT:** Luke Wallace **BLDG. ATT.:** Nathan Parks

COORDINATOR: Matt Vonderheide **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.