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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

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MISSIONS

-Jerry Sturgill
Tri-state area
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Peru, SA
-Dustin Bolks
Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, SA
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-Herman Joseph
Guyana, 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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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 Day of the Lord's Wrath Against the Violent and Deceitful

Zephaniah prophesied against the sins of Judah early in the reign of Josiah around 640-620 BC (Zeph. 1:1). Because of the idolatry and moral corruption prevalent among the people, Zephaniah proclaimed, "The great day of the LORD *is* near" (Zeph. 1:14). For those enmeshed in sin, the day of the Lord's judgment is not pleasant. "That day *is* a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness," (Zeph. 1:15). God would arrange the Babylonian invasion of Judah as punishment. Those punished would stumble around like blind men because of their sins (Zeph. 1:17). Gold and silver would not be able to deliver them from the Lord's wrath (Zeph. 1:18).

Violence and deceit were prevalent in that day (Zeph. 1:9). Jeremiah, who prophesied around the same time as Zephaniah, also highlighted violence and plundering in Judah for which God would bring in Babylon for their destruction. Some years prior, Micah decried the violence of rich men and deceitful tongues in Jerusalem (Mic. 6:12). While we do not live in the same time as Zephaniah, we do live in a world filled with violence and deceit. From the beginning, God has always punished mankind when society becomes filled with violence (Gen. 6:11). Today we have also been warned of the day of the Lord's judgment (1 Cor. 5:5; 1 Thess. 5:2; 2 Pet. 3:10). It will not be Babylon coming upon Judah as in Zephaniah, but a day in 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 Pet. 3:10). The same sins denounced in Zephaniah's day must be denounced today. Those who participate in them without humbling themselves in repentance and obedience to the Lord will suffer. Revelation 21:8 says, "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

Zephaniah's name means "Jehovah hides," which may indicate that the Lord will protect the righteous in the day of wrath. God takes note of the righteous who do not follow the majority in the sins of the day. Exodus 12 showed how God passed over the righteous families of Israel who followed the Lord's instructions so that they were spared from the plague that killed all the firstborn in Egypt. Zephaniah pointed toward a remnant who do not commit iniquity, nor speak lies, but rather trust in the name of the Lord (3:12-13). Those who through baptism have died with Christ and have been risen with Him have their sins covered by His blood (Rom. 4:7). Their lives are hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3). Instead of being filled with pride, these are poor in spirit (Zeph. 3:12; Mt. 5:3). Instead of deceiving and being deceived, these people feed on God's word (Zeph. 3:13; 1 Pet. 2:2; Acts 20:32), believe the truth (1 Thess. 2:13; 1 Jn. 2:21; 3:19, and speak it in love to others (Eph. 4:15). One can look to the day of judgment with confidence if one believes the truth and is abiding in the love of God (1 Jn. 4:17).

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Today's Sermons

AM: An Attitude Adjustment

PM: Death and Life

PM Scripture Reading:

Romans 5: 20-21

20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.



Elders, Deacons, Preacher Meet

Next Sunday, November 19th, the elders, deacons and preacher are scheduled to meet at 4:30pm in the annex large classroom.

Ladies Holiday Party

Saturday, December 2nd, Kathy Hall will host all the ladies in her home at 6:30pm. Everyone wanting to carpool or possibly ride the van, should meet at this building by 6:10pm. Everyone is encouraged to carpool as parking is very scarce at the Halls' home. There will be an optional gift exchange with a \$10 limit.



Rom 5:12-14 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—¹³(For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. ¹⁴Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.

Attendance & Contribution Goals

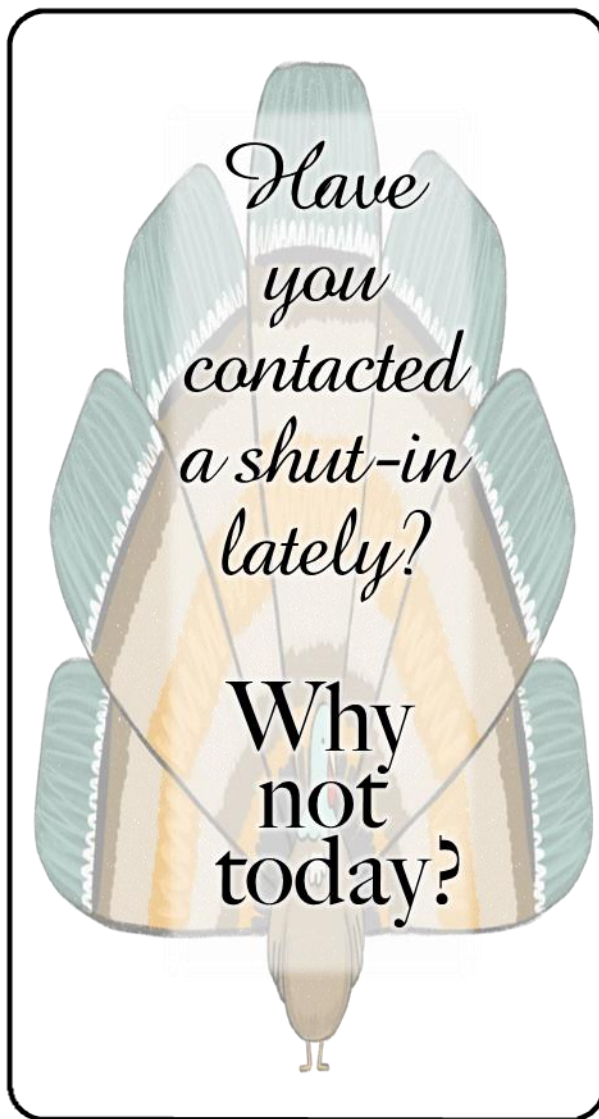
	11/05/23	Goal	11/06/22
Bible Study	72	90	82
AM Worship	125	130	110
PM Worship	61	90	67
Mid Week	67	90	56
Contribution:	\$7770.25	\$6000.00	\$9838.00

Dates to Remember

Nov 19– Elders, Deacons and Preacher meeting– 4:30p– annex

Dec 2– Ladies Holiday Party– 6:30p at Kathy Hall's home– carpools meet at the building at 6:10p

Dec 17– Elders, Deacons and Preacher meet 4:30p– annex



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Chris Scott

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 Hern, Mark Gullett,
Terry Fouts, Gabe Scott

Presiding PM: Nathan Parks

Assisting: George Wallace
*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Chris Legg

PM: Mason Morris

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Noah Day

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: George Wallace

DEVOTION: Mark Parks

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

LIVE STREAM: Luke Wallace

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

BLDG. ATT.: Mark Parks

COORDINATOR: Nathan Parks

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

**** Youth Notes ****

**** Sundays ****

Pew Packers

5:45pm

in front of the
auditorium-
geared to age 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 plate 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.