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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
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-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 Lord your God
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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!

God's Work in the Church

Ephesians 2 describes the dramatic change Jesus has made through His redemptive work. Ephesians 2:1-10 addresses salvation provided through God's love, kindness, and grace. When we respond to God's offer of salvation in His Son Jesus Christ by faith (Eph. 2:8), we become God's new creation, His workmanship created for good works (Eph. 2:10). Before we were dead in trespasses and sins (Eph. 2:1), but now we have been made alive in Him (Eph. 2:5). Before we served the devil, fulfilling the desires of the flesh (Eph. 2:2-3). Now we serve God by walking in good works (Eph. 2:10).

In Ephesians 2:11-22, Paul wrote of God's plan to include the Gentiles with the Jews in the one body, His church made of His people (cf. Eph. 1:22-23; Acts 2:47). Particularly in Ephesians 2:11-13, Paul addressed the standing of unconverted Gentiles before Christ came. "That at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world" (Eph. 2:12). What a deplorable state people are in without Christ!

But being "in Christ" made all the difference. "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ" (Eph. 2:13). All spiritual blessing in heavenly places are found "in Christ" (Eph. 1:3). Redemption and forgiveness of sins are secured through the blood of Christ (Eph. 1:7). In water baptism, the sins that separated us from God (Isa. 59:1-2), are washed away (Acts 22:16) so that we can be near to Him once again. Paul took time to make sure that some in Ephesus were baptized in the Lord Jesus (Acts 19:5). Baptism puts one into Christ (Rom. 6:3-4; Gal. 3:26-27). The church, the saved body of Christ, is made up of those who have been sanctified and cleansed by the washing of water (Eph. 5:26).

The peace that comes through Jesus' blood not only reconciles people to God, but also to one another, "that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near" (Eph. 2:16-17). Jews and Gentiles who had been at odds for generations were born again into a new family of God. "Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God" (Eph. 2:19).

Readers of the book of Ephesians in any century can benefit from reflecting on God's plan of salvation that He has worked through Jesus Christ. The church is an integral part of this eternal plan of God (Eph. 3:10-12). Let us not disparage the church, but instead grow in our appreciation of it as part of the divine plan of God—"to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen" (Eph. 2:21).

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Today's Sermons

AM: Presented by Mark Day

PM: Presented by Mark Day

PM Scripture Reading:

Luke 10:25-28

25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading *of it*?"

27 So he answered and said, "'YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND,' and 'YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.'"

28 And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."

Ladies' Luncheon

The ladies will be meeting for lunch on Friday, February 23rd at Olive Garden in Ashland at 11:30am. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Challenge Youth Conference

Some of our youth and their families will be traveling to Pigeon Forge, TN for Challenge Youth Conference February 23-25.

Dates to Remember

March 3– Due date for pantry items for Potter Children's Home

March 29-31-Lads2Leaders 2024

Convention in Louisville, KY

April 14-17-Gospel meeting with Phil Sanders

Potter Children's Home

We are gathering pantry items and/or donations for Potter Children's Home. The pantry items requested are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Pantry items and donations will be picked up the week of March 3rd.

Elders, Deacons, Preachers

Meeting

Elders, deacons, and preachers will be meeting today at 4:30pm in the large annex classroom.

Attendance & Contribution Goals

	2/11/24	Goal	2/12/23
Bible Study	68	90	67
AM Worship	103	130	108
PM Worship	67	90	68
Mid Week	62	90	56
Contribution:	\$7,141.10		\$6,177.00



☼ Today's Servants ☼

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Jackson Morris

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Greg Hall

PM: John Gambill

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks

Assisting: Chris Legg,
George Wallace, David
Morckel, Terry Fouts,
Luke Wallace, Mark
Gullett, Ernie Perry

Presiding PM: Brad Morris

Assisting: Mason Morris
*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Nathan Parks

PM: Matt Vonderheide

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Noah Day

☼ Wednesday Servants ☼

WELCOME: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Nathan Parks

DEVOTION: Jordan Conley

☼ Weekly Servants ☼

LIVE STREAM: Jesse Legg

POWER POINT: Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATT.: Mark Day

COORDINATOR: Matt Vonderheide

***** 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.