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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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-Dustin Bolks
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-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 Apostles' Doctrine and Fellowship

In Acts 2:42, we read, "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Notice how "the apostles' doctrine" and "fellowship" are coupled together in the sentence by the word *and* between them and the comma after the word *fellowship*. Instead of giving a comma after each of these items as if they were simply a list (e.g. doctrine, fellowship, breaking bread, and prayers), the punctuation pairs the apostles' doctrine with fellowship. Greek editions of the New Testament have this punctuation as well.

The early church engaged in each of these activities. We may readily see how some of these items could fit together. If we break bread, then we will offer prayer to God while doing so. We also view this as fellowship. However, the linkage we may fail to notice is *doctrine* and *fellowship*, yet from the way the sentence reads, this association is emphasized.

We cannot have fellowship unless we all continue steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine. *Doctrine* means teaching. What the inspired apostles taught in the New Testament is our basis for unity and cooperation. To Corinth the apostle Paul wrote:

God *is* faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you, but *that* you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. (1 Cor. 1:9,10.)

In the context of Acts 2, Peter had just delivered a sermon about Jesus. His life attested by miraculous activity (v. 22), His crucifixion by wicked hands (v. 23), and His resurrection from the grave as the fulfillment of prophecy (vv. 24-35) all pointed to the conclusion that Jesus indeed is Lord and Messiah (v. 36). The crowd was convicted by these words (v. 37). They believed Jesus was Lord and Messiah and that they were guilty of putting Him to death. When they asked the inspired apostle Peter what to do (v. 37), he replied, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins..." (v. 38). These are teachings upon which we must agree if we are to have fellowship.

The apostles' teaching regarding receiving salvation is plain. We cannot have fellowship with those who teach something other than what the apostles taught in the New Testament regarding how to receive remission of sins. If the apostle Peter says baptism saves us (1 Pet. 3:21), then we cannot teach differently. If the apostle John faithfully records that Jesus taught we must be born of water and the spirit to enter the kingdom (John 3:3-5), then we cannot teach another way of entry and remain in fellowship with God and His people. The apostle Paul teaches that we become children of God through faith by being baptized into Christ (Gal. 3:26, 27), that baptism places one into Christ, uniting one with Christ's death, freeing one from sin (Rom. 6:3-7), that baptism is a burial, the working of God that makes us alive and forgives us of all trespasses (Col. 2:12-13), and that it is God's mercy to save, the washing of regeneration (Titus 3:5). We must continue steadfastly in this teaching. We cannot have fellowship with those who teach and practice something other than what the apostles have taught on this vital subject.

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Today's Sermons

AM: Troubled Hearts

PM: Stand and Fight

PM Scripture Reading:

Ephesians 6:10-13

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Ladies' Luncheon

All ladies are invited to attend the monthly luncheon, which will take place at The Winchester Friday, March 29th at 11:30am.

Lads 2 Leaders

Remember many of our youth and their families as they travel to Louisville for Lads 2 Leaders March 29-31. While there, our youth will be participating in activities that will help them as they grow to take on more leadership roles in the church.

Attendance & Contribution Goals

	3/10/24	Goal	3/12/23
Bible Study	60	90	78
AM Worship	98	130	116
PM Worship	73	90	73
Mid Week	68	90	59
Contribution:	\$5,264.10		\$6,839.10

Dates to Remember

March 29-Ladies' luncheon at The Winchester in Ashland at 11:30am

March 29-31-Lads2Leaders 2024 Convention in Louisville, KY

April 14-17-Gospel meeting with Phil Sanders

Elders, Deacons, Preachers

Meeting

Elders, deacons, and preachers are to meet today at 4:30pm in the large annex classroom.

*Have you
contacted
a shut-in
lately?*

*Why not
today?*

☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Jeremiah Smith

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Chris Scott

PM: JC Hughes

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Greg Conley

Assisting: George Wallace,
JC Hughes, Jacob Brown,
Ernie Perry, Mark Gullett,
Cody Ward, Gabe Scott

Presiding PM: Nathan Parks

Assisting: George Wallace
*gluten-free bread

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: David Morckel

PM: Mason Morris

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Noah Day

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: Greg Conley

DEVOTION: Mark Day

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

LIVE STREAM: Luke Wallace

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

BLDG. ATT.: Chris Scott

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

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.