

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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“In Search of the Lord’s
Way”

TV broadcast

Search TV

Sundays 7:30am (on Fox)

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He shall be like a tree
planted by the rivers of
water, that brings forth its
fruit in its season, whose
leaf also shall not wither;
and whatever he does
shall prosper.

Psalm 1:3

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.

There are free tracts and literature on the wall in the foyer. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let us know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study.

Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often!

Three Truths of Bearing Fruit

Bearing fruit is a common illustration in the Bible because it fitly describes the process of one practicing God's word. In the parable of the sower (Matthew 13:3-8), it is the good ground that receives the seed and brings forth much fruit. In order to be good ground, we must take in the word of God and allow it to change our thinking and actions. Psalm 1:3 describes the righteous man as, "a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season." Let's notice three truths of Psalm 1:3 that are also illustrated in Jesus' parable of the vine and the branches.

First, the righteous man is planted in the right place to produce fruit. He is "planted by the rivers of water." He is next to the life-giving stream. One must be planted in Christ to bring forth proper fruit. Jesus gives an illustration of a vine and branches in John 15. In verse 5 he says, "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing." It is impossible to bring forth proper fruit to God if one is not connected to Christ. One may do a lot of good deeds, but unless one gets into Christ by the initial obedience to the Gospel, one cannot bring forth fruit unto God (Romans 6:3-4; Galatians 3:26-27). There will be those on judgment day who will insist they have done many good deeds, but Christ will reply, "I never knew you" (Matthew 7:21-23).

Second, once one is planted in the proper place, one must bear fruit. The righteous man "brings forth his fruit." God's plan for us is to bear fruit once we are in Christ. Consider Romans 7:4-5, "Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God. For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death." Jesus concludes His illustration of the vine and branches by saying, "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples" (John 15:8).

Third, the righteous man not only is fruitful, but he is fruitful at the right time. He brings forth fruit "in his season." Jesus said in John 15:2, "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit." We learn that we must not languish in the fruit-bearing process. The Lord's will is that we bear more fruit. If we do not bear fruit, then we will be taken away. Thus, the time to bear fruit is now, lest we lose the connection we have to the source of life. Too many put off bearing fruit until later only to find that it is too late. We must be ready for harvest time.

May we all strive to be like the righteous man described in Psalm 1. If we are planted in the right place, in Christ, if we bring forth fruit, and if we do it at the right time, then we will be righteous. We are known by our fruits (Matthew 7:15-20).

- Mark Day

Today's Lessons

AM: The Secret to Obeying is Loving - Nathan Adkins

PM: Chris Scott

Notes

Attendance & Contribution			
	4/13/25	Goal	4/14/24
Bible Study	71	90	80
AM Worship	114	130	116
PM Worship	71	90	83
Mid Week	72	90	85
Contribution	\$6,167.00		\$6,941.00

Sunday Servants

WELCOME: Greg Hall

Morning

SONG LEADER: Nathan Adkins

FIRST PRAYER: JC Hughes

CLOSING PRAYER: Jason Fouts

LORD'S TABLE*

PRESIDING: Chris Scott

ASSISTING: George Wallace,
Matt Vonderheide, Mark Gullett,
Ernie Perry, Jacob Brown, Gabe
Scott, Terry Fouts

Evening

SONG LEADER: Chris Scott

FIRST PRAYER: John Gambill

LORD'S TABLE*

PRESIDING: Nathan Adkins

ASSISTING: Cody Ward

CLOSING PRAYER: Richard
Miranda

SCRIPTURE READING: Gabe Scott

Wednesday Servants

WELCOME: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER: Mason Morris

PRAYER: JC Hughes

DEVOTIONAL: Jerry Sturgill

Weekly Servants

LIVE STREAM: Jason Fouts

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

BLDG. ATT.: Nathan Adkins

COORDINATOR: Matt Vonderheide

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

***gluten-free bread**

Dates to Remember

Apr. 25 - 11:30am Ladies' Lunch at Texas Roadhouse

Apr. 26 - 8:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast at Pappy's

Apr. 26 - Ladies' Day at Kenova Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

Apr. 26 - Ladies' Day at Clearview Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

Apr. 27 - Potluck honoring the Day family

Apr. 27 - Elders, Deacons, Preacher's Meeting

May 3 - Baby Shower for Taylor Brown - see bulletin board for details

May 17 - Ladies' Day at Harrisville Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

May 18 - Potluck and Lads to Leaders Recognition

June 1 - Graduate Honor Night

June 14 - Arts and Eats Festival 3pm-8pm

Aug. 2 - Vacation Bible School 10am-2pm

Aug. 23-24 - Evangelism Training

Please Join Us For A Wedding Shower Honoring

Alex & Niecy Wells

Saturday, June 7, 2025
at 1:00pm in the Annex

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"Acts of The Apostles" by Pharr (6 lessons)

"Getting to Know Jesus" by Pharr (20 lessons)