

SCHEDULED TO SERVE MARCH 31:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: **B. CAMPBELL**
 SONG DIRECTOR: am **B. CAMPBELL**
 pm **J. RICE**
 PRAYER: am **H. JUNG**
 pm **Ju. RICE**
 READING: **B. GRIM**
 WAIT ON TABLE **D. GOFF**
Da. HOOD
 SERVE CONGREGATION **G. DURIG**
C. STEWART
 CLOSING PRAYER: am. **M. HOOD**
 pm **B. CAMPBELL**

Wednesday Invitation: March 27, 2024
Danny Goff

PREPARE COMMUNION—March 2024
Mary Jung

MESSENGER

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE RECORD:

Week of
 March 17

Bible Study	34
AM Worship	49
PM Worship	34
Wednesday	31

God's Plan for Man's Salvation

"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" Acts 16:30

The Gospel Must be **HEARD**

Rom. 10:17 John 8:32

The Gospel Must be **BELIEVED**

John 8:24 Mark 16:16

Sins Must be **REPENTED OF**

Luke 13:3, 5 Acts 2:38

Christ Must be **CONFESSED**

Matt. 10:32-33 Rom. 10:10

There Must Be **BAPTISM**

(Immersion) for the Remission of
 Sins

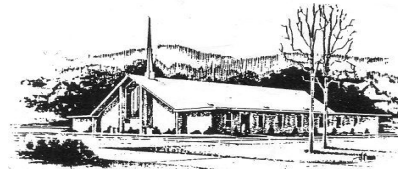
Acts 2:38 1 Peter 3:21

There Must Be **CHRISTIAN**

GROWTH and **FAITHFULNESS**

1 Peter 2:2 Rev. 2:10

2 Peter 3:18



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NEW EVERY MORNING!

It was a very difficult time for the prophet Jeremiah and his nation. Sadly, they were going through much suffering and hardship. However, among the many lamentations, Jeremiah noted: "This I recall to my mind, Therefore I have hope. The LORD's lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, For His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness. 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'Therefore I have hope in Him'" (Lam. 3:21-24). Even if it was a dark moment for the people of God, the prophet was reflecting on the goodness of God. There was still evidence of God's care for them and a reason for hope, if they would focus back on Him more than their present troubles.

God's lovingkindness and compassion are new every morning! What wonderful news! **New every morning!** The same is true for us. We may face suffering and hardships, yet we still have reason to trust in God and have hope for the future. The writer of the letter to the Hebrews reminded his readers of God's promise: "I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you" (Heb. 13:5). Jesus promised His disciples that He would be "with [them] always, even to the end of the age" (Matt. 28:20).

God's constant care provided through His Creation is a testimony to His power, wisdom, and love for all mankind. He promised Noah after the flood: "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease" (Gen. 8:22). Paul told the people of Lystra that God's providential care was a *witness* to Him: "He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good and gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness" (Acts 14:16-17). Jesus told His disciples, "Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?' . . . your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matt. 6:31-33). Each day these blessings continue, reminding us that each day is a gift because "every good thing" is from God (James 1:17). Once we appreciate the fact that God's lovingkindness toward us is "new every morning," how do we treat each day as a gift?

Thank God for our blessings – "In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Thess. 5:18). Since all our blessings are from God, we need to thank Him for them. Even when we are facing difficulties, we still must do this: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Phil. 4:6).

Recognize opportunities to do good – The blessings we have provide us with opportunities to do good to others: "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed" (2 Cor. 9:8). When we have been blessed beyond our needs, our abundance can be used as a blessing for others: "So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of faith" (Gal. 6:10).

Prepare for eternity – "Behold, now is 'the acceptable time,' behold, now is 'the day of salvation'" (2 Cor. 6:2). We know that the Lord will return, but we do not know when He will return (Matt. 24:36). Therefore, we must be always ready: "Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming" (Matt. 24:42). When Jesus returns, He will bring the faithful home to heaven with Him (1 Thess. 4:16-17). We need to be storing up "treasures in heaven" (Matt. 6:20) so that we can be among those who will be saved.

Let us remember that each day is a gift because God is the giver of every good thing. And let us use each day in a way that honors Him.

Paolo Di Luca



We are honored to have you with us today. Please return this evening (6:30) and Wednesday evening (7:00) for our mid-week Bible Study.

If you have any questions about what we do during worship, we invite you to speak with our minister. His name and contact information is on the back of today's bulletin.



SEARCH
OF THE LORD'S WAY

Power Country 99.5 FM(radio)--7:30 am
WTRF 7(TV)- Wheeling, WV--6:30am
WTOV 9(TV)- Steubenville, OH--10:00am

"Our Adversary"
March 31, 2024

SCRIPTURE READING
March 24--30, 2024

Sunday, March 24--I Samuel 1--2
Monday, March 25--I Samuel 3--4
Tuesday, March 26--I Samuel 5--6
Wed., March 27--I Samuel 7--10
Thursday, March 28--I Samuel 11--13
Friday, March 29--I Samuel 14--16
Saturday, March 30--I Samuel 17--19

KEEP IN PRAYER

Family:

Joyce Campbell--Multiple Sclerosis
Clair Twyman
Danny Goff & family
Wilbur Dawson
Joyce Greathouse
Bill Caputo
Lorene Eddy

Friends:

Sean Klug—Health issues
Glendora Ellas (Cumberledge's niece)
Lucille Haught (Carla Haught's mother)
Kim Haught (Carla Haught's sister/health issues)
Carl Haught (Carla Haught's father)
Terry Varner
Julie Philips (friend of Bruce & Carmen Grim)
Lorene Eddy's son, Danny
Cindy Di Luca's brother, Mike Inman
Scott Johnson (Sandy Geho's brother)
Byron Henbest (Potter Children's Home)
David Hamilton (Potter Children's Home)
Jeff Harris--Chemo treatments
Nursing Home Residents
Janice Graham--J. Campbell's sister
Zack Lamp--Sue Skinner's nephew
Dave Schultheis(Wanda Schultheis' son)

We want to welcome Bill & Susan Rowe to the family at Bridge Street. Bill was baptized into Christ on Sunday evening, March 17th and Susan was baptized into Christ Wednesday evening, March 20th. Please add their contact information to your contacts:

*William & Susan Rowe
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Clarington, OH 43915
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Bill's date of birth: 7/12/70
Susan's cell # 740-213-0690
Susan's date of birth: 8/26/71*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

**SPRING GOSPEL MEETING
WITH SCOTT JUDGE--
APRIL 14--17, 2024.**



WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE THE UPCOMING GOSPEL MEETING SUCCESSFUL?

- 1) INVITE OTHERS TO COME LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD. INVITE FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CO-WORKERS, ANYONE NEEDING TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD.**
- 2) ATTEND EVERY SERVICE POSSIBLE.**
- 3) PRAY FOR THE MEETING; PRAY FOR THOSE YOU'VE INVITED TO ATTEND THE MEETING; PRAY FOR SCOTT TO HAVE SAFE TRAVELS; PRAY GOD'S WORD MAY TOUCH SOMEONE'S HEART.**

SOLOMON'S QUEST

One of the most neglected Old Testament books of study is *Ecclesiastes*. Within this book lies a powerful and relevant message.

The book was written by King Solomon (*Eccl. 1:1, 12, 16; 12:9*). It is about his quest to find happiness and purpose in life (*Eccl. 1:2-3; 2:3*).

I. Where does Solomon look?

- He began his journey by examining the vanity of money and possessions (*Eccl. 2:4-10*).
- Solomon had every material blessing that a man could desire. While it is not a sin to have nice things (*Eccl. 2:24*), the king learned that none of it leads to ultimate happiness and fulfillment (*Eccl. 2:18-24*).
- He then pursued wisdom (*Eccl. 1:16-18; 2:9*). Even if Solomon was one of the wisest men to have ever lived, his wisdom did not stop him from vanity (*Eccl. 2:12-16*). Both the wise man and fool die and are forgotten!
- He then considered fame and popularity (*Eccl. 2:9*). Solomon made a great name for himself. He is well-known even today. And yet, even with this accomplishments come eventual dissatisfaction.

II. What did Solomon discover?

- Solomon discovered that a life without God is worthless (*Eccl. 12:13-14*). Have you discovered the same thing?
- When God is the center of our lives, we understand our real worth.
- We also have the source of real happiness (*Eccl. 2:25; Gal. 5:22*).
- We also fulfill our true purpose in life (*1 Cor. 10:31*).
- We prepare ourselves to be judged by God (*Eccl. 12:14*).

Have you put God at the center of your life?