



Sunday, January 14, 2024

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A God Who Relentlessly Pursues

by Doug Kashorek

After last week's look at a Levite who relentlessly pursued that which best benefitted himself, it's refreshing to see a leader of God's people in Judges 19 who "*arose and went after her.*" Who? His unfaithful concubine who returned to her father's house in Bethlehem.

I mean, he didn't need to. She was the one who had sinned against "*her husband.*" He was well within his rights to wash his hands of her and let her go her own way—to the old life that she had chosen over him. But he didn't. No, he relentlessly pursued her "*to speak kindly to her and bring her back.*" This says something about the righteous character of this Levite.

Centuries later also in Bethlehem, it appeared that his betrothed, Mary, had been unfaithful to him, and because Joseph was "*a just man and unwilling to put her to shame,*" he, because of his righteous character, "*resolved to divorce her quietly.*" Our heavenly Father had this man relentlessly pursue the daughter who had "*found favor with God*" instead.

Isn't that what God does for those who have sinned and turned away from Him? Though our Bridegroom is well within His rights to wash His hands of us because we had chosen unfaithfulness over Him, the Good Shepherd leaves the ninety-nine sheep in the open country to "*go after the one that is lost, until he finds it*" Luke 15. He, who came "*to seek and to save the lost*" (19:10) relentlessly pursues. Then, all our strength gone, our righteous Savior "*lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.*"

In Casting Crowns' 2016 "God of All My Days," this same picture is painted of Jesus: *I ran from You, wandered in the shadows, And found a God, who relentlessly pursues. I hid from You, haunted by my failure, And found the God, whose grace still covers me. I fell on You when I was at my weakest, And found the God, the lifter of my head.*

So do we, living in His righteousness today, relentlessly pursue the lost sheep that He loves and desperately searches for?

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Class
1:00PM and 7:00PM

FACEBOOK

36th Street Church
of Christ
(Public Page)

36th Street Church
of Christ Members

OUR PRAYER LIST

Nancy Sams

Don Ogden

Pat Hill

Della Poling

Becky Eaton (friend of Karen Kibble/Julie DePuy/
Mike O'Dell)

Lois Morris (former member)

Georgia Grace Marlow (neighbor of Patty Lemon)

Margaret Alleman's family (Rise Snyder great-grandma)

Wonder Nodoro (past intern here at church)

Karen Mitchell (Charles Doyle's sister)

Mary Rose Talbott (Liz Hardman's mother)

Steve Wilson (friend of the Hoover & Hill families)

Our Long Term Care Residents:

(full addresses on foyer bulletin board)

Betty Armstrong— *The Pines at Glenwood Apt 124*

Lola Hitzel *Rockland Ridge room 301*

Eva Leonhart *Eagle Point Room 105-B*

Peggy Smith - *Altercare of Summit Acres Apt 308*

Homebound: Betty Logan, Helen Sweeney, and Martha Nulter



Celebrate

Birthday and Anniversary

There are no birthdays or anniversaries this week

As we begin our **100th year** in 2024, let's dedicate ourselves to prayer during the coming year: on ...

Sundays—pray for the assembling church & its future

Mondays—worship our Master who makes all possible

Tuesdays—lift up all teachers of His Word

Wednesdays—wisdom & work of our leaders

Thursdays—help for our youth & growth

Fridays—our fervor & influence for the gospel

Saturdays—lift up our ministries & tools that serve



Welcome to 36th Street!

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Thank you

Thanks for all the birthday cards and wishes for my 65th birthday

—Charles Doyle

News and Centennial

- ◆ The rough draft of the centennial book is done, and we have a month and a half to seek our members' input on certain details, pictures, pages, or sections before we send it to the printers. It's going to be a great memento of the story of God's people here in Vienna serving Him over the past century. Be sure to reserve one of the only 200 copies that will be printed today!
- ◆ Please note that we will do clothing orders again in the spring.
- ◆ We only plan to print 200 copies of our 100-page centennial book. You may pre-order now & receive a certificate of sale. However, sales will remain open until the celebration in May.



Would you like to send a card? You may place cards in the basket by the Deacon's desk & we will mail them out.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ★ **Jan 20(Sat)**—Widows Walk Planning Brunch at 11AM at the home of Doug and Angie Kashorek. They plan to provide the food, but if you would like to help bring something, please see Angie. Their address is 24 Mustang Acres in Parkersburg
- ★ **Jan 26-27(Fri/Sat)**—Ohio Winter Lectures @ Fishinger Road Church of Christ in Columbus, Ohio. See flyer on office hallway bulletin board
- ★ **Jan 28(Sun)**—Traveling Youth will meet at Little Hocking Church of Christ @ 5PM.
- ★ **Feb 11(Sun)**— Chili/Soup Potluck after morning service.

End of Year Special Contribution

TODAY is the last day to donate to End of the Year Contribution that supports the efforts of EEM (Eastern European Missions) and Disaster Relief. If you are writing a check, please make sure to notate that it is for this specifically. If you would like to donate cash, please give it directly to one of the elders, place in the special contribution box, or give to Dan Mincks.

—The December 2023 Financial Statement is now on the desk in the foyer.—



The Service Station could use baby wipes, as they are running very low on those.

We are still accepting coats, gloves, boots, hats, scarves, blankets and heavier socks for the cold weather. Please place the items in the totes in foyer.



Centennial Fund Update

The Centennial Fund is money that has been given and will be used to offset the costs of the Centennial Banquet.

The total to date is

\$3,790.00

Kids' Corner

According to Acts 20:28, how did Jesus buy His church?

- A. with cash
- B. with blood
- C. with credit
- D. with water



Tell the correct answer to the elder whose father was also an elder here for a prize.

Hey moms, dads, grandparents and **KIDS!** There is a new activity packet for school-age or younger children in the foyer on the first Sunday of every month.

Sunday, January 14, 2024 10:30 AM

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Song

Song Leader: Charles Doyle

Welcome & Opening Prayer
Dan Mincks

Song After Prayer

Song Before Communion

Table Speaker: Terry Garner

Scripture Reading: Scott Wigal
Judges 19:2-3

Speaker: Doug Kashorek
"Arose and Went After Her"

Invitation Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Joe Carrico

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song Leader: Spencer Mason

Welcome Prayer: Matthew Snyder

Scripture Reading: Spencer Mason
Psalm 47:1-2

Speaker: Doug Kashorek
"A Great King Over All The Earth"

PM Communion

Mike Hale

Announcements / Closing Prayer:
Joe Carrico

Ushers

Kelly Gibbs, Bob Hill, Rick Kellar

Privileged to Serve

	<u>1/21/2024</u>	<u>1/28/2024</u>
Song Leader	M Snyder	A Klingler
Welcome/Prayer	J Kelley	J Garner
Table Speaker	J Eckhart	J Houser
Read Scripture	G Grimm	R Craig
Speaker	D Kahsorek	D Kashorek
Closing Prayer	T Garner	J Carrico

Evening Services

Song Leader	K Gibbs	A Klingler
Welcome/Prayer	J Taylor	T Garner
Read Scripture	J Poling	M Snyder
Speaker	J Shuman	D Kashorek
Communion	K Gibbs	F Newberry
Closing Prayer	T Garner	J Carrico
Lead Usher	J Taylor	J Taylor
Usher 1	R Hoover	R Hoover
Usher 2	S Wigal	S Wigal

Attendance & Contribution Week of 1/7/24

Sunday AM Bible Study: 62
Sunday AM Worship: 100
Sunday PM Worship: 56
Wednesday Bible Study: 71
Contribution: \$4,445.95
Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

Direct deposit contributions can be made here:
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1322070>

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☆ **Those Serving in the Military:** ☆

☆ **Chris & Melanie DePuy, U.S. Air Force** ☆

☆ *(son of Jeff & Julie DePuy)* ☆

☆ **Brad Gibbs, U.S. Navy** ☆

☆ *(grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs)* ☆

☆ **Luke George, National Guard** ☆

☆ *(grandson-in-law of Anna Hart)* ☆

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WTAP – Sunday mornings at 7:30 AM



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