

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Worship Times Sunday Bible Class 9:30 AM Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 AM Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM (We LIVESTREAM Services and Bible Study on Facebook Live) Imagine that you are a fellow in Suffolk, England. You have been plowing along, and, as you plow, you hit a box. You bend down and dig around the box. You open the box, and in it you find gold and silver and pewter dishes from the Roman era. Would you be excited? Of course, anyone would.

We are always excited by stories of treasure. I think Jesus knew that, and so our today's two parables are parables about wonderful treasures.

It would seem that Jesus may have been concerned that His disciples will have a misunderstanding of the nature of the kingdom. They may be tempted to see the kingdom as primarily a group of rules, things that are demanded of the believer. They may fail to see the kingdom as a wonderful privilege that fills the life of the believer with joy. Each of these parables is but one sentence long, three verses in total.

The first parable is the parable of the hidden treasure. It was not at all unusual in the first century A.D. for someone to hide money in a field. One could hide his money in his house, but, when marauders would come through, one might get driven out of his house, and the marauders would take that money. One could invest the money but he might lose it. The safe place was a hole in the ground.

The man in our story is a sharecropper. He has been farming his rented field. As he plowed the ground, he hits something, a box full of money. He digs a hole, buries it again, goes, takes all that he has, and buys the field so that the field will be his.

The second parable is the pearl of great price. This time the parable of heaven is likened to a merchant seeking fine pearls. Upon finding one pearl of great price, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. The man was merchant, likely a wholesaler. It is the word from which we get our English word emporium. He has spent his whole life looking for these wonderful pearls. He finds the prettiest one that he has ever seen in his whole life. He sells all that he has and invests everything that he has in this single wonderful pearl that he intends to keep his whole life long.

In a way, the parables are about sacrifice. But really there is no sacrifice at all because two men in the parables are getting something that they value more than what they are giving up. They give up all their possessions to get this wonderful treasure.

The Christian faith, the kingdom, is an adventure and a treasure. Jesus wants His audience to see that. Being a disciple of Jesus is not just a bunch of dumb rules. One must see the treasure which makes living life a joy. It is not about drudgery at all. It is joy.

Dr. Michael Moss

September 1 - Hiram & Nina Rebholz

September 3 - Kelly & Genny Gibbs

September 5 - Sonny & Phyllis Williamson



September 2 -Phyllis Williamson September 4 - Jerry Lemley September 5 - Mark Carpenter September 6 -William Delancey September 7- Breann Sams



- OVU College Welcome Night TO-NIGHT, Multi-Purpose Room. Please bring a dish or dessert
- Elders and Deacons meeting will be September 9 due to the Labor Day Holiday
- Tuesday Ladies' Bible Class begins this Tuesday September 3. 10-11 AM in the Multi-Purpose Room
- Friday Night Sings: Wellsburg and West Union, WV
- Ice Cream Social September 15 in the Parking Lot

Young at Heart's annual Wiener Roast will be held Saturday, September 21, 2019 at 5:00pm at the home of Gary & Brenda Carothers on Butcher Bend Road in Mineral Wells. Bring side dish, dessert, drinks, and lawn chairs. Hot dogs provided. Also, we will collect items for Family Crisis Center: Bleach, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, or Trash Bags. We need you to put your name on the sign-up sheet if you're planning to attend. Thanks! John Eckhart

PRAYERS PLEASE

Judy Beckett is in Camden Clark 132

Debbie Edelbluet (Judy Beckett's niece) requests our prayers at this time



Debbie Brady (Mary Lamp's sister) was scheduled for basal cell cancer surgery yesterday

Marie Cooper is in Worthington for rehab

Troy Miller had a successful knee surgery but is now experiencing a lot of pain and undergoing rehab



Sunday, September 1, 2019 10:30 AM

TODAY'S ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Opening Hymn(s)/Welcome Opening Prayer Lord's Supper Preparation Hymn/Remarks

Lord's Supper Celebration

Hymn Before the Sermon Scripture Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Sermon: "A Young, Exciting Church" (Text: Acts 2:46-47)

Speaker: Michael Moss

Invitation Hymn Announcements Closing Prayer/Dismissal

<u>Attendance & Contribution</u> (Week of 8/25/2019)

Sunday Bible Class:107Sunday AM Worship:167

Sunday PM Worship: 86

Wednesday Bible Class: 84

Contribution: \$4,032.00

Sunday, September 1, 2019 6:00 PM

EVENING SERVICE

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:3-8

"Quantum Breaks and Clean Slates"

Speaker: Marcus Stenson

ALSO REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Our Homebound Members:

Ron & Jo Kress Laura Menear Gladys Frohling Becca Simons Jim Hart Glenna Radcliff Pat Williamson Residents:Edna Cain(The Willows Rm 115)Marie Cooper(Colonial House)Lola Hitzel(Wyngate Rm 159)Eva Leonhart(Love & Care Rm 23)Jerry Page(Eagle Point Rm 334)Peggy Smith(Edgewood Manor of Lucasville Rm 607)Myra Zinn(Cedar Grove Rm W60)

Our Long Term Care

Our Military:

Chris & Melanie Depuy U.S. Air Force (son of Jeff & Julie Depuy)

Brad & Amber Gibbs U.S. Navy (grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs)

Chad Williamson U.S. Marines (grandson of Pat Williamson)

Anthony Worst U.S. Marines (nephew of Michelle Hershman)

Sunday Sunday SEPTEMBER PRIVILEGED TO SERVE 9/8 AM 9/8 PM **Visitor Table:** Song Leader **John Eckhart Jay Houser** Shirley Gilchrist Prayer **Ushers**: **Kelly Gibbs** Mike Hale Chuck Jones*, Mike O'Dell, Zack Jones **Table Speaker Jack Long Dwain Hartley Communion Table (Front):** Jeff DePuy, Gary Grimm, Keith Jones, Ron Table Assist **David McCullough** Jim Taylor Grizzard Scripture Reader **Communion (Rear): Rick Kellar Jeff Poling** Zack Jones, Mike O'Dell, John Garner, John Closing Prayer/ Lamp, Max Rebholz, Randy Craig **Terry Garner** Jerry Lemley Announcements