

Enough Evidence to Convict?

Sunday, July 9, 2023

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by Doug Kashorek

Your reputation precedes you. That can be either good or bad, depending on how you've been known and how you've previously conducted yourself. But, even though Jesus from age twelve *"increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man,"* He still had a difficult time being accepted in His hometown when began His public ministry.

I discovered this when I began to preach full-time at the church where I had been known for the previous five years as a new Christian and an English teacher. It was much easier being accepted in the preacher's role here at 36th Street after twenty-three years of ministry in another place. But that too was all part of the reputation that preceded me.

Some may have Jesus' hometown problem if your neighbors, friends, and even your brothers and sisters in Christ have known you since you were young. Timothy, whose faith was instilled in him by his mother and grandmother, may also have had that struggle in his work in Ephesus because Paul told him, "Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity" 1 Timothy 4:12.

But, what about someone like Saul who had ravaged the church in Jerusalem and rooted out Christians from house to house and had headed to Damascus to arrest any followers of Christ that he found? Ananias and the disciples there were well-aware of his reputation and were understandably wary of his conversion.

Saul's fruit, however, overcame his reputation. From persecutor to proclaimer, Saul soon proved himself by proving that Jesus is the Christ. Because he had confounded the very ones who had at first cheered his coming, the ones he had come to bind with ropes lowered him from the city wall by ropes to keep him from being killed.

An old adage asks, "If you were accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?" This doesn't point to how you're sitting on the premises but standing on the promises. So, is there?

<u>MINISTER</u> Doug Kashorek (M-Th. 8am-2pm) Office Hours

ELDERS Terry Garner Jim Shuman

DEACONS

Randy Craig John Eckhart John Garner Chuck Jones Jerry Lemley Dan Mincks Jim Taylor

SERVICE TIMES

<u>Sunday</u> Bible Class 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Evening 6:00 PM

<u>Wednesday</u> Bible Class 7:00 PM

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our prayer list



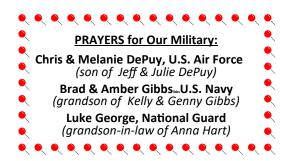
Judy Curkendall John Morehead

Deloris Newberry (John Eckhart's sister) Angel Smith/baby Grace (neighbor of Patty Lemon) Aaron Wigal (son of Scott and Linda Wigal)

Our Long Term Care Residents:

(full addresses on foyer bulletin board) Betty Armstrong– The Pines at Glenwood Apt 124 Edna Cain The Willows room 115 Lola Hitzel Rockland Ridge room 301 Eva Leonhart Eagle Point Room 339 Peggy Smith - Altercare of Summit Acres Unit home B room 15A

<u>Homebound:</u> Laura Menear, Betty Logan, Helen Sweeney, Phyllis Williamson, and Fred and Martha Nulter



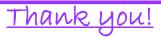
Celebrate

Birthday and Anniversary

7/9—Joe Carrico birthday

7/14—Janetta McClure birthday

7/15—Roger Inmanbirthday Kathy Mincks birthday



I appreciated the pretty cards for my 88th birthday. Thank you, Paul McDaniel

Thank you for my birthday cards and wishes. I really appreciated all. Judy Kibble

Thank you for the cards, well-wishes, and kind words for our anniversary and John's birthday!

John & Shirley Eckhart

The Centennial committee is looking for those that have had multiple generations of family attending here throughout the years, to draw up their family tree. We have placed large sheets of paper on the foyer table to help with this. See Doug with any questions.



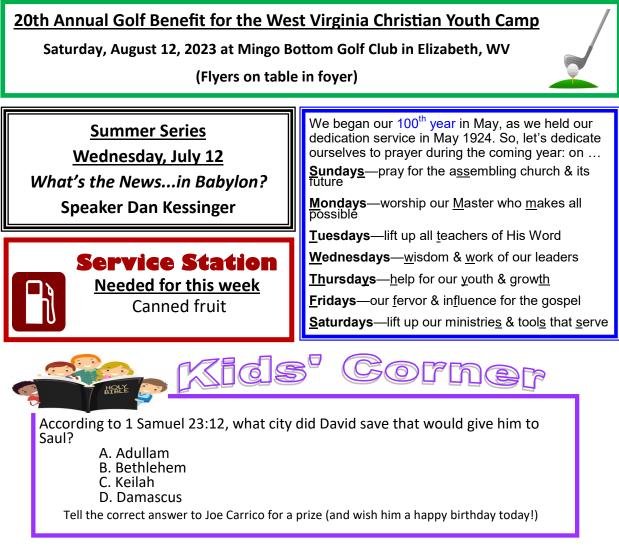
Would you like to send a card?

You may place cards in the basket by the Deacon's desk & we will mail them out. Extra cards are also there for your use.

WTAP – Sunday mornings at 7:30 AM



- June, July and August
 —Summer Series at Camden Avenue every Wednesday evening at 7PM (flyer on bulletin board)
- July 10 (Mon) Leadership meeting in MPR at 7PM
- **July 13 (Thurs)**—Centennial meeting in MPR at 7PM
- July 5-26 (Wed)
 —Summer Series at North End every Wednesday in July (flyer on bulletin board)



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.

	Privileged to Serve		
Sunday, July 9, 2023 10:30 AM		<u>7/16/2023</u>	<u>7/23/2023</u>
	Song Leader	C Doyle	Jeff Shuman
TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE	Welcome/Prayer	J Taylor	Jim Shuman
Opening Song	Table Speaker	J Shuman	T Garner
Song Leader: Jay Houser	Read Scripture	R Hoover	T Cramer
Welcome & Opening Prayer Duane Smith	Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
	Closing Prayer	T Garner	J Carrico
Song After Prayer	Evening Services		
	Song Leader	S Mason	J Shuman
Song Before Communion	Welcome/Prayer	J Garner	D Mincks
Table Speaker: Kelly Gibbs	Read Scripture	J Poling	S Mason
Scripture Reading: Rick Kellar Acts 9:20-22	Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
	Communion	F Newberry	K Gibbs
ACI3 9.20-22	Closing Prayer	T Garner	J Carrico
Speaker: Doug Kashorek	<u>Ushers</u>		
"Is Not This the Man?"	Head Usher	J Lemley	J Lemley
Invitation Song Announcements & Closing Prayer: Joe Carrico	Usher 1	J Poling	J Poling
	Usher 2	M Hale	M Hale
		<u>7/19/2023</u>	7/26/2023
	Welcome	T Garner	J Carrico
	Opening Prayer	J Taylor	T Cramer
6:00 PM SERVICE	Song Leader	K Gibbs	S Mason
Song Leader: Jay Houser			
•	Attendance & Contribution Week of 6/25/2023		
Welcome Prayer: John Eckhart	Sunday AM Bible Study: 64		
Scripture Reading: Scott Wigal	Sunday AM Worship: 115		
Psalm 32:1-2	Sunday PM Worship: 73		
Speaker: Doug Kashorek	Wednesday Bible Study: 87		

Contribution: \$5,706.10

Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

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

Speaker: Doug Kashorek "Whose Sin is Covered"

> PM Communion Jerry Lemley

Announcements / Closing Prayer: Joe Carrico