

NORTH END CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 2, 2025

Sunday Morning Worship - 9:30 am
 Bible Classes - 10:45 am
 Sunday Evening Worship - 6:30 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm

1301 West Virginia Avenue
 Parkersburg, WV 26104

Office: 304-422-0489 Preacher's office: 304-422-0567
 Fax: 681-588-0238

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Web: www.northendchurch.com
 Email: churchofchristnorthend@gmail.com



Revenge by Mark Aites

The desire for revenge is an ugly emotion. It blinds us with hatred and poisons our souls. And often it is not that one wants to even the score, but to inflict even greater harm upon the one who committed the wrong. But in truth, the one to whom the greater damage is done is the one who harbors that bitterness and desire to hurt in their hearts.

Paul's exhortation in Romans gets right to the heart of the matter. "Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, 'Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,' says the Lord. Therefore 'if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (Rom. 12:19-21).

Quite often these passages are quoted but brethren don't realize that verse 21 is the point of the thought. There is a great danger of being overcome by evil. The spirit or desire for revenge blinds us to any thoughts of love and compassion. It is replaced by the most evil of thoughts of injury or even murder.

The Law of Moses instructed with the concept of "an eye for an eye" (Exod. 21:23-24). But Jesus took that thought in the Sermon on the Mount, and said, "But I tell you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also" (Matt. 5:39). And in that same context goes on to talk about the need to love our enemies (Matt. 5:43-48).

One would expect to find such a bitter sentiment of the desire for revenge among worldly-minded people. But when it is found among God's children, it is terrible. We are supposed to be people of love, known for our brotherly love (John 13:34-35). As long as such a sentiment of bitter revenge is harbored in a person, the fruit that is born will be ugly and detestable in the sight of God.

Area Events

Men's Inspiration Day: March 1st, Norval Park Church of Christ, Zanesville, OH, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Youth Events

2025 Monday Night Merge: Feb. 3, North End Church of Christ, 7:00 pm

Youth Rally: March 7 & 8, North End Church of Christ March 7, 6:30 pm, March 8, 8:45 am

Traveling Youth Group: March 30th, Hopewell Church of Christ, Washington, WV, 6:00 pm

Midwest Youth Rally: April 25 & 26, Fishing-er Road Church of Christ. Theme: God is



WTAP- Sunday, 7:30 am

Feb. 2 - Seed In Our Hearts
 Feb 9 - Healthy Christianity

OUR GROWTH FOR 2025

Baptisms.....
 Request for prayers, Restored.....
 Placed Membership.....

Our Record	Jan. 26	Average 2025
Sunday AM Worship	155	138
Sunday Bible Class	125	120
Sunday PM Worship	107	87
Wednesday Bible Class	99	95

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY AM	Feb. 2	Feb. 9
Announcements	Berry	Grose
Song Leader	Smith	Clark
Opening Prayer	Dean	Kerns
Scripture	C. Miller	D. Jones
Lord's Supper	Ferrebee	Lyons
Usher - Auditorium	Duncan	Hoschar
Usher - Foyer	Kirby	Da. Miller
Usher - Security	Ja. Eaton	McHenry
P.A. System Audio	E. Kupfner	Ferrebee
P.A. System Video	McIntire	Heaney
Pick up cards	Miller/Vaughan	Duncan/Vaughan
Pick up cards	Duncan/Ware	Miller/Drummond
Door Greeters	Mathers	Egnor
SUNDAY PM	Sun. PM	Sun. PM
Announcements	Ullom	Vaughan
Song Leader	Smith	Clark
Opening Prayer	Hinzman	Merrill
Scripture	Hoschar	E. Kupfner
Closing Prayer	Cooper	Ja. Eaton
Lord's Supper	Kidder	Meredith
Door Greeters	D & S Kupfner	J. Kupfner
WEDNESDAY	Feb. 5	Feb. 12
Announcements	Ullom	Vaughan
Song Leader	Vaughan	Aites
Opening Prayer	Ullom	Vaughan
Invitation	Aites	Butterfield
Door Greeters	Malone	C. Miller

If you are unable to serve call Dave Butterfield at 304-482-8917

*Those serving as ushers, PA and pick up cards are only shown on AM, they are the same for PM & Wed.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Logan Cascell (grandson of Mark & Liz Berry)
 Chance Gordon (grandson of Ken & Parma Heaney)
 Chandler Hamilton (grandson of Jeff & Mary Smearman)
 Allen Hardbarger (nephew of Ruth Dickson)
 Tyler Lipscomb (grandson of Jeff & Mary Smearman)
 Nicholas Linville (grandson of Jim Kerns)
 Andrew Miller Jr. (grandson of Curtis Dickson)
 Nate Ruble (son of Patty Ruble)

MISSIONS

North End
 Panama
 Mission

Andy Robison
 West Virginia School
 of Preaching

Jon Hescht
 Aidan Klingler
 West Virginia School
 of Preaching

Chris
 Haguewood
 Greenville, OH

Search TV
 Edmond, OK

Dalraida Church
 of Christ
 Chimala

Mike Tincer
 Seth, WV

Aldrin Peter
 Anson Paul
 family
 India

Clemente
 Rosales
 Panama

Dan Kessinger
 Kenya, Africa

Prayer List

Our Members

Karen Blair
Nick Berry
Ann Butterfield
Richard & Eva Cook
Curtis & Ruth Dickson
Jeanette Dyer
Sheila Eaton
Fran Egnor
Van & Ronnie Ferrier
Connie Kirby
Ethel Mathers
Helen May
Lana McFee
Becky Petty
Joan Petty
Leonard Shears
Kim Snyder
Mary Rose Talbott
Barb Walker
Debby Warne

Family & Friends

Ike Boggs (*Ullom*)
Wanda Burks (*Malone*)
Larry & Philip DeFreitas (*DeFreitas*)
John Elliott (*Dickson*)
Robbie Hancock (*Hoschar*)
Brenda Johnson (*Malone*)
Joyce Jones (*Shockey*)
Elias Michael (*Michael*)
Kelly Poiani (*Ullom*)
Jeff Romine (*Egnor*)
Cinda Rinard (*Cox*)
Pat Rine (*Cooper*)
Gary & Loretta Sawyers (*Shockey*)
Brent West (*West*)
Nazareth Church of Christ (*Hofmann*)
Grace Whitney (*K. Parker*)

Remember In Prayer

Parma Heaney has a torn meniscus in her knee. She is waiting for a MRI and surgery to be scheduled.

Helen May is in Worthington Healthcare Center room W-7.

Sympathy: We extend our sympathy to David Cooper at the death of his uncle Dennis Cooper. Dennis passed away January 28th at the age of 94.

Robbie Hancock, friend of Adam Hoschar, will be starting chemotherapy treatments soon. He has been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma.

Kelly Poiani, daughter of Joan Petty and sister of Cheryl Ullom, is not doing well and is in need of our prayers.

Brody Ullom, grandson of Jim and Cheryl Ullom, dislocated his knee cap during a wrestling match.

Early Wood County Ministers and Churches

Dave Butterfield has compiled information about ministers and churches in Wood County from the 1800's

Dr. Peter D. Moore: Dr. Moore, who lived in Wadesville, had a large practice as a physician. He found time to preach in Wadesville, Rockport, and Lee Creek while also serving as an elder. He helped begin a congregation in Parkersburg that eventually became the Christian church.

Jesse Blevins and Levi Jones: Both were born in 1848. When Jones visited the Lee Creek congregation he found Blevins sharing the pulpit with two others. The two took on the task of preaching in tandem in Jackson and Wood County. Blevins assisted Jones with the preaching at Hopewell especially. Unfortunately Blevins died at age 44 of consumption. Levi eventually retired to Ohio to live out his last two years.

Daniel Ward: Daniel was born in 1848 in Wood County. He married Samantha Ullom (any relation to Jim?). His obituary said he preached for 65 years. In the 1870's he preached in Vienna and Rockport. Dan was an early elder at the Ingold Chapel church where he built a pond near the building for baptisms. Ingold Chapel is just a little ways past where the Meredith's, Kupfner's, and Duncan's live in the Lost Pavement area. The family eventually moved to Kansas, but relatives still worship at Ingold Chapel which were associated with Ward's Market in the area.

Announcements

Attendance Cards: Members, fill out a tan attendance card. Visitors, fill out a blue card. Please pass them to the aisles.

Sermons: The titles of Mark's lessons for today are AM: "We Have An Answer" PM: "I Am Resolved"

Opportunity Cards: Group One will pick up opportunity cards today.

Group Three: All members of Group Three will meet *today at 5:00 pm* to plan activities for this year. Please meet in the multi-purpose room.

Group Two is asked to sign the birthday and anniversary cards located in the foyer.

Monday Night Merge: North End will host Monday Night Merge for area youth on February 3rd at 7:00 pm. We will serve snacks following the event. We ask that you provide cookies, brownies, chips, and drinks. These can be brought in today and placed in the kitchen

Men's Breakfast: All men are invited to meet for breakfast at Mary B's restaurant on Garfield Avenue on Tuesday, February 11th at 9:00 am.

Valentine Dinner: Our annual Valentine Dinner will be Saturday, February 15th at 6:00 pm in our multi-purpose room. The cost will be \$15.00 per person. There will be a choice of entrée this year, spaghetti with homemade meatballs or chicken fettuccini. We will have appetizers, salad, bread, and desserts. *Please sign the list in the foyer and indicate what entrée you would like.* You can give your money to DeDe Cook or Eydie McIntire.

Thank You: To our fellow Christians, Thank you so much for your cards, gifts, and phone calls. Most of all we thank you for your prayers for our recovery from Covid. We are still not up to par we have good days and bad days, so please continue to pray for us. In Christian love, *Ruth & Curtis Dickson*

Group Leaders: All group leaders will have a meeting on Sunday, February 16th at 5:00 pm in our multi-purpose room.

Elders

Mark Berry
Kevin Grose
David Hamm
Randy Meredith
Harvey West

Elder Meetings

February 3rd - 4:00 pm
February 16th - 5:00 pm

Deacons

Dave Butterfield
Ron Cook
Harley Cox
John Duncan
Jamey Eaton
Ken Grose
Ken Heaney
Jim Kerns
Josh Kupfner
Dan Lyons
Steve McIntire
Dennis Miller
Jim Ullom
C.J. Vaughan

Minister

Mark Aites
304-422-0567 - Office
mark6302@gmail.com

Secretary

Eydie McIntire
Notary Public
304-422-0489 - Office
churchofchristnorthend@gmail.com

Today's Scripture

AM ~ Acts 27:22-25
PM ~ 1 Corinthians 15:58