

Jennings Road Church of Christ 1124 Jennings Road, Van Wert, OH <u>www.jenningsroad.org</u> Pastor David Ray, Jr. May, 2017

Fisher Of Men May 2017 Sermon Series

Peter is just like you and me: just going about our life, then we meet Jesus. Suddenly, EVERYTHING is turned upside down! We've followed Mr. Open Mouth, Insert the Other Foot from his writings later in life on Noah, to his life with Jesus where he meant well but often said the wrong thing. This month, we are going to follow Peter after Jesus has come back to life and gone back to heaven...leaving Peter in charge. What does Peter get to tackle?

The nature of sin, sexism, and racism (the last one being his own acts of!). What can we learn from the early journeys of a young Christian leader that will help us in our daily goal of being holy as God is holy?

May 7

Fisher of Men

Acts 2:38

Peter, the lifelong fisherman, is about to give his first sermon. Remember when Jesus promised if they'd follow he'd make them fishers of men? He did. How big was his catch? THIS BIG. (You knew that was coming!) What was it about untrained Peter that allowed him to change the lives of thousands for the better? And can we do the same?

May 14

The Living Dead Acts 9:36-43

Anyone that has stood by the casket of a loved one knows the finality of that moment. Unless Peter is around, obviously! Peter is summoned to visit a nearby town where a beloved servant of God has died, and they want him to bring her back to life. (Oh, is that all?) As amazing as that was, the testimony of all who knew her stands out on this Mother's Day about the potential impact we can have on those in need.

May 21Those PeopleActs 10:23-34

Peter spends time praying, gets hungry, and dreams about food. Sound familiar. Except it's a message from God about being racist. Whoa! Thankfully, as Christians, we aren't racist at all. Right?

May 28

Face, Meet Door

Acts 12

Peter gets arrested (shame on him!) and God actually breaks him out! (I'd watch that episode of Prison Break!) When Peter sneaks over to where the church is, wait until you see the reaction he receives. When life isn't fair and you pay a hefty price for doing what God calls you to do, how do you react?

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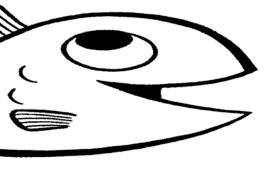


Summer is coming and the youth is available if you need help around the house or if you just have a pool you want us to test out. If you are interested please reach out to Josh.



Mark your calendars for our Spaghetti Dinner – Sunday, May 7th from 5 pm – 7 pm! This fundraiser is a big part of our youth fund to cover trips like Spirit Song Fest @ Kings Island and much more! Please make plans to join us for all you can eat spaghetti! Tickets are \$7 & you can purchase from any of the Youth. Kids preschool and younger are free!

This May, Children's Church will be learning about Big Fish Stories in the Bible. We will be discussing Jonah and the whale, Jesus feeding the 5,000, and the fishermen who caught too many to pull into the boat and more.



Summer will be here before you know it and that means church camp! Make sure you sign up early and don't miss out. Many Youth activities coming this summer such as campfires, Spirit Song Fest, movie nights and much more!



Western Buckeye Christian Camp

Just an hour's drive southeast of Van Wert, you will find another mission outreach supported by JRCC. The Western Buckeye Christian Camp is located near Houston, Ohio, and for many years, our church has been both a supporter and participant in the work that takes place there. Founded in 1949, the WBCC hosts summer camps for students K-12 with an emphasis on fun and learning in a Christian environment as they plan activities that will introduce kids to Christ and help those who know Him to mature in their faith. It is also available for Christian retreats, and is constantly attempting to upgrade its facilities to accommodate as many of the needs of the churches and their congregations as it can. We've had many of our youth and adults attend, assist, and teach at the camp, and hundreds of kids coming from a large area have benefited from the ministry that takes place there under the directorship of Dan Roberts.

The financial support of the Jennings Road Church of Christ with organizations such as the Western Buckeye Christian Camp is another way of introducing the Gospel to those outside of our own community that we might not otherwise have had the opportunity to reach.



(Thank you to Keith Langdon for this "Ministry Spotlight"!)



Prayer Requests & Praises

Pastor Dave – health Rosie Miracle - health Jerry Miracle - health Jerry Smith - health Christian Niece – cancer Jenny Glaze – health Donna Klinger – Lupus Wilma Peterson – Parkinson's disease Marie Ray – health Walt Kuhlhorst – health Carol Thomas – Parkinson's disease Codie Ramos – health Tera Kapangama – healing from surgery All cancer Patients Unspoken prayers...

Jeffrey Kinner – Navy – San Diego, CA Josh Ray – Marines – Camp Lejeune, NC Ryan Munoz – Marines – San Diego, CA Please remember all military men, women, Veterans and their families!



Please let Anita Searl know of any changes needed to the prayer request list. Thank you!



Birthdays

- 8 Johnna Roberts
- 8 Debbie Jessee
- 11 Carl Bledsoe
- 12 Belinda Springer
- 20 Greg Roberts
- 20 Stuart Ramos

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- 22 Trina Langdon
- 22 Breese Bollenbacher

May/							
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Day! Remember Mother's Day – Sunday, May 14th!



2017 Western Buckeye Christian Service Camp Dates Senior High (going into grade 10-13) June 25-30 Junior High (going into grade 7-9) June 4-9 Junior (going into grade 4-6) June 11-16 Heart Start (going into grade 2-3) June 18-21 Alpha Bits (going into grade K-1) June 22-23 & July 2-3

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Pastor:David Ray, Jr.Elders:Keith Langdon

Earl Bledsoe

Matt Langdon

<u>Ministry Leaders:</u>

Music/Worship: Administrative: Maintenance/Servers: Financials: Hospitality:

Matt Langdon Anita Searl Greg Roberts Johnna Roberts Jamie Ramos Deb Bledsoe

We Believe...

...that Jesus Christ is the one and only Son of God, who died for our sins and rose from the dead. 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 3:16

...that the Bible is the inspired Word of God - a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path. 2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:105

...that every person has worth in God's eyes, and that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. **Romans 3:23**

...that forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life are available to those who trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. John 3:16

...that those accepting Christ should repent of sin, confess their faith, and be baptized by immersion into Him. Romans 10:9; Acts 2:38

...that the church is the body of Christ on earth, empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring the lost to Christ and the saved into a nurturing relationship with Jesus.

Ephesians 4:1-16

The Jennings Road Church of Christ exists to glorify God by turning unchurched people into fully devoted followers of Christ.

May Serving Schedule

Communion Meditation

5/7	Dave Ray	5/7	Bernie
5/14	Matt Mills	5/14	Earl
5/21	Matt Langdon	5/21	Rosie
5/28	Stuart Ramos	5/28	Belinda

<u>Greeters:</u>

5/7 Ramon & Rosie 5/7 Roger / Deb Denae & family 5/14 Rick & Lisa 5/14 5/21 Lorraine & Brenda Denae & family 5/21 5/28 Stuart & Jamie 5/28 Bianca & Johnathan

Nursery: Sunday School/Worship Service

Fully equipped nursery available. Staffed as needed. For questions, please see Deanna Ray.

Toddler Room

Prayer Room

<u>Cleaning</u>

5/7	Danielle Ray
5/14	Bianca Young
5/21	Lorraine Langdon
5/28	Bernie Poling

Communion Prep for May:

Celia & Drake

Servers for May :

Doug, Drake, Stuart & Greg

<u>Helpers</u>:

Candy Clay, Dalton Hines, Rick Hines, Drake Hitchcock, Derrin Kuhn, Chad Kraner, Johnathon Young