REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

Sunday	10:00 am	Bible Classes
	11:00 am	Worship
	5:00 pm (first Sunday of the month only))Singing
Wed.	6:00 pm	Bible Classes

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are so glad you are here. If this is your first time with us, here's what to expect. We seek to worship according to the New Testament pattern. As a result, we **sing** without the accompaniment of mechanical musical instruments (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16). We have a weekly observance of the **Lord's Supper** (cf. Acts 20:7) which consists of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine (Matt. 26:26-29). This memorial is designed for those who have been baptized for the remission of sins to partake (Acts 2:38, 42). There will also be an **offering** collected from our members (1 Cor. 16:1-2). As our guest, you are not expected to make a donation. You will also hear the **preaching** of a Bible-centered message (Acts 20:7) and men leading the congregation in **prayer** (1 Tim. 2:8). We think you will find our worship meaningful and refreshing as we strive to do it in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). We encourage you to observe carefully and stay a while afterwards so that we can get to know you better and answer any questions you may have.

Elders: Chris Clark

Steve Doss

Steven Reynolds

Deacons: <u>Harold Bradshaw</u> (Young Adults & VBS)

Cole Clark (Worship/Tech./Bldg & Grnds)

Tyler Curry (Safety & Security/Bldg & Grnds)

Edd Sterchi (Outreach/Benevolence/Youth)

Minister: Edd Sterchi office (270) 465-6851

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION RECORDS

	2024	Last	1
	Goals	Week	yr ago
Bible Study Sun AM Sun PM	60 80 40	38 55	45 71
Wed	45	35	39
Contribution	1950	933	872

Broadway Church of Christ



May 26, 2024

Four Things Missing in Heaven

In Revelation chapters 21 and 22, we read a lengthy and lovely description of heaven. The language is designed to stir our hearts, arouse our interest, and to cause us to desire to go there no matter what the cost. But in studying these two chapters, it is evident that at least four things are missing in heaven, and it is also evident that they are missing by God's design. God does not want them there! God will not allow them to be there!

- * No Sin (Rev. 21:27; 22:3) Sin cannot breach the gates of heaven. Sin will have been left for hell.
- * **No Sickness** (Rev. 21:4; 22:2) Sickness will be a thing of the past. In heaven we will be in perfect and permanent health.
- * **No Sorrow** (Rev. 21:4; 22:14) Sorrow will be gone forevermore. Blessedness and joy will reign through eternity.
- * No Separation (Rev. 21:24-25; 22:5) Once heaven is entered, there will be no separation ever again. We'll be with God and the saved always!

- Andrew M. Connally (condensed)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Prayer List</u> * Paxton Bloyd * Richard Coffey (lymphoma) * Riley Decker (leukemia) * Tom Doss (cancer) * Mildred Eastridge * Jack Flippin (cancer) * Jaxson Gass (neuroblastoma) * Becky Gatewood (cancer) * Wilma Landis (cancer) * Eli Marcom (brain tumor) * Rhonda McFarland * Susan Morris (throat cancer) * Ricky Page * Lindsey Parson Scarborough (colon cancer) * Al Watson (stroke)

Medical Updates

- * Maurice Cheatham was scheduled for surgery on his wrist last week, but it was postponed due to some heart concerns. He will be seeing a cardiologist.
- * Jack Flippin's health seems to be declining some.
- * Richard Harden remains in Jane Todd Crawford Hospital in Greensburg for rehabilitation. He is now receiving medication that is hoped will improve his ability with therapy. He is in room 122.

Vacation Bible School Information

- * <u>VBS Meeting</u> There will be a short VBS meeting after this morning services. Please stay and give your input.
- * VBS Dates Our VBS will be June 19-21 in the evenings from 6:30 8:00 p.m. (EST). There will be refreshments served each evening beginning at 5:30 p.m. We will also have a picnic gathering on Sat., June 22 at the Tailwaters pavilion at Green River Lake beginning at 5 p.m.
- * <u>Sign Up Sheet</u> There is a sign up sheet on the table in the foyer. <u>Please sign up as soon as possible</u> to volunteer.
- * <u>Flyers</u> There are flyers advertising our VBS on the table in the foyer. Take as many as you can hand out or post.

Singing & Fellowship meal Next Week

Just a reminder that our monthly evening song service followed by a fellowship meal will be **next Sun.**, June 2 beginning at 5 p.m.

Birthdays This Week

In Like a Lion, Out Like a Lamb

We've all heard the phrase concerning the month of March: "In like a lion, and out like a lamb." This refers to how March often starts out with some of the winter elements in it, but by the time April rolls round, the weather is much more pleasant. However, I did not use this phrase as a title concerning March but concerning Jesus Christ.

In Revelation 5:5-6, we read John's inspired words: "But one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals. And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain..." Did you notice that Jesus is not only referenced to as the "Lion of Judah" but also as "a Lamb"? These symbols are significant concerning us understanding just who Jesus is.

As a lion, Jesus is majestic and strong. And just as the lion is referred to as "the king of the jungle", Jesus is King of kings (Revelation 17:14; 19:16). A lion is courageous and confident of his power and does not run from any foe or danger. The same is true of Jesus – He has ultimate power and utilizes it most effectively. The lion is also noted for its dreaded ability to crush and consume. In like fashion, Jesus has crushed all enemies including Satan, death, and the grave (Revelation 1:18).

As a lamb, Jesus is pure and innocent. And just as we equate a lamb with newness of life, Jesus not only has that within Himself, but can grant that to us (Revelation 2:11, 17; 21:27). A lamb is docile and obedient. So was Jesus while He was upon the earth – He remained perfectly obedient to the Father's will. And, of course, a lamb was a proper sacrificial animal under the Old Testament regulations. In like manner, Jesus the Lamb lived perfect, pure, and sinless while upon the earth and thus became the perfect sacrifice for sinful mankind (Revelation 7:14; 12:11).

Jesus came to the earth and courageously demonstrated His majesty and might revealing Him as King. But He ended His life on the earth pure and innocent, obedient to the Father's will, being sacrificed for us. In like a Lion, out like a Lamb! Praise be to Jesus!