

Sunday, June 25, 2023

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God's Chosen Instrument

by Doug Kashorek

Just as in Job 1-2 or Luke 22:31 when God pulls back the spiritual curtain a little to let us know what has transpired backstage, we glimpse God's plan for Saul in the conversation He has with a disciple, Ananias. There, we find out that Paul will become "a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel" Acts 9.

By this we discover that Saul didn't just choose this work; the Lord decided how He would use him. And, we find out that the work He's prepared the one who would become Paul would be extensive and far-ranging. All this is for a man who, "breathing threats and murder," had recently done "much evil" to the saints in Jerusalem and was now in Damascus to do the same—as Ananias points out.

As the adage says, "If God brings you to it, He will bring you through it." Though Saul was at the time following his own evil path to success, God had been preparing him (Acts 22:3) for the work He had reserved for this "chief" of sinners when he would one day repent. And He's been preparing you too through the people and experiences He's put in your path for the work He's reserved for you to do since creation (Ephesians 2:10). In other words, you too are God's chosen instrument!

We like to hear that. We all need to believe that our lives have purpose, and we aren't just random accidents breathing air and leaving a carbon footprint. But ... we might not like to hear what Ananias was told next about Saul: "For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

Though Jesus said His followers would be hated because He was hated (John 15:18-25), we hope to avoid as much of the world's wrath as possible. Thus, to minimize potential suffering we become lukewarm fence sitters. As a "chosen instrument," Paul was fully committed to Christ and accepted any suffering to gain the reward (Philippians 3:7-11). Shouldn't we?

MINISTER 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

Sunday Bible Class 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday
Bible Class 7:00 PM

FACEBOOK

36th Street Church of Christ (Public Page)

36th Street Church of Christ (private Group)

our prayer list

Judy Curkendall Linda Butterfield Wanda Darnold Elsie Smith Karen Hoover



Pat Hill John Morehead Nina Butterfield

Norm Harris (Grand Central Church of Christ)

Sherry Morgan (niece of Angie Kashorek)

Deloris Newberry (John Eckhart's sister)

Donna Brandyberry (Sabrina Simms mom)

Angel Smith/baby Grace (neighbor of Patty Lemon)

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







Birthday and Anniversary

6/26—Austin Simms birthday

6/27—Pam Kellar birthday

6/30—Paul McDanial birthday

7/1—Jaylah Jones birthday

Thank you

We want to thank everyone for their prayers for our great-grandson, Lucas Coss. He is doing well now.

Tom and Nina Butterfield

I wanted to thank my church family for all the birthday cards and anniversary cards. Joe and I have such a loving church family.

Thanks again,

Joe and Gina Carrico

Summer Series

Wednesday, June 28

What's the News...with Joshua?

Speaker Marvin Greene

Special Singing Service on Sunday July 2 for both AM and PM services.

"Live in the Freedom Christ Gives You"



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.



- June, July and August Summer Series at Camden Avenue every Wednesday evening at 7PM (flyer on bulletin board)
- **3 July 2 (Sun)** —Church cookout immediately following evening services
- July 3 (Mon) —Leadership meeting in MPR at 7PM
- July 5-26 (Wed)—Summer Series at North End every Wednesday in July (flyer on bulletin board)
- July 8(Sat)—Breakfast at Redwood Restaurant

20th Annual Golf Benefit for the West Virginia Christian Youth Camp

Saturday, August 12, 2023 at Mingo Bottom Golf Club in Elizabeth, WV

(Flyers on table in foyer)



Youth Events



Don't forget about the different church camps going on this summer. Registration forms and packets are on the bulletin boards. See Doug if a "campership" is needed.



Service Station

Needed for this week

Canned Tuna and Canned Fruit

Church Cookout

Sunday, July 2 after evening services

Hot dogs, hamburgers, buns and ice cream provided. Bring your favorite side dishes, drinks, desserts and ice

Don't forget a chair!

cream toppings.



Which of Saul's sons warned David that his dad was trying to kill him, according to 1 Samuel 20:33?

- A. Abner
- B. Michal
- C. Jonathan
- D. Ish-bosheth



Tell the correct answer to Pam Kellar for a prize (and wish her a happy birthday this week!)

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.

Sunday, June 25, 2023 10:30 AM

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Song

Song Leader: Jeff Shuman

Welcome & Opening Prayer
Dan Mincks

Song After Prayer

Song Before Communion

Table Speaker: Tom Butterfield

Scripture Reading: Gary Grimm

Acts 9:13-16

Speaker: Doug Kashorek

"A Chosen Instrument of Mine"

Invitation Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Joe Carrico

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song Leader: Kelly Gibbs

Welcome Prayer: Jim Shuman

Scripture Reading: Fred Newberry

Psalm 31:3-5

Speaker: Doug Kashorek

"Into Your Hand I Commit My Spirit"

PM Communion

Jerry Lemley

Announcements / Closing Prayer:

Joe Carrico

Privileged to Serve

| | 7/2/2023 | 7/9/2023 |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| Song Leader | J Eckhart | J Houser |
| Welcome/Prayer | T Butterfield | D Smith |
| Table Speaker | J Carrico | K Gibbs |
| Read Scripture | G Grimm | R Kellar |
| Speaker | D Kashorek | D Kashorek |
| Closing Prayer | T Garner | J Carrico |
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Evening Services

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| Song Leader | J Eckhart | J Houser |
| Welcome/Prayer | D Kashorek | J Eckhart |
| Read Scripture | F Newberry | S Wigal |
| Speaker | J Eckhart | D Kashorek |
| Communion | J Taylor | J Lemley |
| Closing Prayer | T Garner | J Carrico |
| | <u>Ushers</u> | |
| Head Usher | K Gibbs | K Gibbs |
| Usher 1 | J Shuman | J Shuman |
| Usher 2 | R Hoover | R Hoover |
| | 7/5/2023 | 6/21/2023 |
| Welcome | J Carrico | D Kashorek |
| Opening Prayer | J Kelley | D Mincks |
| Song Leader | J Shuman | M Hale |
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Attendance & Contribution Week of 6/18/2023

Sunday AM Bible Study: 78
Sunday AM Worship: 124
Sunday PM Worship: 63

Wednesday Bible Study: 78

Contribution: \$3,756.63

Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

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