

Prayer Concerns:

- Please pray for Edna, in the ICU with sepsis and CDiff
- Diann and Libby Miller travelling to Ecuador
- Praise that Cowboys for Christ ride went well
- Pray for Donita, Willie's brother's wife, whose cancer has returned
- Praise that Randy (Kim's son) is still cancer free!
- April– finished radiation, begins new injections this Friday
- Jan– pray for friend Jeff, who broke both heels after falling off of a truck

Collecting Bottle Caps!- The Brethren Retreat has begun collecting bottle caps with the goal of having a park bench made from caps collected. See the bulletin board for more info!

Riverside Christian School in Lost Creek, KY is trying to purchase a different building that will be safe from future floods. They need to raise \$350,000 for this, and have raised about \$100,000 so far. If you feel led to contribute, you can send a check to Riverside Christian School, P.O. Box 1, Lost Creek, KY, or you can give online at www.riversidechristian.org.

Livestream Event!- The World Missionary Press's World Prayer Center is hosting a Voice of the Martyrs livestream event called "Hearts of Fire", which will feature several women who have experienced persecution firsthand. The event will be held Friday, July 14th at 7pm. For ticket information, see the poster in the Fellowship Hall, or the insert in today's bulletin!

Pray for our campers this week!

Abigail Balon and Allijah Keever are going to Fuel Camp!

Mail can be sent to them at:

Brethren Retreat Center, 9095 W 275 N
Shipshewana, IN 46565

Worship in the Park!

**Sunday, June 25th,
10:15am**

**Today's Message:
Tent Town Tension – John 7**

Pastor Jeff Estep

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Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

We are glad you're here! If you are a guest with us, we invite you to join us each Sunday at our church, at the corner of 3rd and Clinton Streets in New Paris. Our Sunday School begins at 9am, followed by Worship at 10:15!

Calendar:

Tuesday, June 27th– Official Board Meeting, 6:30pm

Wednesday, June 28th– Prayer Warriors in Fellowship Hall, 7pm

July 5-13– Pastor Jeff and family on vacation

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Monday, June 26th– Doyle Weaver

Thursday, June 29th– Aaron Estep

Friday, July 7th– Keirsten Miller

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Wednesday, July 5th– John & Shannan Wessler

Last Week's Attendance: Sunday School– 31 Worship– 48

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" - Psalm 122:1

Sermon Notes:

**June 25th, 2023–
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Welcome and Announcements–

Entering with Worship– The Praise Team
Indescribable
The Well

Scripture & Prayer– *John 11:25-26*

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

Message– *Tent Town Tension*
Pastor Jeff Estep

Responding in Worship– The Praise Team
My Jesus
Glorious Day
Amazing Grace

Closing Prayer

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box on the front of the park stage
Leading Worship Today– Megan Long

There were three types of people in the crowds of Jerusalem: scoffers, questioners, and _____.

Why is Jesus Christ so divisive? Two reasons:

He claimed to be the only _____ to heaven.

Jesus reminds us there is a standard, and we _____ it.

The important _____ is, “Are you thirsty?”

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– John 5:1-18 **Monday–** John 6:25-40

Tuesday– Haggai 2:1-10 **Wednesday–** John 7:1-13

Thursday– John 7:14-24 **Friday–** John 7:25-39

Saturday– John 7:40-52

Upcoming Sermons:

July 2nd– Scattered– Ezekiel 5-6– *God foretells that His people will be scattered to the wind, not simply as punishment, but in order to purify His people. This, we learn, is the real purpose of exile.*

July 9th– *Guest Speaker Larry Baker, former pastor of South Bend First Brethren Church, and leader in the Midwest Region of the Brethren Church.*

July 16th– *The Glory Leaves the Temple–* Ezekiel 8 & 10– *Since Moses’ time, the glory of God dwelled in the Holy of Holies of the place He chose for His Name to be worshipped. But because of the people’s wicked idolatry, Ezekiel saw God do the unthinkable– abandon His dwelling place!*

Indescribable

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your Majesty
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring
Every creature unique in the song that it sings, all exclaiming

Chorus:

*Indescribable, uncontainable,
You know the stars in the sky and You call them by name
You are amazing, God!
All powerful, untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God*

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go?
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light?
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom!

The Well

I bought into the lie and I spent all my gold
When I feel half alive how will I ever be whole?
And I bartered my dreams for glitter and smoke
I was rich as a king but my heart was broke

Chorus:

You are, You are the well, You are the well that never runs dry (2x)

I followed my heart but it led me astray
I should not have gone but I went anyway
Now I find myself here all battered and bruised
I was chasing the wind but I should have been chasing You
Oh I should have been chasing You

Here in the desert, out in the wasteland, nothing but sand and stone
There is a river, there is a fountain deep enough for every soul
Deep enough for every soul

My Jesus

Are you past the point of weary? Is your burden weighing heavy?
Is it all too much to carry? Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
Do you feel that empty feeling? "Cause shame's done all its stealing
And you're desperate for some healing, let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

Chorus:

*He makes a way where there ain't no way, rises up from an empty grave
Ain't no sinner that He can't save, let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
His love is strong and His grace is free
And the good news is I know that He
Can do for you what He's done for me, let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And let me Jesus change Your life
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, amen, amen*

Who can wipe away the tears from broken dreams and wasted years?
And tell the past to disappear? Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And the wrong turns that you would go and undo if you could
Who can work it all for your good? Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

Who would take my cross to Calvary? Pay the price for all my guilty?
Who would care that much about me? Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." - John 7:37-38

Glorious Day

One day when heaven was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men, my example is He
Word became flesh and the light shined among us, His glory revealed

Chorus:

*Living He loved me, dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified, freely forever
One day He's coming, oh glorious day, oh glorious day!*

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose over death He had conquered
Now He's ascended, my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him
The grave could not keep Him from rising again

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with His glories will shine
Wonderful day, my Beloved One bringing, my Savior, Jesus is mine!

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see

Tw'as grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come
Tw'as grace that brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day." - John 6:35-39