

## ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY

- **Lads to Leaders**-Today at 4 PM at the building
- **Singing Emphasis/Dessert Fellowship**: Tonight– Evening Services (Ladies in Charge: Sharon Loy & Susan Hartman) For those attending, please bring a snack, dessert, or drink
- **Elders & Deacons Meeting**-Tuesday January 7th at 6 PM at the building
- **Bowling at Compton Lanes**-Friday January 17th at 6 PM
- **Lads to Leaders**-Sunday January 19th at 4 PM at the building
- **Teachers Meeting**-Sunday January 26th at 5 PM at the building
- **Youth Fellowship at Dairy Queen**– Sunday January 26th after Evening Services

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mark is teaching a class on the book of Matthew on Thursday mornings at 10 AM
- We will be collecting money for gift cards to provide for our college students. Money for gift cards can be given to Karen Seyler.
- There is a sign up sheet on the back table for the One Day Lectureship Luncheon.

One Day Lectureship-Sunday January 12th

### **2020 Vision**

**Bible Study:** “A Clear Vision of Sin” -Ben Jones

**Worship:** “A Clear Vision of Salvation” -John Keith

**Afternoon:** “A Clear Vision of Service” -Terry Jones

**Elders:** Raymond Anderson, Lafe Hutcheson & Stan Williams

**Deacons:** Gene Wright, Don Riffle, Robbie Nichols, & Robbie Buffington

**Minister:** Mark Jones      Phone: (304) 842-6738

# Bridgeport Church of Christ

January 5, 2020

## **Be Patient**

This writer’s taste buds can almost nearly always generally distinguish instant potatoes from real mashed potatoes. The imposter can be tolerated, but the real is preferred. However, time constraints may make the real a less-real possibility for some meals. There is peeling, cutting, rinsing, boiling, mashing, adding milk, butter, salt and pepper, then more stirring that has to be done in order to make real mashed potatoes. It is a time-consuming process.



Mark’s record of Jesus calling the disciples at the Sea of Galilee says, “Now as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men” (Mark 1:16, 17). Notice that little bit of additional information that Mark gives: “to become.”

Jesus did not promise these men instant discipleship capabilities. He evidently had a lengthy training process in mind for them. Even after three-plus years of instruction and in-the-field training, Jesus could say, “I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now” (John 16:12). Their “fishing” abilities were still being enhanced.

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## **Sunday Worship**

**Bible Study 9:30 am    Worship 10:30 am**

**Evening Worship 6 pm**

**Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm**

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Some of us who made resolutions to make spiritual improvements in the New Year may already be seeing challenges to those plans. Some may doubt whether they are going to be able to make any progress at all. One of those fishermen mentioned above instructed us to add "...to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness" (2 Peter 1:6). The word, "patience," means "cheerful (or hopeful) endurance" (Strong's). Brothers and sisters, be patient (persistent) and you will be blessed (2 Peter 1:8). Real improvement takes time.

-J. Brooks Boyd Jr.

### Our Record: December 29



Sunday Morning Assembly

81

Sunday Bible Class

43

Sunday Evening

35

Wednesday Bible Study

36

Contribution (Budget \$4,000)

\$3,310

### January Birthdays & Anniversaries:



**3**-Barry Buffington **5**-Evelyn Griffin/ Karen Seyler **7**-Phoebe Jones **8**-Samuel Jones  
**9**-Jacob Hartman **11**-Stan Williams **12**-Michaela Hutcheson **21**-Megan Jones **22**-Lafe & Lorna Hutcheson (A) **23**-Xavier Seyler **27**-Kelly Shreves

### Prayers- Those of Our Congregation

- **Our shut-in's: Helen Potts & Brenda Fortney**
- **Jackie Moore**
- **Debbie Mowbray**-Health Issues
- **Loverine Pigott**-recovering from shoulder surgery
- **Judy Garner**
- **Sarah Palmer**-Cards can be sent to:  
125 Jefferson St. Bridgeport, WV 26330
- **Louise Kelch**
- **Gene Wright**

### Prayers- Family & Friends

- **Mike Yost**
- **Ester Lewis**-home bound.
- **Brandie Garner**-Maintenance Medication
- **Kay Burnett**-metastatic breast cancer
- **Karen (Sharon Loy's Cousin)**-Liver & Colon Cancer
- **Mary Coffman (Brandie Garner's Grandmother)**
- **Faith Eagle**
- **Daniel Alois**-In bad car wreck on July 4th
- **Roberta (Raymond's Sister)**
- **Jones Family (Co-Worker of Jessica Kerns)**
- **Jay Bagwell**-health complications from chemo
- **Andrew Kelly**
- **Dorothy Daugherty (Vicki & Beth's Mom)**-  
pancreatic cancer-Starts Chemo this week  
Address: 3483 Union Rd. Philippi, WV 26416
- **Heidi Adams**-4 years old and going through chemo
- **Susie Myers (Cindy Buffington's Cousin)**- fell and broke both arms
- **Becky Britton**-Total knee replacement
- **Jerome Axton**-had surgery on the 17th.
- **Betsy Yeager**-Broken arm
- **Charlie Compton**

*(If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin- Please email or write it down and give it to Jessica Kerns before Thursday of that week: bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com)*

January Card Distributor: Micah Nichols

January Baptismal Garments: Cindy Buffington

January Greeters - **5**-Need Greeter **12**-Need Greeter **19**-Need Greeter **26**- Need Greeter