

# Sunshine Church Of Christ



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Sunday, July 21, 2019

## Elders

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| Rich Book    | 820-3213 |
| Don Coriell  | 464-9994 |
| Jon Coriell  | 820-6145 |
| Wayne Gampp  | 820-3444 |
| Tom Kelley   | 259-2258 |
| Shaun McCray | 935-9701 |

## Deacons

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| Dewey Cordle  | 820-4624 |
| Gabe Coriell  | 820-8652 |
| Josh Coriell  | 981-6717 |
| Rick Coriell  | 935-0717 |
| Ryan Coriell  | 357-5933 |
| Shawn Gragg   | 820-5346 |
| Dale Kuhn     | 820-4690 |
| Aaron Kallner | 285-0738 |
| Eric Miller   | 820-4944 |
| Eugene Risner | 820-2256 |
| Mark Risner   | 820-2948 |

## Pulpit Minister

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| Dr. Jon Partlow | 716-8741 |
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## Family Life Minister

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| Jamie Riley | 935-7812 |
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## Youth Minister

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| Tim Gampp | (606) 356-3345 |
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!!In Mark 8:22-26 Jesus heals a blind man. The short narrative has an interesting twist to it that has confused readers for centuries. In short, Jesus' healing appears to have failed. In his first attempt to heal the blind man, he can see but everything is blurred (similar to me walking around without my contacts or glasses). Attempting again to heal the blind man leads to the full healing we expected all along.

The seemingly botch healing for Jesus on the first try is disturbing. Did he have a power failure? Did Jesus experience a faith crisis? Was the faith of the blind man responsible for Christ's inability to heal? Bible students have struggled to understand this healing. But it's also possible that Mark left a couple of clues to understand this miracle.

The first clue is a second healing of a blind man in Mark 10:46-52. Blind Bartimaeus calls to Jesus by both his personal name and Messianic title, Son of David, and begs for healing. While the crowd tries to quiet the man, Jesus calls for the man to come to him. The request is made for healing and Jesus graciously complies. He heals Bartimaeus just like we expect.

The two blind men stories seem to be bookends to a section where Jesus is traveling from Caesarea Philippi (i.e. a city 55 miles northeast of Galilean territory) to Jerusalem. So the "failed" attempt by Jesus to heal the blind man is placed before Peter's confession of Jesus in the Gentile city of Caesarea Philippi and the "successful" healing occurs in Jericho before Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Both stories seem to hold this section together and thus need to be read together.

The second clue is contained between the two healing stories. Three times Jesus predicts his crucifixion. In each situation the 12 fail to see what Jesus is saying leading Jesus to reteach the disciples (see Mk. 8:17-38; 9:30-37; 10:32-45).

What is clear is how blurry eyed his 12 disciples are when it comes to the mission of Jesus. Either they push back on his prediction or they're consumed by their own agendas. Thus, the bookend stories are as much about the disciple's inability to see spiritually as it is about a blind man unable to see physically. The second healing is the hope for the disciples that their vision for Jesus has been corrected.

Our vision for Jesus osculates between being crystal clear and blurry-eyed; sometimes we see Jesus clearly and other times we're squinting to make out an image. When we embrace humble service and reject authoritarian power, we see Jesus clearly. When we act through encouragement instead of through criticism, we see Jesus clearly. When we forgive instead of harbor anger, we see Jesus clearly. When we love and pray for our enemies instead of retaliating against them, we see Jesus clearly. When we are driven by compassion because defining "neighbor" has nothing to do with proximity and location, then we see Jesus clearly. When we speak our words with loving kindness instead of venomous cruelty, we see Jesus clearly. And when we finally see Jesus clearly, the world will see Jesus.

*Soli Deo Gloria!*  
(i.e. only God is glorified!)



## **Prayers For Sunshine Family**

**Penny Ball** Please pray surgery was successful and for a quick recovery. She is currently at Best Care for Physical Therapy. Rm#79

**Lois Boggs** (Kelly Gampps mother) Please continue to pray for her recovery.

**Cindy Coriell** under doctor's care.

**Jim Dixon** (Vanessa Coriell's grandfather) pancreatic cancer is spreading.

**Sarah Gilliland** is back at Hillview Rehab.#213.

**Garnet Lindeman** ongoing health concerns.

**Jeff Pinkerton** Please pray his upcoming jaw surgeries will be successful, with complete healing.

**Angie Storms** Please pray for her healing.

## **Special Members**

**Judi Allison** Elbrooke room #535

**Esther and Gene Crisp** Riverbend #123.

**Helen Hayward** home bound.

**Ruth Morris** Best Care room #10.

## **Prayer Requests**

**Robin Book** (cousin to Jon C., Rich B., and Price G.) is fighting cancer.

**Derek Brothers** in California preparing for deployment.

**Pat Carr** (Jamie Forbes' Mom) diagnosed with early onset dementia.

**Mark Villinger** please pray for a successful job search.

## **Expecting Mothers**

Mary Henry—10/22



**7/26-30 Honduras Family Trip**  
**8/17 School Supply Giveaway**  
**9/15 Giving Day**

## **Sunday Morning Live Streaming:**

<http://media.sunshine-church.com> or  
<http://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

## **Ray of Hope**

*A one minute spiritual inspirational message  
Airing on The MIX 99.3 WNXT • Weekdays  
7:20-7:25 am and anytime from 2:00-6:00 pm  
(enjoy a repeated message on Saturdays anytime from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm)*

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## **Welcome To All of Our Guest**

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

## **Gluten Free Communion Available**

We have gluten free communion available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You can simply pick it up before the services or on your way into the auditorium.

## **Elders Meeting Together**

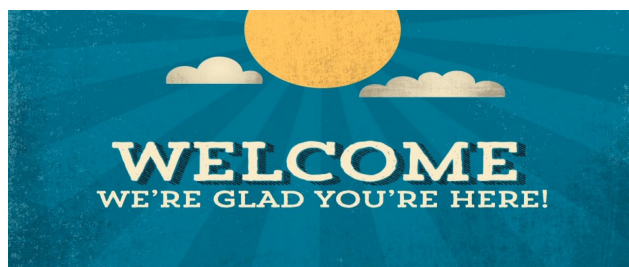
**July 2019**

**Meetings:**

**Sunday July 28**

**Prayer Session:**

**Thursday July 25**



## Finance Meeting

There will be a financial meeting with Aaron and Eric for those who have or intend to spend the Church's money, especially those who have credit cards. Anyone who has an interest in church finances or anyone who is interested in helping with church finances is encouraged to attend. The meeting will be Sunday, August 4, after the AM services in Jamie's office.

## SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY

Sunshine will be having a school supply giveaway for the community on August 17. We will be collecting any type of basic school supplies that students need. The students will have the opportunity to build a backpack the day of the giveaway. We will provide a list of needed donations with more details soon.

**Shelby and Sam Williams**. The address for the new Mr. and Mrs. Williams is 1743 Kevin St. Ironton, OH 45638.

**Katie Jones** - New address: 44 Susan Lane, Martinsburg, WV.25404.  
Best Wishes Katie! We will miss you!

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The God Who Will Provide

*A Sermon Series Beginning Today*



## **Hey Sunshine FYI:**

### **Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort, Inc**

CoCDRE immediately responds to any major disaster in the continental US by sending truckloads of emergency food, water, cleaning and other supplies to disaster victims through a local congregation in or near the area of the disaster. The value of materials being provided by this ministry are totaled well over 5 million dollars.

Sunshine began its involvement with CoCDRE following the flood of 1997. They provided food, household appliances and many other needed materials to Sunshine for distribution to struggling people here in our area. Since that time, the Sunshine congregation contributes \$250/monthly to CoCDRE to help others in their time of need.

For more information: [www.disasterrelieffort.org](http://www.disasterrelieffort.org)

## Education Quarterly Meetings

**Mark the date! The Education Committee invites ALL Sunshine educators to attend our quarterly meeting on the following Sundays:**

- ♦ **September 1**
- ♦ **December 1**
- ♦ **March 1**
- ♦ **June 7**

**We will be meeting in the annex starting at 5:00 pm. Refreshments will be served!**

## **Family Bible Time**

### **Week 30 Text:**

July 21—Lesson 267 1Thess.3-4

July 24—Lesson 268 1 Thess.5 & 2 Thess.1

### **Week 31**

July 28—Lesson 269 2 Thess. 2-3

July 31—Lesson 270 Review

# Those Who Serve

| <b>Sun. Morning</b> | <b><u>7/21/2019</u></b> | <b><u>7/28/2019</u></b> | <b><u>8/04/2019</u></b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Welcome             | Wayne Gampp             | Tom Kelley              | Shaun McCray            |
| Midservice Prayer   | Justin Spengler         | Sam Williams            | Jordan Book             |
| Communion           | Gabe Coriell            | Josh Coriell            | Rick Coriell            |
| Reading             | Jordan Book             | Jared McCray            | Eric Miller             |
| Closing Prayer      | Jeff Vanetta            | Dusty Henry             | Jason Coriell           |
| <b>Sun. Evening</b> | <b><u>7/21/2019</u></b> | <b><u>7/28/2019</u></b> | <b><u>8/07/2019</u></b> |
| Song Leader         | Zach Coriell            | David Deacon            | Shawn Gragg             |
| Reading             | Greg Ferrell            | James Hallam            | Dusty Henry             |
| Communion           | Ira Coriell             | Gabe Coriell            | Ryan Coriell            |
| Assist              | Garris Coriell          | Levi Coriell            | Dale Kuhn               |
| Prayer              | Paul Jacobs             | Mike Gampp              | Jim Jacobs              |
| <b>Wed. Evening</b> | <b><u>7/24/2019</u></b> | <b><u>7/31/2019</u></b> | <b><u>8/07/2019</u></b> |
| Song Leader         | Rich Book               | Shawn Gragg             | Greg Ferrell            |
| Prayer              | Mike Coriell            | Lonnie Hollback         | Zach Coriell            |

## Regular Service Times

### Sunday

Early Worship - 8:15 am

Late Worship - 10:00 am

Bible Study - 6:30 p.m

### Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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## New Building Project:

Beautify and update first impression of facility from highway • Repair dry-rotted window and flooring • Modernize and update bathroom facilities • Open foyer to create more space for greeting and fellowship • Reduce congestion for entering and exiting the building • New doors and security • New paving for parking area • COST: \$750,000



Have a wonderful day! :)