

Sunshine Church Of Christ



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Sunday, April 12 2020

Elders

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Jon Coriell	820-6145
Wayne Gampp	820-3444
Shaun McCray	935-9701

Deacons

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
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Eugene Risner	820-2256
Mark Risner	820-2948

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Family Life Minister

Jamie Riley	935-7812
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Youth Minister

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Israel was sent into exile. Their rebellious behavior – not only toward God, but also against the Babylonian Empire – forced Nebuchadnezzar's hand. While the Babylonian king had tried to avoid playing the "exile" card, his other moves failed to squelch their resistance. When "enough was enough," he marched his troops into Jerusalem. He razed the city, burned the temple and exiled the Judean residents to Babylon.

If the world can be turned upside down in one moment's time, being exiled to Babylon was it. Questions were raised and the struggle for faith ensued. Was God impotent and finally lost the battle to the other gods? Were all the promises of God merely "*hevel*," like a futile attempt to grasp mist? How will religious faith be expressed without the temple and sacrifice? The void of all they knew and understood could probably be summed up in their own Psalm of lament, "How can we sing the songs of the Lord while in a foreign land?" (Ps. 137:4).

When Peter wrote to the Christian community he chose classic Jewish language at the outset of his letter to describe his church. They were elected and chosen by God just like Moses told Israel (Deut. 14:2). But more importantly, Peter picked up on the captivity language that had been woven into the Jewish mindset to apply to the church. His two key words are strangers (NIV), to which the RSV translates as "exiled." Also, he drops "diaspora" which the NIV translates "scattered" and the RSV says "dispersed." While the use of "exile" is clear enough, "diaspora" was the word used to describe Israel having been dispersed/scattered throughout the world because of the exile.

The church in exile. That's Peter description. We live in a place we don't really belong. We're aliens. People look at us with suspect because we don't quite fit in. And while we're being model citizens and good neighbors, his call for us to live holy lives (1 Pet. 1:15) runs counter to the rest of the world, who look at us in wonder. And when the world is anti-Jesus and anti-church, our refusal to lean against the world but lean into the attacks compounds their confusion (1 Pet. 2:19-23).

We feel the exile today, though for very different reasons. Because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, everyone is being forced to limit our activity and stay home. Many businesses have closed or have laid off employees. Foot traffic is limited. Money flow has slowed and in some places stopped. Social distancing has driven a society even further apart in loneliness and isolation

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Prayers For Sunshine Family.

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Lia & Addilynn Coriell

They are doing well. They are continuing with therapy at home to help with their recovery. Please continue prayers for them and their family.

Peggy Hollback Please continue prayers for her.

Norm & Faye McGinnis Please continue prayers for them.

Derek Miller Please continue prayers as he goes through chemo treatments.

Please Pray For
Healing for all those suffering with the Flu

Special Members

Judi Allison Elbrooke Room#535

Esther & Gene Crisp Riverbend Room#123

Sarah Gilliland Hillview Room#213

Helen Hayward Homebound

Ruth Morris Best Care Room#10

Prayer Requests

Derek Brothers Please pray for his safety, and for Taylor and Lilly while he is away.

Pat Carr (Jamie Forbes Mom) Please continue prayers for her and her family.

Larry Hawkins (Sharon Gampps brother) Please continue prayers for him and his family.

Gene Picklesimer (Kelli Sparks dad) He has been moved to SOMC ICU, but is in stable condition at this time. Continued prayer is requested for him and his family.

Prayers for the people in Nashville, Tenn.

Expecting Mothers

Vanessa Coriell - 4/27

Meaghan Miller - 5/6



05/22 Sunshine's Senior Banquet

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>

<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>



Welcome To All of Our Guests

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 bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You may simply pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

Elders Meeting Together

April 2020 Meetings:

Sunday April 12 & 26

Prayer Session:

Thursday April 23



Please Pray for People Everywhere!

For I want you to understand what really matters, so that you may live pure and blameless lives until the day of Christ's return....

Philippians 1:10

While we cannot meet together as a congregation,

we are asking that you please plan to join us for on-line services.

Sunday Morning @ 10 AM

Sunday Eve. Class @ 6:30 PM

Wednesday Eve. Class @ 7:30 PM

The Class Scripture's to be discussed are posted in the "Family Bible Time" section of the bulletin.

Hi! How are you?

Take a moment during your day to call and check on a friend. It's always so nice to hear a familiar voice of someone that you know and love.

Please stay safe and healthy.

We hope to see you soon!

Church Camp 2020

Howell's Mill Christian Assembly

In Ona, W Va. (Huntington)

Sunshine's week is July 26-July 31

Register by Apr.21 to receive the Early Bird discount!

Register online @ www.howellsmill.org

Please see Shaun or Lisa for more info.

Directly Affected Group Meetings

Monday Evenings 6:00 PM @

Sunshine Church of Christ

*** Please Note: The DA Meetings**

held here at the building are postponed at this time due to Covid-19 Virus Threat.

Sunshine Missions

Mid Western Children's Home Donations:

The April Item is Peanut Butter

*We are also collecting food to help feed the kids while school is closed, such as:

Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti (easy open lids)

Microwaveable Macc. & Cheese

Ramen Noodles

Individual bags of chips, cookies, crackers,

Applesauce or Fruit Cups

Jars of Peanut Butter

Cereal Bars

Individual Serving Boxes of Cereal

*Items may be dropped off at the Minford

Prim.School Office or Sunshine Church

Building, Monday-Friday 8-4.

Thank you all so much for helping!

Quarterly Education Meetings

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

♦ June 7



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

Family Bible Time

Week 68 Text:

April 12 Lesson 343 1 Corinthians 15-16

April 15 Lesson 344 Acts 19:21-20:2

Week 69 Text:

April 19 Lesson 345 2 Corinthians 1-2

April 22 Lesson 346 2 Corinthians 3-4

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	04/12/2020	04/19/2020	04/26/2020
Welcome	Shaun McCray	Rich Book	Don Coriell
Midservice Prayer	Mark Gamp	Jason Foster	Justin Spengler
Communion	Aaron Kallner	Eric Miller	Eugene Risner
Reading	Mark Risner	Eric Meredith	Tim Gamp
Closing Prayer	Jason Coriell	Jeff Vannatta	Jason Foster
Sun. Evening	04/12/2020	04/19/2020	04/26/2020
Song Leader	Zach Coriell	Zach Coriell	Jarod McCray
Reading	Mike Gamp	Paul Jacobs	David Deacon
Communion	Jared McCray	Steve Williams	Mike Gamp
Assist	Dusty Henry	Sam Williams	Paul Jacobs
Prayer	Frelon Sparks	Jim Jacobs	Gabe Coriell
Wed. Evening	04/15/2020	04/22/2020	04/29/2020
Song Leader	Jon Coriell	Shawn Gragg	Wayne Gamp
Prayer	Rich Book	Wayne Gamp	Mike Coriell



Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 pm

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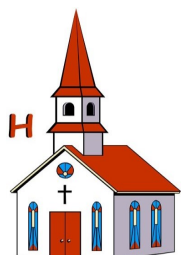
REFOCUSING ON JESUS

Churches are far from immune. The “exile” feeling has kept us away from each other, except for those few churches standing against common sense in the midst of a pandemic. Experiencing worship and teaching has moved on line while we engage each other with words without faces. Assembly time not the same, and we know it. It’s creating a deep longing to be together and in the void we wonder what Israel wondered long ago, “Where are you, God?”

When Ezekiel witnessed the vision of God as the “wheel in the middle of the wheel (Ex. 1:1-3:15),” God was answering Israel’s deepest question. Ezekiel was part of the Exiled. At age 30 he should have begun his ministry as a priest in Jerusalem’s temple. Instead, God called him to a prophetic ministry. Imperative to his calling was God’s presence. God never stayed behind in Jerusalem while Israel was exiled. No. He moved to Babylon with them. He’d sit with them. He’d mourn with them. He’d continue to call them back to him. He’d listen to songs they sang in the foreign land. So if God’s presence was real during Israel’s exile, where do you think he is during our “feelings of exile”?

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

CHURCH
In Exile



Have a wonderful day! :)