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In Matthew's final judgment scene (25:31-46) Jesus separates the sheep from the goats. The sheep/righteous responded to the plight of Jesus, while the goats/ all others ignored the pain Jesus suffered. Neither group actually saw Jesus, so they sought clarification (25:37,44). "Whatever you did (or didn't do) for the least of these, you did (or didn't do) for me" (25:40,45). Jesus identifies with the poor and the suffering. So when we see someone hungry, we feed them because we see Jesus as the one hungry. When we realize someone is thirsty, we offer a drink of water because we see Jesus as thirsty. When we practice hospitality for a stranger, we open our hearts and home because we see Jesus as needing shelter. When we see someone "naked," we dress them because we see Jesus as the one needing clothes. When the sick need care we provide assistance because we see Jesus battling an illness. When we know someone is behind bars, we visit as if Jesus is the one in jail.

The seriousness of caring for those who are hungry, thirsty, homeless, naked, sick, and in prison seem to be a heaven/hell issue. If we choose to ignore the plight of the "poor" (as defined by those who are hungry, thirsty, etc.), then when we face Jesus upon his return the outcome is far from promising. While culture does influence the passage, especially with hospitality and imprisonment, the truth of this passage speaks to Christians caring for people pushed to the margins of society. Jesus expects his people to show compassion and empathy by demonstrating concern for the poor.

Talking about helping the poor is always easier – even though it's politically charged – than stepping up to demonstrate compassionate and empathic concern. While opening our hearts to the biblical story is the first step, the second is to open our hearts to the people in our community. Once that happens, the possibilities are endless.

- Reading a book about American poverty or addiction helps opens our eyes to see the biblical story clearer. Reading articles from the perspective of the marginalized helps understand their world better. Such information removes the caricature and paints an accurate picture of poverty.
- Each month Sunshine collects canned food and supplies to send to the Midwestern Children's Home.
- At the beginning of every school supplies are collected and given to children who cannot afford to purchase themselves. By late fall Sunshine begins collecting monies to supply winter coats to children who do not have a coat.
- When COVID closed our schools we helped supply snacks and food for the Minford schools who delivered them to students at risk.

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Prayer Requests

Esther Crisp Please continue to pray for her.

Dave Hallam Please pray for his healing.

Mr & Mrs Glispie (Gary's Parents) Please give them peace and comfort. And bless the family as they care for them.

Kenny Gragg (Shawns Dad) He will be having open heart surgery April 28. Please keep him in your prayers.

Peggy Hollback Please continue praying she will be blessed with better health.

Candy McClintic Please pray she'll recover quickly from her recent knee surgery.

Janine Morris Please continue to pray for her strength and healing.

Margaret Reed Please keep her in your prayers for healing.

Kim Woods (Gary Glispie's Sister) Please continue to pray for healing.

**Send a Card, Make a Call
Share some kindness with a Friend.
Freely given they will Smile,
But you'll feel better Most of All!**

Judi Allison Elbrooke Room #535

Esther & Gene Crisp Randall Res. #123

Sarah Gilliland Hillview Room #213

Helen Hayward Homebound

Ruth Morris Best Care Room#10

Please pray that God will heal our country and protect us from the Evil One.

*** Directly Affected Group are meeting at the New Boston Community Center each Monday Evening at 6:00-7:00 if you need a ride to attend - call 614-928-0552.**

Elders Meeting Together

Prayer Session:



**WELCOME
Children's Bible Time Today**

**Teen Devo Today
5:30 @ the Church Building**

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, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, pick up your gift just for being our guests today.

Thank you for coming. Please come back!

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.



We Are Glad You Are Here!

SUNSHINE CHURCH of CHRIST

We Invite You To Join Us
Sunday Morning 10:00 AM
Sunday Eve. Class 6:30 PM
Wednesday Eve. 7:30 PM

**You may also call 855-565-7670
to hear the lessons by phone.**

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**Sunday Evening Lesson**  
**Matthew 8: 1- 4**  
**Wednesday Evening Lesson**  
**Matthew 8: 5 -13**  
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Sunshine's Week is July 11-16
@ Howells Mill Camp
To Register Online:
<https://howellsmill.org/summer-camp>
OR there are Registration Forms posted
on the bulletin board beside the office
door.
If you have questions about camp,
Please contact Shaun & Lisa McCray.
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**The April Item to be donated to**  
**Mid Western Children's Home is:**  
**Canned Soup**  
**Thank you Everyone!**  
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The Red Cross will conduct a blood
drive here on July 27, 11:00-4:30. If you
are able please consider giving that day.
More details will be provided at a later
date.
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**The steadfast love of the Lord never**  
**ceases; his mercies never come to an**  
**end; they are new every morning;**  
**Great is your faithfulness.**  
**Lamentations 3:22-23**

### **Matthew 8: 1-4**

**(Jesus Heals A Man With Leprosy)**  
**When Jesus came down from the**  
**mountainside, large**  
**crowds followed him. A man**  
**with leprosy came and knelt**  
**before him and said "Lord, if**  
**you are willing, you can make**  
**me clean."**

**Jesus reached out his hand**  
**and touched the man. I am**  
**willing," he said.**

**"Be clean!" Immediately he**  
**was cleansed of his leprosy.**  
**Then Jesus said to him, See**  
**that you don't tell anyone.**

**But go, show yourself to the**  
**priest and offer the gift**  
**Moses commanded, as a**  
**testimony to them.**

**Have A Great Day!**

### **Family Bible Time**

**Can you complete the following**  
**line, spoken by the disciples:**

**"What manner of man is this?"**

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**Matthew 8:27**

# Those Who Serve

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| <b>Sunday Morning</b> | <b>04/25/2021</b> | <b>05/02/2021</b> | <b>05/09/2021</b> |
| Welcome               | Jon Coriell       | Wayne Gampp       | Shaun McCray      |
| Midservice Prayer     |                   |                   |                   |
| Communion             |                   |                   |                   |
| Reading               |                   |                   |                   |
| Closing Prayer        |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Sunday Evening</b> | <b>04/25/2021</b> | <b>05/02/2021</b> | <b>05/09/2021</b> |
| Song Leader           | Service Online    | Service Online    | Service Online    |
| Reading               |                   |                   |                   |
| Communion             |                   |                   |                   |
| Assist                |                   |                   |                   |
| Prayer                |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Wed. Evening</b>   | <b>04/28/2021</b> | <b>05/05/2021</b> | <b>05/12/2021</b> |
| Song Leader           | Service Online    | Service Online    | Service Online    |
| Prayer                |                   |                   |                   |



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

**Wednesday** Bible Study - 7:30 pm

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[sunshinecofc.church](http://sunshinecofc.church)

- Sharon Hallam has assembled "survival" kits for the homeless filled with snacks and personal hygiene supplies.
- A local organization, Hoodies for the Homeless, collects sweatshirts and fleece blankets to distribute to the homeless of Portsmouth. It's a simple way of helping others while purging your own closet at the same time.
- At the Portsmouth Burger King one or two homeless people are usually at the corner seeking help. When going through the drive through, it's not difficult to order a couple of extra burgers to give to them.
- A couple of years ago a Canadian high school chorus who presented a concert to Sunshine and needed homes for the student. Sunshine stepped up to the need.
- As you're enjoying your meal at your favorite restaurant, someone is bound to walk in that you know needs you to (secretly) buy their meal for them (see also Dairy Bar hungry promise).
- Before COVID shut down our facilities a small group of members met once a month to feed the Narcotics Anonymous members a spaghetti dinner, fully funded from their own pockets. Even in COVID the Directly Affected has asked for help to fund dinners for their meetings. Directly Affected comprise of teens whose parents are addicts.
- Remember outreach ministries like Hope for Haiti, Breaking Chains in Honduras or the many crisis pregnancy organizations like Elizabeth's Hope in Chillicothe or CRADLE in Portsmouth.

As we are offering a compassionate response to the poor and to the marginalized, remember something bigger is at stake. Something bigger is always at stake.

If you feed anyone who is hungry,

You are feeding Jesus.

If you give water to anyone who is thirsty,

You are quenching the thirst of Jesus.

If you invite anyone into your home – even a stranger,

You are giving room and board to Jesus.

If you give garment to anyone needing clothing,

You are dressing Jesus.

If you provide comfort and healing to the sick,

You are looking after Jesus.

If you visited anyone in prison,

You are visiting an imprisoned Jesus.

Because when we see the hungry, the thirsty, a stranger, the naked, the sick and the imprisoned,

We actually don't see them,

We see Jesus'



*Soli Deo Gloria!*

(i.e., only God is glorified!)

Have a wonderful day!