

Welcome to
Harper Christian Church
August 2nd, 2020

9:00—OPEN PRAYER MEETING West overflow room

9:30—ADULT BIBLE STUDY Ed Hughlett, Sr.
"New Beginnings," A Study in Philippians

10:30—PRAISE & WORSHIP

- #543—The Family of God
- #230—His Name Is Wonderful
- I Will Enter In
- You are My All in All

COMMUNION IS AVAILABLE ANYTIME BEFORE OR AFTER THE SERVICE IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE AUDITORIUM. PLEASE HONOR SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES FOR OTHERS WHO MAY HAVE CONCERNS.

AN OFFERING PLATE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE BY ONE OF OUR ELDERS/DEACONS IN THE CHURCH FOYER AFTER THE SERVICE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC..... Wanda Hughlett
"This Is The Day" (that the Lord hath made)

THE MESSAGE Pastor Ed
"FINDING PEACE IN A WORLD AT WAR," Matthew 5:9

If you are a guest, we welcome you to our service and ask that you fill out the perforated portion of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. Our greatest desire is for you to have a personal, spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ. He is our only hope for experiencing God's forgiveness for sin (John 3:16) and the joy that can be ours in this life (Romans 14:17).

If we can help you with any physical or spiritual need, feel free to contact us at 620-896-2461.

AUGUST

TODAY We come to the last of our Lord's seven-fold description of Christian character. The peace of which Christ speaks in this beatitude has nothing to do with this world or its system. God's peace has nothing to do with politics, armies, compromise, truces, or treaties. The peace about which Jesus speaks is more than the absence of conflict and strife; it is the presence of righteousness. Only righteousness can produce the relationship that brings two parties together. **Men can stop fighting without righteousness, but they cannot live peaceably without righteousness. Righteousness not only puts an end to harm, but it administers the healing of love or commitment.** James confirms the nature of God's peace when he writes, **"But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable"** (James 3:17). As I've indicated before, there is a natural progression to each of these Kingdom attributes and here is another example. God's way to peace is through purity. Last week we talked of being "pure in heart," which is the bridge we must cross in order to find peace. Peace of heart flows from purity of life.

Wed No **Youth Group** this week

Wed-Sat County Fair

Aug 10 Elders/Deacons meeting at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall and at 7pm with a representative from Church Mutual Insurance Co.

Aug 16 **Movie Night, 6pm** showing, **"Tortured for Christ."** The Voice of the Martyrs presents this inspiring cinematic retelling of the testimony of VOM founder Pastor Richard Wurmbbrand as written in his international bestseller *Tortured for Christ*. Filmed entirely in Romania, including in the very prison where Pastor Wurmbbrand endured torture and solitary confinement, this powerful film uniquely presents the story with live action rather than interviews. The dialogue is presented in English, Romanian and Russian (with English subtitles) to hold to the authenticity of this true story.

SEPTEMBER

Sep 7 Labor Day

Sep 13 **Elders/Deacons Meeting**, 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall
Nat'l Grandparent's Day

Sep 11 Patriot Day

Sep 22 First Day of Fall

Sep 23 **SYATP (See You At The Pole)**, an annual student-led prayer meeting designed to encourage prayer for our nation's public schools. It begins around 7:30 am at any local school flag pole. See you at the Pole.

SoulCare

If you have questions about God, need spiritual guidance or would just like to pray with someone, please contact one of our prayer partners after the service. They will be located in the back of the auditorium (Northwest corner room). They have been praying for you to contact them even before today's service.

Prayer partners are especially for those who have questions about Salvation (becoming a Christ-follower), Baptism, or becoming a part of our church family.

For a digital PDF or hard copy of today's message send an email request to harpercc@hotmail.com or call and leave a request at (620) 896-2461.

Restrooms, Nursery (for pre-school and under) and **Cry Room** (for mothers with active children) are located downstairs. This area provides closed circuit video broadcast of the service.

Please silence your **cell phone**.



For **hearing assistance** contact the control booth in the back of the auditorium for a personal receiver. The system is ADA compatible for hearing aids with a telephone coil (T-Switch).