

The Pastor's Post

One Hundred Years Ago, 1921 ...

The Iraqi Army was formed, as was the Royal Australian Air Force; and the Tulsa Race Riots and Massacre began. These events prove that some things of man will cease, some will continue, and others will have long-lasting consequences.

What has not changed in the last 100 years, or the last 100,000 years is that God was, is, and will always be in control. God is from eternity to eternity, forever unchanging, and the only constant on which we can count upon.

It would be easy to look at COVID-19, political discourse, racial and civil unrest, and even the disharmony within the Christian faith(s) as signs the world is out of control and evil is gaining the upper hand. STOP right there!

Nothing is beyond God's governance. It is obviously beyond our control, but not His. God will correct the evil around us. His love, mercy, and grace are ever with us. We are His creation, the crowning of all that He delights in, and His beloved for all eternity.

Keep praying and try not to sweat the stuff, big or small; because it's all small to God. So much of life is bigger than us, and can lead us into a dark despair. We know that Jesus is Light. We know the end of the story — Jesus wins — and that's all that matters; because when we are in Him, we win, too! Keep the faith, pray without ceasing. Have joy in the journey and hope in tomorrow. Hope in Jesus never disappoints. Hope in Jesus doesn't just keep us aloft, but carries us forward. Have HOPE!

Pastor Dave



Bible verse to remember ...

Isaiah 40:31 Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.
NIV

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Arland D. Williams Jr.,

September 23, 1935 to January 13, 1982



Arland had a fear of water his entire life. Yet, this 47-year-old bank examiner found himself in the frigid ice-covered water of the Potomac River following the crash of Air Florida flight #90.

Impact killed 73 of the 79 on board. Though he was offered a lifeline from a news helicopter five different times, he passed up the chance for being saved by giving the rope to the other five survivors.

Williams exemplified compassion, integrity, honor, and self-sacrifice. If you visit our nation's capital, stop at the Arland D. Williams Jr. Memorial Bridge and say a prayer of thanks for people like him.



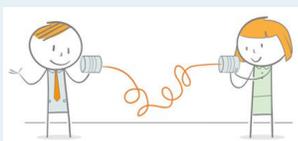
Streaming Message

Christian Endeavor is enjoying modest growth of "follows" and "likes" on Facebook. Our viewing average is about 1.4 hours per day.

Youtube numbers are steady and growing as is in-person worship attendance.

Hopefully, on-line worshippers will appreciate our deeper Philippians and James studies as well as the upcoming Free-for-All and the Fables series coming soon.

Contact Clif Smith at tech@cenewark.org for more details.



John 15:13

Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for friends. NIV

THIS SPOT SAVED FOR YOUR MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT

HERE'S A QUESTION: IF YOU COULDN'T FAIL, WHAT MINISTRY DO YOU HAVE A PASSION AND LONGING TO TRY?

WHAT'S STOPPING YOU. LET'S TRY IT TOGETHER.

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GOD IS OMNISCIENT, ALL-KNOWING. HE GETS THAT WE ARE EASILY MISLED AND WILL STUMBLE PERIODICALLY, EVEN PRONE TO QUITTING JUST BEFORE WE ARE LIKELY TO SUCCEED. THAT'S WHY HE SAID HIS YOKE IS EASY AND HIS BURDEN LIGHT.

HE WANTS US TO COME ALONGSIDE OF HIM.

HUMOROUSLY WONDERING,

Can an atheist get insurance for acts of God?
Five out of four people have trouble with fractions.
Do Lipton employees take coffee or tea breaks?
Why do they call it the Department of the Interior when they're in charge of the outside?
If quitters never win and winners never quit, what fool came up with, "Quit while you're ahead"?



OUTGOING
DIRECTOR,
JIM KNIGHT

Henderson Settlement began in 1925 to meet the needs of the community. Today, the need is even greater, but the ministries and those necessary to lead are also increasing:

Workcamp does projects at the Settlement and builds a house for a family in need annually, much as Habitat for Humanity does.

Youth Ministries gets young people involved in service projects, helps with tutoring, offers scholarships, provides various school and sports activities, and summer recreation.

Grow Appalachia provides skills and resources to grow sustainable nutritious food, teaches healthy food prep and preservation, does soil testing, and hosts a Farmer's Market.

The Greenhouse and Farm are endeavoring to practice sustainable and profitable business models for the community to grow plants, raise animals, and harvest intelligently.

Food Pantry (free) and Thrift Shop (low cost) are true lifelines when families are struggling to make ends meet, wondering about their next meal, or how to clothe their children.

MIHOW Infant Support assists mothers-to-be through the child's 3rd birthday. They assure neo-natal care and the "How to's" of meeting the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of their children.

Additionally, there is Senior Support, a Craft Shop, a Library, Women's Support, and other ministries.

HS offers ministries, even via long-distance that's a perfect fit for you. Tell them Pastor Dave sent you, and they'll put you to work and prayer.

Belated Anniversaries & Birthdays at CE

David McKee	March 8
Craig/Phyllis Hindman	March 11
Jean Hupp	March 25
Ruth Spence	March 29
Becky Westerfelt	March 30
Nancy Lynch	March 30
Robert Smith	April 1
Debbie Palm	April 7
Todd/Robin Martin	April 23
Walt/Marge Gemmell	April 25
Ann Perry	April 27
Leah Williams	April 29
Ludy Cassady	May 12
Robert Williams	May 18
Bob/Dorinda Smith	May 23
Marge Gemmell	May 24

Michelle Williams	June 8
Clif Smith	June 10
Mike Johnston	June 12
Bill/Becky Westerfelt	June 14
Michae/Nancy Lynch	June 21
Mike/Rae Jeanne McKee	June 22
Kirk/Belinda Paisley	June 25
Marilyn Pachuta	June 30
Doris Martin	July 1
Brenda Cady	July 11
Todd Martin	July 15
Dorinda Smith	July 16
Austin/Leah Williams	July 25
Austin Williams	August 3
Bill Ayers	August 7
Ron/Marilyn Pachuta	August 7
Mary Lou Place	August 15
Mike McKee	August 18
David Place	August 28

The Book of Discipline (BoD) is updated and re-published every four years as changes at our denomination's General Conference dictate. The BoD includes our Ecclesial Heritage with our "Family Tree" roots in England, foundation in America, growth in these United States with various mergers, splits, and grafts to where we are today. I don't find it boring, but interesting to discover how we got to where we are today.

Christian Endeavor UMC Pastor's Deeper Dive Bible Study

My Prayer:

Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16
NIV

Why should we confess our sins to each other? We don't really want everyone to know our sins, do we?

The short answer is, "YES." By confessing our sins to each other we can hold one another accountable to try to live lives that are pure and blameless, lives that model Christ, whose name we bear.

What about the prayer of a righteous man—I'm not righteous. Again, the short answer is, "YES." We are. We are not righteous of our own integrity, but we are righteous because of what Jesus has done and is doing in and through us.

Isaiah 53:5 says, "He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds, we are healed."

Confess, be thankful; and live in the Lord's righteousness.

The studies usually last about an hour or so. We dive deeper into the subject from the previous Sunday's Scripture reading and message.

Monday evenings at 6:00 PM , online. Contact Clif Smith at **TECH@CENEWARK.ORG** for connection details.

Wednesday at 10:30 AM in the church sanctuary.

If there are other questions you have about Scripture or a current topic, don't hesitate to contact me. I may not have all the answers, but I'm sure we can have fun trying to figure it all out. **dapagura@insight.rr.com** or **614-294-3349**

Scripture that Speaks: The Word of God for the People of God

1 Peter 3:15

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. NIV

2 Timothy 4:2

Be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke, and encourage with great patience and careful instruction. NIV

SERMON SCHEDULE FOR JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2021

June 6	Philippians 1	Being Pure and Blameless
June 13	Philippians 2	One in Spirit, God-sized Dreams
June 20	Philippians 3 & 4	All-in for Christ, Pressing on
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June 27	1 Peter 3:15	Free-for-All, Elevator Speech
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July 4	James 1	Be Wise and Fruitful for Jesus
July 11	James 2	Don't Judge, Deeds Prove Faith
July 18	James 3	Tame the Tongue, Submit to God
July 25	James 5	Be Real, Be Patient, Be Prayerful
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August 1	Colossians 4	The Sun and the Wind (Aesop)
August 8	Acts 2:42-47	The Little Red Hen (Galdone)
August 15	Ecclesiastes 3:1-8	The Grasshopper & Ants (Aesop)
August 22	1 Corinth. 10:12-17	The Tortoise & the Hare (Aesop)
August 29	Zechariah 7:8-14	The Two Goats (Aesop)
Sept. 5	Romans 12:3-8	Stone Soup (Brown)

Thanks to All Who Lift Us in Prayer



"Our mission is to develop fully-devoted followers of Jesus Christ. Our vision is to glorify God, grow disciples and change the world one person at a time."

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Are You Looking for Answers?

SO ARE WE! Let's search for them together.

There's so much we don't know or understand about the Bible, ourselves, society. Have you ever thought, "I believe God really is good, I just don't why He allows evil." Ever ask yourself, "I want to be better; so, why do I keep stumbling over the same stuff all the time?"

We're just everyday people, just like you. Why don't you join us at Christian Endeavor UMC, 11:00 AM this Sunday. You can offer up a prayer concern or check us out online first if you'd like: **CENEWARK.ORG**.

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