

## Morning Worship

January 7, 2018

Pastor — Allan Lane

Organ --- Alva Lou Schottel

Worship Leader — Don Beavers

Piano — Marcia Hart

**As you enter for worship, please silence your cell phones.**

(CCLI permit # 424692 covers all copyright song lyrics)

Welcome and Fellowship	Allan/People
Hymn # 361 <i>We Have Come into His House</i>	Don/People
Worship Prayer	Allan Lane
Hymn # 524 <i>We're Marching to Zion</i>	Don/People
Hymn # 521 <i>On Jordan's Stormy Banks</i>	Don/People
Offering Prayer	Fred Kerns
Tithes and Offerings	People
Offering Music	Marcia Hart
Hymn # 537 <i>I Will Sing the Wondrous Story</i>	Don/People
Children's Worship	(Children are dismissed)
Scripture Reading    1 Peter – Selected Scriptures	Allan/People
Morning Message <i>Living in a Secular World</i>	Allan Lane
Hymn # 281 <i>Speak to My Heart</i>	Don/People
Prayer Concerns	Allan/People
Chorus # 95 <i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>	Don/People

### JANUARY BIBLE STUDY 2018 PREACHING GUIDE

Since we experienced icy weather in Saint Joseph on this day, and our attendance was low, we decided to postpone our celebration of the Lord's Supper until next week. Rather than use the sermon prepared for the Lord's Supper, Bro. Allan shared the following sermon outline from the January Bible Study materials. It gives an introduction to 1 Peter, the New Testament book to be studied this year. Next Sunday we will hopefully have the Lord's Supper.

People today identify with the problems encountered by people in Peter's era and the practical solutions offered by Scripture. This introductory sermon gives an overview of the epistle to encourage people who need hope in difficult days.

**Sermon Title:** Living as Strangers in a Secular World

**Text:** Various passages in 1 Peter

**Focus:** Peter's words to persecuted Christians flow through the centuries to modern believers living in a secular world.

#### Introduction:

Are you experiencing problems because of your faith? You're not alone. Peter wrote to believers experiencing persecution. His principles apply today as they did 2,000 years ago. In the midst of suffering, Christ offers ...

1. The Encouragement of Hope
  - A. It's a Living Hope (1:3)
  - B. It's a Lasting Hope (1:13)
  - C. It's a Loving Hope (1:21-23)
  - D. It's a Legitimate Hope (3:15-17)
2. The Example of Himself
  - A. An Example of Suffering (2:21-25; 3:18)
  - B. An Example of Submission (2:13-15, 23-24)
3. The Evidence of Holiness

- A. Evidence of Identity as God's Children (1:14-16)
  - B. Evidence of Inhabitation as God's Household (2:4-6)
  - C. Evidence of Inclusion as God's People (2:9-10)
4. The Exhortation of Humility
- A. Humble Toward One Another (3:8)
  - B. Humble Toward Leaders (5:5)
  - C. Humble Toward God (5:6)

## **New Year's: Resolutions or Revelation?**

Once again God has allowed us to see another New Year. It's not because we've been so good, but because He is so gracious and kind. When you think about how the Lord has heard and answered your prayers, guided your paths, and blessed you over the past year it should make you feel revived, redeemed, and want to give your neighbor a "high five!"

New Year's is a time when people all over the world are making resolutions to spend more time with their family, halt bad habits they should have stopped years ago, etc. But the end result of many of our resolutions is failure. Time and time again we pledge to ourselves and to those we love to do better, only to fail which leads to us simply giving up. But the reason our resolutions fail is because resolutions are self-imposed, self-willed, and self-propelled ideas that do not include the presence or the power of God. What we really need are not more resolutions but a New Year's *Revelation*. Honestly, the best revelations come from God through the Scriptures that are divinely inspired for us by Him. A revelation contains God's plan and purpose for your life.

In Psalm 1 the psalmist provides us with a spirit-filled revelation that will guide us into 2018. He starts with the idea of blessing. Being blessed in the general sense connotes something that God does for us. But to the psalmist it is also something he knows he must do for himself. He says that the blessed man watches the company he keeps. He mentions three groups of people – the ungodly, the sinner, and the scornful. The ungodly are those who sin knowingly and feel no conviction. The sinners are those who openly sin and don't care who finds out. The scornful are those who sin and encourage others to join them. Look through your contact list on your cell phone or your Facebook friends list. Is there anyone who fits one or more of those three categories? Perhaps it's time to delete them. If you hang around with wolves you will eventually begin to howl. Read what Paul said in 2 Corinthians 6:17. It sounds harsh, but we must choose to bless ourselves by not walking, standing, or sitting with people who mean us no good.

Psalm 1 also tells us we must saturate ourselves with the divine principles of God's Word. The Psalmist says the blessed man delights himself in the law of the Lord. This word delight doesn't just mean you like what you like. We delight in oxygen, because without it we can't stay alive. We delight in eyesight, because without it we couldn't see. Likewise, we delight in the Word of God because without it we cannot survive spiritually. We should meditate on it day and night.

Lastly, this psalm tells us we are to be planted in the right place. We are not to be just any volunteer sapling that springs up, but intentionally and carefully planted in a chosen spot where we are positioned to receive plenty of spiritual nourishment and become fruitful. The storms of life may still blow your way, but because you're rooted in the Word of God, you are anchored in the life of Jesus Christ. And nothing will be able to stop, halt, or hinder what God is doing in your life in 2018.

God Bless You!

Bro. Allan

## **Opportunities For Service**

**Living out Your Spiritual Commitment . . . and Fulfilling Christ's Divine Plan**

**Sunday, January 7, 2018**

Choir Rehearsal.....9:00 am

Sunday School.....9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: John Lewis, Gary Yarbrough, Joseph Coats, ? ? ? ?

Alternate: Larry McKahan

Evening Service 6:30 pm

### **Wednesday, January 10**

Prayer Warriors .....10:00 am

Prayer / Bible Study.... 6:30 pm

Worship Team ..... 7:30 pm

### **Sunday, January 14, 2018**

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am

Sunday School ..... 9:15 am

Morning Worship.....10:30 am

Nursery: Volunteers as needed

Ushers: ? ? ? ?, Ken Nice, Fred Kerns, Don Sharp

Alternate: ? ? ? ?

New Year's Eve Service.....6:30 pm

### **Wednesday, January 17**

Prayer / Bible Study ....6:30 pm

Worship Team ..... 7:30 pm

### **Up-Coming Events.....**

**January 7, 2018 — Celebrate Lord's Supper, all loose monies in the offering plate will go to benevolence.**

**January 10 — Prayer Warriors 10 am**

**January 14 — Fellowship Dinner and Business Meeting**

**January 15 — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

**January 18 — Food Pantry Day**

**January 25 — BSU Meal**

**January 28 — Diversicare Service 2:30 pm**

## **GROW Team**

Commit to **GROW!** **Everyone make a contact!** Invite someone to Bible Study and Worship this week. ☺

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### **Sunday Night**

Please join us tonight, Sunday, January 7.

### **Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Study**

Come pray for the direction of our church. Also, we will begin a new Bible Study. Please plan to attend and pray at 6:30 pm.

### **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

Thanks to the generous giving of our church we exceeded the International Missions offering goal of \$1,700.00. So far to date we have received \$1,721.00.

### *Lord's Supper Observance*

Morning Worship

Today, Sunday, January 7

Benevolent Collection—all undesignated monies in the offering plate will go to local benevolence.

## **January Bible Study**

### **CHRISTMAS CARD BOXES IN THE HALLWAY**

We have removed the card mailboxes. Leftover cards will be either in your Sunday School room or the hall table.

### *Thank You*

*Hello, and thank you for your recent donation of canned goods to our food pantry.*

*God Bless You,*

*Maggie Wall*

*Patee Park Baptist Church*  
*Food Pantry*

***For the Record-***

**Attendance: December 31, 2017**

Sunday School.....17  
Visitors..... 4  
Total..... 21  
Contacts Made..... 6  
Morning Worship..... 18  
Children's Worship.....N/A  
Christmas Eve..... 12  
Wednesday Night ..... N/A

**Financial Record:**

Weekly Budget ..... \$ 2,286.39  
Offering Received ... \$ 1,244.00  
Lottie Moon..... \$ 1,721.00  
Long Family-Dec..... \$ 132.00  
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**Offering Received by Mail:**

**January Counting Team:**

John Lewis and Bill Schottel

**January Van Driver:**

George Burgess  
Remember to call 232-3747  
**before 8 am** if you need a ride.

**January Member Birthdays:**

01... Carol Helean  
01... Marcia Hart  
19... Juanita Haskins  
22....Eric Thompson  
24....Aubrey McCamy  
27... Gary Yarbrough  
28... Donna Dunn

**January Anniversaries**

Allan and Ellen Lane  
Married January 2, 1983

Philip and Kelsey Lane  
Married January 3, 2009

***Prayer Requests ...***

Family of Craig Beeman  
 Betty Campbell—pneumonia  
 Peggy & Gary Fewins—Peggy’s health  
 Rick and Mary Bruntmeyer  
 Rachael & Erin Molloy and Family  
 Brigida Winans—heel surgery  
 Mike Green—knee recovery  
 Arlette Duty—carpal tunnel  
 Gina Harr—surgery recovery  
 Joe Coats—pacemaker  
 Don Beavers—heart and health  
 Curtis Conard—surgery in January  
 Emily Jones & baby  
 Chad Bradford—heart surgery  
 Cynthia Burdick—cancer recovery  
 Karissa and Matt Long and family  
 The Waters Family—guidance  
 Stephanie & Jason Terpack  
 Shawna Hughes—home isolation  
 Gary and Sharon Yarbrough  
 Larry Danner—cancer  
 Rosella Davis—Flo Conard’s sister  
 Mary Sharp’s brother-in-law Jim  
 Bill Clinton—Don and Mae’s son  
 Troy Griswold—cancer treatment  
 Lisa Bowers—Jack and Flo’s daughter  
 LoLeta Middleton—strength  
 Elvera’s daughter & daughter-in-law  
 Zella Davis —Doris Richardson’s sister  
 Rev. A. B. Brown      Betty Campbell  
 George Ferbert      Kevin Duty  
 Ellen Blanton      Lois Ulmer  
 Jim Winans      Nellie Reynolds  
 Madeline Swink      Ann Riddle  
 Kathryn Beavers      Keon McKahan  
 Louanne Laurence      Leona Reynolds  
 Jozy Winans      Kenny Duty  
 Pat Means      Buddy Means  
 Bill & Juanita      Debbie Sands  
 Pat Puckett      Judy Anderson  
 Brenda Burgess      Roscoe Lane  
 Carolyn Houts      Tim Izer  
 Nickolay Nazaruk, Peski 2 Church  
 David and Deborah Grace  
 Our Nation and Leaders  
 Our Military Service people  
**Today’s Prayer Requests ...**

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**Our Nation and our Leaders ...**

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**Five More New Families...**

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