

A good time to "visit" On line Live streaming of the Lost River Church of Christ worship service in Bowling Green, KY. It can be found at 10:00 a.m. Sunday and 5:00 p.m. Sunday evening at:

<https://www.lostriverchurch.org/media/live-stream>

or at:

<https://vimeo.com/lostriverchurchofchrist>

(Click the link at 10:00 am and 5:00 pm)

<http://www.perryhillchurch.org/members/member-news>



### Records You Helped Make

For the Week of

March 08, 2020

Attendance

Sunday Worship 102

Sunday Bible Class 81

Sunday Evening 77

Wednesday Evening 88

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Judy Robinson

*Birthday 03/15/2020*

John Demas

*Birthday 03/20/2020*

Claire Sims

*Birthday 03/21/2020*

James and Bess Powell

*Anniversary 03/21/2020*

Doug and Marsha Williamson

*Anniversary 03/21/2020*

**The Alabama Department of Public Health Hotline 1-888-293-8888 opened today, March 14. It allows anyone seeking information on how and where to be tested if you think you have symptoms.**

**Do call the elders also if you think you might have a health problem.**



PERRY HILL ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST



# Bulletin

News & Information  
for Members &  
Friends

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MARCH 15, 2020

## Peace Be Still

Jesus calming the storm on the sea is one of the best known stories in the synoptic gospels.

The accounts demonstrates Jesus' authority over the elements of nature; it also describes the weak faith of his disciples as they cry out in fear. These are just two lessons that Christians can and should take from this story.

On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us cross over to the other side." Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him. And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?"

Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?" And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"

It is interesting and instructive to note that the gospel's accounts of this incident differ. Mark says that the disciples said, "Teacher, do You not care if we drown?" *Continued inside*





### Services at the building cancelled 3/15 & 3/18

Due to the current situation regarding the Coronavirus and in an effort to be as cautious as possible regarding the safety of all our members, we are announcing today that **we are suspending all services in the building for Sunday, March 15 and Wednesday, March 18. Please stay home and be safe. If you have any kind of need, please call one of the elders.**

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### Neal Smith update

3/4/2020 - Neal Smith's doctor has discovered the cause of continued pain following his successful procedure to stabilize his back. He has several broken ribs to add to his long string of health difficulties. Keep him in your prayers for quick recovery off this new problem.

### Helen Stewart

3/14/20 Helen Stewart Update

Helen continues to be in ICU at Baptist East Hospital and she had a good night last night. They continue to drain fluid from her lungs and she is still on the ventilator to assist her breathing. They have reduced the ventilator to where she is breathing some on her own. Please keep both Helen and G.T. in your prayers. No visitors at this time please.

### Darwin Miles - brother of Sharon Kochik

Prayers are requested for Sharon Kochik's brother, Darwin Miles, in Lawrenceburg, TN. Recently diagnosed with tumors on his spine, hip, neck, and lungs. Having surgery 2/17/2020 to relieve pain.

### Nic Lloyd

He is back in the hospital and fighting rejection of the new kidney. Keep him in your prayers.

### Continued

Finally, Luke says that they said, *“Master, Master, we’re going to drown.”*

The three accounts also vary in how they describe Jesus’ response to His disciples’ fear: Matthew says that Jesus said to them, *“You of little faith, why are you so afraid?”*

Mark says, *“Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”*

Luke simply says, *“Where is your faith?”*

The disciples saw and felt the waves as they crashed against the boat. The wind howled as the storm raged, causing their faith to wane and their peace to depart. Jesus reacts with clear displeasure at the disciples’ lack of faith which caused them to lose the inherent peace a right relationship with Jesus brings, regardless of worldly turmoil or physical circumstances.

Mark’s account of this incident gives us the phrase *“Peace Be Still”*. The Bible uses the word peace to convey several concepts: One is “a state of harmony, tranquility” or the “the absence of hostility, mental stress or anxiety”.

The Hebrew word is Shalom, meaning completeness, soundness, welfare, peace. The Greek word is Eirene, which often refers to the inner tranquility and poise of Christians whose trust is in God through Christ.

This story is told to demonstrate the faithful and omnipotent power of Jesus which is essential in building confidence and a trusting relationship with Him. Second, the story illustrates the importance of calling on Jesus to save us. Jesus rebuked the disciples for their lack of faith, not for asking to be saved. Third, the more we know of Him and experience daily His majesty and power, the more our conviction and faith in His ability to ultimately deliver us will grow.

The disciples question, *“What manner of man is this?”* is still valid today! He is the source of peace and virtue that the world and the church need today.

Christians should always remember that we are in the ship with Jesus and, although there is a tempest raging all around us, we have the peace of Jesus. Our lives should reflect the calming nature that faithful relationship produces — *“Peace be still”*.

In service to our Lord,

—Rod Ellison