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**Worship Schedule**

**Sunday**

Bible Study ..... 9:30 AM  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 AM  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 PM

**Wednesday**

Bible Study ..... 7:00 PM

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**Are You a Christian?**

**Do you know what you must  
do to be saved?**

Hear – Romans 10:17  
Believe – John 8:24  
Repent – Acts 17:30  
Confess – Romans 10:9-10  
Be Baptized – 1 Peter 3:21  
Live Faithfully –  
Revelation 2:10

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**Got a Bible Question?**

Be sure to submit it in the blue box on the table in the foyer! You can also text, email, or message the Facebook page. Questions will be answered the last Sunday evening of each month.

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*The Park Street Informer*

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**ILL**

Those Fighting Cancer: Barbra Hook, Drew Shinn and Kim V.

**Prayer List**

Mike Katosh, James Jones, Sandra and George Rowell, Tina Thomas, and Millie Robertson.

**Shut-Ins**

Ted Thrasher, Debbie McGuire.

**Upcoming Events**

Men’s Meeting moved to March 17<sup>th</sup> following morning services.  
Singing March 27<sup>th</sup>  
Gospel Meeting at 39<sup>th</sup> Street with Toney Smith March 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fellowship Meal March 31<sup>st</sup>  
Questions and Answers March 31<sup>st</sup>  
Our Spring Gospel Meeting with Brendan Carr April 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>

**Birthdays**

Javion Flowers 13<sup>th</sup>  
Kema Flowers 14<sup>th</sup>

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**Passage to Ponder: James 4:17**

Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

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**Sunday Sermons**

A.M.....The Urgency of the Day  
P.M.....The Responsibility of a Teacher

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# Those To Serve

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## Morning Worship

### Announcements

Steve Phillips

### Song Leader

Ed Hanson

### Opening Prayer

Steve Phillips

### Preside

Zac Hall

### Assist

Ron Campbell

### Closing Prayer

Ed Hanson

## Evening Worship

### Opening Prayer

Ed Hanson

### Closing Prayer

Steve Phillips

### Lord's Supper

Ed Hanson

Wed. March 6<sup>th</sup>,  
2024

### Song Leader

Zac Hall

### Invitation

George Thomas

## LIFE IS LIKE A VAPOR

Dan Goddard

James compares life to a vapor saying, “WHEREAS YE KNOW NOT WHAT SHALL BE ON THE MORROW. FOR WHAT IS YOUR LIFE? IT IS EVEN A VAPOUR, THAT APPEARETH FOR A LITTLE TIME, AND THEN VANISHETH AWAY” (**James 4:14**).

The first type of vapor I would like to consider is a cloud. A cloud may be pleasant and beautiful or wretched and ugly. With clouds, we can predict future weather events (rain, overcast, sunny). Clouds are here one moment and gone the next—thus, they are soon forgotten.

Our life is like a cloud. Some people have pleasant and beautiful lives in the Lord while other people have wretched lives which are blackened by unrepentant sin. As with clouds, a person may look at his life and see what the future holds (cf. **James 1:23-24**). A person who is sowing to the flesh will reap corruption and a person sowing to the Spirit will reap everlasting life (**Galatians 6:8**). Life is like a cloud that is here one moment and gone the next.

The second type of vapor I would like to consider is a puff of steam. A puff of steam dissipates in one or two seconds—it is here for a brief moment and gone forever.

When will our mortal life seem like a brief moment in time (like a vapor)? Considering that a vapor dissipates in two seconds, I calculated that a mortal life of seventy-two years will seem like it had only lasted for two seconds when we have been in our eternal abode for about four million years.

In this perspective, one may see the brevity of life. After being in heaven for four million years the trials (cf. **James 1:2-4**) of mortal life will seem inconsequential. And for sinners, four million years of hell will make the follies of sin seem futile.

In James’ epistle he outlines the effect of comprehending the brevity of life. Someone comprehending and understanding the brevity of life:

- Endures trials with joy (**James 1:2-8**)
- Endures temptations and does not sin (**James 1:12-18**)
- Is swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath (**James 1:19-20**)
- Is a doer of the word and not a hearer only (**James 1:21-27**)
- Is not prejudiced (**James 2:1-13**)
- Has a living faith perfected by his works (**James 2:14-26**)
- Has tamed his tongue and therefore his whole body (**James 3:1-12**)
- Is wise with the wisdom from above (**James 3:13-18**)
- Has humbly submitted to God (**James 4:1-10**)
- Does not judge his brother (**James 4:11-12**)
- Glorifies God and does not boast about tomorrow (**James 4:13-17**)
- Does not oppress the poor (**James 5:1-6**)
- Is patient, waiting on the Lord, therefore living righteously in trials. (**James 5:7-12**)
- Is praying and singing (**James 5:13**)
- Has repented of his sins and prayed for forgiveness (**James 5:14-18**)
- Cares for others (**James 5:19-20**)

In a word, a person who comprehends the brevity of life is a person who is ready to die.