

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.

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Happy Father's Day!

Father's Day Prayer

Lord, please bless our fathers,
these men who mean so much to us,
who are greatly responsible
for who we are and who we are becoming.

Bless them for having the courage
to do what's necessary to keep us out of trouble,
for making us do the right thing,
for helping us build our character,
even when it makes us angry;
and bless them for pushing us to do our best,
even when they just want to love us.

Bless our fathers for being our protectors,
for leading us through stormy times to safety,
for making us believe that everything will be all right
and for making it so.

Bless our fathers for quietly making a living
to provide for those they love most,
for giving us food, clothing, shelter
and the other material things that really matter,
for unselfishly investing time and money in us
that they could have spent on themselves.

Bless our fathers, Lord,
for saving some energy for fun,
for leading us on adventures
to explore the outer reaches of ourselves,
for making us laugh,

for being our playmates and our friends.
Bless them for being our secure foundation, our rock,
for holding on tight to us...until it's time to let us go.

Lord, bless these men we look up to,
our role models, our heroes,
our fathers.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



Elders:

Pat Barclay
Jim Galloway
Brian Haught
Paul Inman
Stan Inman
John Life
Ron Riddle
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
Dearll Vincent

Deacons:

Delmas Carr
Kevin Cochran
Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
Jon Hescht
Rob Hoover
Bill Hoover
Kevin Inman
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
Chris Mullins
Keith Smith
Jeff Taberner

Minister:

Dana Slingluff
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Remember our sister **Diana Hesselroad** in your prayers as she has medical tests tomorrow.

Kathleen Albright

Cards may be sent to: 565 Brackenridge Road, Vincent, OH 45784

Remember **Mike Bayer** with prayers and cards. He is recuperating from knee surgery. Cards may be sent to: 98 Stone Ridge Road, Washington, WV 26181

Tammie Wilson is home recuperating. Her address is: 2503 Beverly Street, Apt. 13A, Parkersburg, WV 26101

Remember our church family in your prayers.

Kathleen Albright, Sharon Armstrong, Mike Bayer, Harvey Caplinger Sr, Jay Chevront, Peggy Cowdery, Chelsea Doonan, Gloria Frazier, Jo Goldsmith, Jim Hughes, Betty Lamb, Bill Lemley, Lois Nulter, Kathy Plant, Jane Pralley, Neil Russell, Tammie Wilson

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Betty Adams (Relative of Calvin and Jean Martin), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Bob Boyce, Melissa Burgess (Friend of Robin Anthony), Cindy Cleninger, Michael Cox, Treva Daggett, Jeff Jones (Holly West's father), Lisa Osbourne (Steve Moser's sister), Jim Rapp, Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Margaret Snider (Linda Hall's mother), Gail Vensel (Friend/Neighbor of Don & Brenda Dougherty), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt), Margaret Wilcox (Requested by Sherry Wilcox)



- ♥ **Gary and Sharon Herridge** wish to thank everyone for all of the well-wishes for their 50th anniversary.
- ♥ We thank each of you who shared our 64th wedding anniversary. The cards were much appreciated. **Walter and Merilee Morgan**
- ♥ I sincerely thank you for the cards, gifts, messages and offers to help with our children I received while I was not well. I am most appreciative of the prayers and encouragement you gave. I am thankful for you all and extremely blessed to have such an amazing church family! Love, **Amanda Cochran**
- ♥ Thank you for helping us celebrate our anniversary. Your cards, notes and good wishes mean so much, Love you all. **Ron and Peggy Riddle**
- ♥ My sincerest thank you for everyone who sent me cards and in other ways helped me to celebrate my 65th birthday. You always make me feel loved and appreciated. Your brother in Christ, **Dana Slingluff**

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"If you and I haven't time to help youngsters find the right way in life, someone with more time will help them find the wrong way."

BAPTISM

We rejoice that Brenden Smith was baptized Wednesday evening at Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp - Camp Hervida. He will be in Care Group 4. We are so proud of Brenden!

MEN'S MEETING, BIBLE BUSTERS, LADIES' MEETING

The Men's meeting, Bible Busters and Ladies' meeting today at 5:00.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will be at the Haid's cabin June 25 at 8:30. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

DEACON'S MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

Deacon's meeting next Sunday at 5:00.

BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY GET-TOGETHER

Everyone is invited to the get-together in the MP Room next Sunday after evening services to celebrate June birthday and anniversaries. Please bring finger foods, snacks and desserts.

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM DONATIONS

Along with the summer food program we will be sending bags of food items home with the children for the weekend. Items need to have flip tops or be easy to open containers and individual serving size. (Examples: peanut butter/cheese crackers, Goldfish crackers, Vienna sausage, fruit/pudding cups, instant soups, instant mac and cheese, juice boxes, pop tarts, breakfast bars, fruit snacks, etc.) Items may be left in the box in the parking lot foyer.

POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME COIN BANKS

We will be participating in the 2016 Silver for Children Campaign. They are asking that each family take one coin bank and fill it over the next three to four months. The banks are available in the foyers.

BLOOD DRIVE

Our Blood Drive will be Monday, August 8 in the MP Room from 1:00-6:00. Sign-up sheets will be available on the counter.

DVD'S AVAILABLE

The DVD's of the Family Discipleship workshop with Chip Pugh are available on the counter.

We will be providing transportation to the
Spiritual Giftedness Seminar.

June 24 - 26

at the Sissonville congregation.

Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

Flyers are on the foyer bulletin boards and in the bulletin.

Daily Bible Reading

June 19 - John 20:1-18, 1 Chronicles 18-19
June 20 - John 20:19-31, 1 Chronicles 20-21
June 21 - John 21, 1 Chronicles 22-23
June 22 - Acts 1, 1 Chronicles 24-25
June 23 - Acts 2:1-21, 1 Chronicles 26-27
June 24 - Acts 2:22-47, 1 Chronicles 28-29
June 25 - Acts 3, 2 Chronicles 1-3
June 26 - Acts 4:1-22, 2 Chronicles 4-6



DANA'S DIRECTION

“I'm 65 - How did I ever survive?”

- 1) My baby crib was painted with bright, lead-based paint.
- 2) Our toys had all kinds of small pieces that presented choking hazards. My mother handled it like yours did-she slapped my hand and said *“don't put that in your mouth.”*
- 3) My favorite place to ride in the car was standing in the back seat with my head in front between my parents. The only seat belt I got was my dad's belt on my seat when I didn't behave in the car.
- 4) My favorite place of all to ride was in the bed of my grandpa's truck - today, of course, that would be child endangerment.
- 5) The only “time out” that my parents used to discipline me - was when I was told to *“stay outside until I could stop crying”* after I got a spanking.
- 6) In the summer when I was a kid, we left the house after breakfast and no one was concerned unless we were late for supper. None of us kids had a cell phone so our parents could reach us. Later, however, I learned that there was a network of neighborhood moms that kept one another updated about our whereabouts.
- 7) No one ever had to tell us to go outside and play. There really wasn't much reason to stay inside on a nice day. No video games. The T.V. had three stations with nothing but Mom's soap operas. We actually got exercise, got to know the neighbors and had friends.
- 8) We rode our bikes everywhere - without helmets; roller skates without elbow and knee-pads; played full-contact football in the backyard; climbed trees and made cars and scooters out of boards and old lawnmower wheels. *How did we survive?* We got cuts, bruises, scrapes and an occasional broken bone - but I never heard of a parent suing the neighbor, the city, or the company that made our bike. *We called these things Accidents.*
- 9) It's also a wonder that we survived emotionally! When we tried out for Little League - some didn't make the team! Of those who did, some played more because they were better. We kept score! One team I played on lost every game. I was told “that helps build character.” *What kind of advice is that?*
- 10) And what about school? We had teachers who posted our grades in the hallway - and put stickers on only the best drawings. They circled our mistakes in red and told us when they thought we hadn't done our best. *How cruel and heartless can you be? It was almost like real life!*
- 11) Speaking of school, there were some real “child-abusers” there. Do you remember the “Board of Education?” (And I don't mean the three old men and two retired teachers.) The one with the holes (to cut down wind resistance) that hung on the wall? And our parents made it even worse - if we got in trouble at school - it was a given - we were in trouble again when we got home. I made the mistake of telling my Dad one time that “It wasn't my fault.” He sided with the teacher! He said *“Even if it wasn't my fault, I was standing far to close to trouble.”*

IF YOU ARE OVER 60 - ISN'T IT A WONDER ANY OF US SURVIVED?

Pray Boldly (Hebrews 4:14-16)



“For we do not have a _____ who cannot sympathize with our _____, but was in _____ points tempted as we are, yet without _____. Let us therefore come _____ to the throne of grace, that we may obtain _____ and find _____ to help in time of need” (Hebrews 4:14-16)

I) We can pray boldly because we have _____ to God’s throne. The High Priest offered sacrifices _____. (Hebrews 10:1) The blood of bulls and goats could _____ take away sins. (Hebrews 10:4) **Jesus is a _____ High Priest.** He has passed through the _____, and is sitting at the _____ hand of God. (Hebrews 4:14) His sacrifice is _____ for all. (Hebrews 10:10-12)

Reasons we can pray through Jesus. He is our _____. “For there is one _____ between God and men, the Man Jesus Christ.” (I Timothy 2:5) **He is our _____.** “If anyone _____ we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the _____.” (I John 2:1) **He is our _____.** “Our Father in _____, hallowed be Your name.” (Matthew 6:9)

II) We can pray boldly because we have God’s _____ ear. “He was in all points _____ as we are yet without _____.” (Hebrews 4:15)

III) We can pray boldly if we meet the _____ of acceptable prayer. “Let us hold fast to our _____.” (Hebrews 4:14) **Answered prayer is conditional. We must be faithful.** “And whatever we ask, we _____ because we keep His _____ and do those things _____ to Him” (I John 3:22). **We must pray in faith.** “Let him ask in _____, with no doubting... let not that man think he will _____ anything of the Lord.” (James 1:6-7) **We must pray through _____.** “If you ask anything in My _____, I will _____ it.” (John 14:14) **Our prayers must be heartfelt and _____.** “The effective, fervent prayer of a _____ man avails much.” (James 5:16)

IV) God has promised to answer our prayer. “That we may obtain _____ and find _____ to _____ in time of need.” (Hebrews 4:16) **To life’s perplexing problems:** “If any of you lack _____, let him ask of God, who gives to all _____ and without _____, and it will be _____ him.” (James 1:5) **To situations that are out our control:** “My _____ is sufficient for you, for My _____ is made perfect in _____.” (II Corinthians 12:9)

July Birthday - Anniversaries

July 1 - *Jeff & Julie Taberner
July 3 - Michaela Miller
July 4 - Phil Deem, Janet Plant
July 5 - Nancy Putnam
July 6 - Ron Holleron
July 8 - Tammie Wilson
July 11 - Ben Sheppard
July 13 - Don Dougherty
July 14 - June Freels
July 15 - Richard Marshall
July 16 - *Jimmy & Brooke Galloway
July 17 - Evan Fleak
July 18 - Harold Stanley (Happy 95th!)
July 20 - Chris Tallman, *Keith & Eloise Smith
July 21 - Brenda Dougherty, Kenzie Inman, Gary McConnell
July 22 - Teagan Hescht
July 23 - Margaret Dawkins, *Chad & Rachel Turner
July 24 - Melissa Caplinger, *Bill & Jane Pralley
July 25 - Melva Farris, *Rick & Kay Stanley, &*Bret & Sarah Wilcoxon
July 26 - Leah Hoover
July 27 - Bailey Inman, Debi Inman
July 28 - Emma Hershman, Phyllis Johnson, Heather Osburn
July 29 - Linda Moncrief



For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10

* Anniversary

If your birthday and/or anniversary is not on this list and you would like to be on the church calendar, please contact the office this week.

Please keep our shuts-ins in your prayers and remember them with cards.
Let them know they are loved.

Jane Pralley and Janice Skinner

Worthington Care and Rehab. Center
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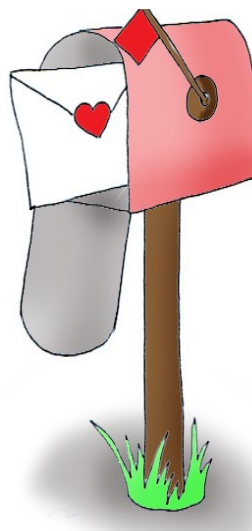
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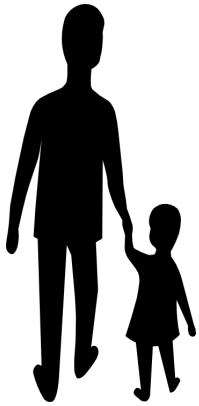
Dorothy Weaver

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Remember our sister Betty Lamb with cards and prayers as she has been experiencing health issues.
Her address is: 2600 Unity Plaza Apt. 101, Parkersburg, WV 26101

Father's Day



You never said I'm leaving
You never said goodbye
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knew why.
A million times I needed you,
A million times I cried
If Love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.
In Life I loved you dearly
In death I love you still.
In my heart you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill.
It broke my heart to lose you,
But you didn't go alone
For part of me went with you,
The day God took you home.

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Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp

(Camp Hervida)

Junior week June 19 - 24

Intermediate week June 26 - July 1

West Virginia Christian Youth Camp

(Pennsboro, WV)

College Week June 19 - 24

Sports Week June 26 - July 1

Senior Week July 3 - 9

Intermediate Week July 10 - 15

Junior Week July 17 - 23

All Age Week July 24 - 30

Singing Week July 31 - August 6

Camp registration forms are available in the foyers and on the youth bulletin board by the office.

If you need financial assistance, see one of the elders.

A youth Cedar Point trip is being planned for July 12.

More details to come.

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Do you ever get upset with potholes? You know, life is often referred to as a journey with potholes. We begin our journey at birth. But much of our early life is dictated by someone else. Babies do not have to worry about potholes, a wrong turn or any bumps in the road. However, as we grow and mature, we begin to make our own decisions. Unfortunately, some of us attempt to direct our way without any help. Jeremiah had something to say about this: "Nor is it in man who walks to direct his steps." (Jeremiah 10:23)



You know, a sign indicating a bump, a dip or rough road ahead is very helpful. Spiritually speaking, we need to anticipate bumps, dips and potholes in our lives. We should look for and prepare for difficult times. What road are you taking? How many dips, bumps and holes do you anticipate on this route? Are you prepared? What manual prepares you for the bumps of life? Just remember David's words "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path!" (Psalm 119:105)

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.



A THINK STORY

A little boy once asked his dad what a "Christian" was. The dad replied that a Christian is a person who loves and obeys God. He loves his friends and neighbors and expresses his appreciation for other Christians. He even loves his enemies and prays for them that they might be blessed. He prays often and blesses God's holy name in reverent worship. He is kind, considerate, gentle, courteous in his speech and in his selfless attitude. He lives a life that is pure and holy and is a Christian through and through.

The little boy thought for a moment and then asked another question "Daddy, have I ever seen one?"

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OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

July 6 - 9 Vacation Bible School
July 23 Church Picnic

Opportunities To Serve Sunday, June 26

ELDER IN CHARGE - Jim Galloway
DEACON IN CHARGE - Delmas Carr

SONG LEADERS

AM -Rick Stanley
PM -Jim Galloway

PRAYER

9:30 AM -Kody Inman
Close -Len Haid
6:00 PM -Richard Cozad
Close -Jeff Taberner

SCRIPTURE

AM -Jim Merrill
PM -Bill Hoover
COMMUNION TABLE
AM -Walter Morgan
PM -Brian Haught
Jimmy Galloway

PA SYSTEM -Steve Gray

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Hershman crew.

They include Kevin Cochran,
Doug Hershman,
Doug Hinzman and
Kevin Inman.

Facts and Figures

June 12, 2016

AM Service.....278
Bible Study.....188
PM Service.....199
Wednesday.....171
Contribution\$8840.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016

Baptisms.....5
Restored or Requested
Prayers.....3
Placed Membership....9

Watch

"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"
each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP,
WCWP local Sunday at 7:30AM, Dish
Channel 239, Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT TV
Channel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable
Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday
7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday
5:00PM.

UPCOMING TOPIC

June 26
YOU CAN BE SURE

Friday Night Sing

The sing will be held Friday at
the City Park Bandshell at 7:00,
hosted by the North End
congregation.

Bring your lawn chair and join us.

If it rains, the sing will be held at
the North End church building.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Study.....11:00
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00