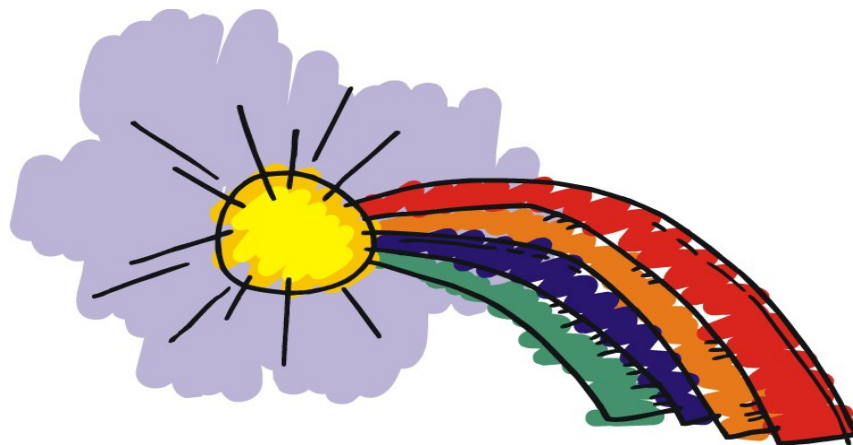


Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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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The Happiness in your life keeps you
Sweet.

The Trials in your life keep you
Strong.

The sorrow in your life keeps you
Human.

The Failures in your life keep you
Humble.

Faith in God will always keep you
Going.

Elders:

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

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Kevin Cochran
Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
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*Try to be a
rainbow in
someone's
cloudy day!*



Remember our church family in your prayers.

Kathleen Albright, Gary Alton, Russ Alton, Bob and Sharon Armstrong,
Pat and Kim Barclay, Harvey and Mary Caplinger, Peggy Cowdery,
Chelsea Doonan, Gloria Frazier, John Hall, Breck Hesselrode, Dustin Hughes,
Ray and Phyllis Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Lois Nulter,
Gene and Peggy Phillips, Jane Pralley, Bob Smith, Eloise Smith, Tammie Wilson

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce,
Melissa Burgess (Friend of Robin Anthony), Elijah Chuck Gibbs, Dorothea Haught
(Debbie Tallman's mother), Colleen Keister (John Rockhold's mother-in-law),
Dave Philips (Laura Tonkery's uncle), June Pugh (Ray Johnson's sister), Crystal
Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Barbara Richards (Jean Martin's sister), Susie
Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Anne Spokes (Gloria Frazier's sister), Randy Ware
(Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay
Stanley's aunt), Donna Vincent (Dearll Vincent's sister-in-law), Georgia Wilson
(Kim Barclay's mother), Linda Wires (Sister of Susan Haid and Richard
Marshall), Bonnie Young (Harold Shank's sister) Her address is: 6 Country
Road, Salt Rock, WV 25559. She suffered a fall.

Mrs. Slingluff is now a resident at Cedar Grove Assisted Living.
She would enjoy receiving cards. Also, keep her in your prayers.

Eleanor Slingluff
Cedar Grove Room 54
110 Nicolette Road, Parkersburg, WV 26104



♥ I want to thank everyone for all the cards, well wishes, and gifts for my
birthday. You are all a wonderful blessing from God. **Sonya Hescht**

♥ Thank you to everyone for all of the anniversary cards. We loved them.
Dennis and Sandy Keller

♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. **Paul Inman**

Church News

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 4 will conduct the services at Love and Care today at 2:30 and this Thursday evening at 7:00. Everyone is invited.

MEN'S MEETING - LADIES' MEETING

The Men's meeting and Ladies' meeting today at 5:00. (The Ladies' meeting is to plan the Ladies Inspiration Day we will host April 29. Ladies willing to help are asked to attend.)

BLOOD DRIVE

Our Red Cross Blood Drive will be tomorrow 1:00PM-6:00PM in the MP Room. The sign-up sheet is on the counter. Donors are still needed. See Marion Goldsmith for details.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, February 25 at 8:30 in the MP Room. The sign-up sheet is on the counter. II Corinthians 5 will be discussed.

TEACHERS MEETING

Teachers for the new quarter beginning April 2 will have a meeting Sunday, March 5 at 5:00 in Room 109.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will begin March 13 and meet every other week. Mark your calendar! We have jobs for everyone.

BIBLE BUSTERS - ALL AGES WELCOME!

Bible Busters meet every Sunday evening at 5:30 in the front of the auditorium.

LADS TO LEADERS-LEADERETTES

If you would like to make a monetary donation to send students to the LLL convention, please see or Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.

GOLDEN AGERS 2017 SCHEDULES

Golden Agers monthly trip schedules are available in both foyers. For more information, contact Dwain.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Daniel and Tabettha Rich. They were married Thursday, February 9.

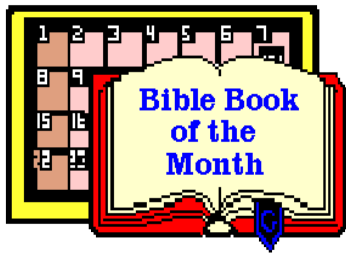
Daily Bible Reading

February 19 - Mark 1:1-28, Leviticus 14-15
February 20 - Mark 1:29-45, Leviticus 16-17
February 21 - Mark 2, Leviticus 18-19
February 22 - Mark 3:10-19, Leviticus 20-22
February 23 - Mark 3:20-35, Leviticus 23
February 24 - Mark 4:1-25, Leviticus 24-25
February 25 - Mark 4:26-41, Leviticus 26
February 26 - Mark 5:1-20, Leviticus 27

Daily Reading for our Bible class studies

February 20 - Genesis 28:1-4, 10-17, 29:9-30
February 21 - Genesis 30:1-24
February 22 - Genesis 31:1-13, 17-23, 36-37, 43-55
February 23 - Genesis 32:1-12, 22-32, 33:1-11, 17-20
February 24 - Genesis 35:1-4, 9-20, 22-29

This is the texts that our Bible classes study.



Reading Schedule - Philippians

February 19-25 (Philippians 4)

Review Questions: Philippians 3

Who does Paul warn against, and what were they trying to do? (vs. 2, Acts 15:1-6)

What is true of those who are the true circumcision? (vs. 3)

Name the fleshly accomplishments that Paul could have boasted about. (vs. 4-6)

How did Paul value these earthly accomplishments? (vs. 7-8)

Name five things that Paul said were his earnest desire. (vs. 9-11)

-To

-To

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What did Paul say that he had not already done? (vs. 12)

What was the “one thing” Paul said he did? (vs. 13-14)

Those who were mature would have the same _____ as Paul? (vs.15)

Whose example were the Philippians to follow? (vs. 17)

How did Paul describe those who are “enemies of the cross of Christ”? (vs. 18-19)

Where is our citizenship? (vs. 20)

What will Christ do when He comes again? (vs. 21)



Forgetting the Past ... Press On!

(Philippians 3:12-16)

Many are unhappy because they have not resolved their _____. Many have regret over past sin. "The wicked are like the _____ sea, when it cannot _____, whose waters cast up mire and dirt... there is no _____ says my God, for the _____" (Isa. 57:20-21). Others bear the burden of past disappointment or injury. We must learn to live _____ day at a _____. "Therefore do not _____ about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. _____ for the day is its own _____" (Matthew 6:34).

The apostle Paul struggled with the past. He struggled to live the Christian life. "For the _____ that I will to do, I do _____ do; but the _____ that I will not to do, that I _____" (Romans 7:19). "But I _____ my body and bring it under _____, lest when I have preached to others, I myself should become _____" (I Corinthians 9:27).

Four things needed to run the Christian life successfully:

- #1) Ambition: "Not that I have already _____, or am already _____" (Philippians 3:12).
- #2) Determination: "I _____ on" (Philippians 3:12)
- #3) Focus: "_____ thing I do" (3:13).
- #4) Direction: "_____ those things which are _____ and reaching _____ to those things which are _____. I press toward the _____ for the _____ of the upward call of _____ in _____: (Phil. 4:14).

Mature Christian thinking: "Therefore let us, as many as are _____, have this _____" (Philippians 3:15).

We must not look back. "No one, having put his hand to the _____ and looking _____ is _____ for the kingdom of God" (Luke 9:62). "Remember Lot's _____" (Luke 17:32). "Forgetting those things which are _____ and _____ forward to those which are _____" (Philippians 3:13).

Getting past our failings and sin. We must _____ and receive God's _____. "Repent and let everyone of you be _____ in the name of Jesus Christ for the _____ of your sins" (Acts 2:38). "For I will be _____ to their unrighteousness, and their _____ and lawless deeds I will _____ no more" (Hebrews 8:12). God's _____ gives us a new life. "Repent therefore and be _____, that your _____ may be blotted out, so that times of -- _____ may come from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19). "If we _____ our sins He is faithful and just to _____ us" (I John 1:9).

Getting past offenses. We must let _____. We must give _____. "For if you _____ men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father will also _____ you. But if you do not _____ men their trespasses _____ will your Father forgive _____ trespasses" (Matthew 6:14-15). Getting past disappointment. Sometimes we must forgive _____; accept what we cannot _____ and go on.



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Can you count your blessings?

Imagine what you and I would miss if we were to move from our country to any of the world's poorest countries...like Laos, Paraguay, Chad, Afghanistan, or Bangladesh. Can you imagine it? Someone has shared the following:

- Your home would be approximately as large as an American garage, if you had a home.
- Your family wardrobe would consist of one outfit per person, shoes for the head of the family and no shoes and few worn garments make up the rest of your wardrobe.
- In your pantry, if you had food you'd probably have dried meat and a few vegetables.

When reading this, our worries are little less worrisome, our cares are not as concerning and our wants are humbled and our needs are more focused.

When comparing our lives to others we are very blessed. We have food to spare and even throw away, we have wide selection of clothing and shoes. Our homes are warm and our cars are too! Then when it comes to the church we are even more blessed, we have many wonderful people we worship with, talented people that lead our worship and teach our Bible classes. We can look at our bulletin and bulletin boards around the building and there are many opportunities to continue to grow in our faith and to fellowship with other Christians.

With all these comforts and eases it is easy to take for granted the blessing we receive. But we have these blessings for a reason. They are there to remind us that God is good and that he has provided for us.

Ezekiel 34:26- 31 states, "And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing. And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them. And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid. And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more. Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, says the Lord GOD."

We often sing the hymn "Count your blessings, name them one by one, count your blessings, see what God hath done!" Have you ever really counted your blessings and really see what God has done for us?

The next time you start to criticize, grumble, or complain remember how blessed you really are! Think about it! Mark T. Tonkery

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, thank you for all the thoughtful birthday cards and kind words expressed during my birthday. I appreciated them so very much. May God bless each of you! Mark T. Tonkery

Teachers meeting - March 5 at 5:00 p.m. Room 109.

This will be for all teachers who will be teaching for the new quarter starting April 2.



CHRISTIAN WOMAN'S MAGAZINE

If you would like to purchase *Christian Woman* magazine, (home delivery) please make checks payable to Robin Anthony by March 19 for \$17.98 for each subscription.

This is an excellent magazine devoted to Christian women. Each issue is filled with practical tips on marriage/family, a Bible study, spiritual growth articles and much more.



If you would like to make a monetary donation to help send students to the LLL convention, please see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.



5th grade and under youth group will worship at the Slate congregation next Sunday for the morning service. See Kyle Inman for details.

Youth Events

February 20

Transportation will leave at 6:45 for the devotional at the Lubeck congregation.

February 24

Challenge Youth Conference

February 27

Transportation will leave here at 6:35 for the devotional at the 36th Street congregation.

March 5

Transportation will leave here at 3:35 for our youth to join the traveling youth group at the 36th Street congregation.

March 6

Transportation will leave at 6:35 for the OVU youth devo.

March 10-11

North End Youth Rally (Flyer on youth bulletin board)

March 24-25

Stark County Youth Rally

Prior to these events, let Jeff know if you plan to attend.

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Maybe you saw this summer on the news that the White House had all its lights changed to resemble a rainbow to commemorate the Supreme Court's ruling that allow homosexual couples to marry. It was marketed as "marriage equality".

For those who have chosen to follow God's will and to act morally and ethically in this world, it came across as another example of how our society has slipped further down the path of sin.

But you know something, God knows about rainbows too! The rainbow is not a symbol of a person's pride in their immoral lifestyle, but instead is a promise given to us by God. That promise specifically says that He will not destroy the world again by water, but that He will return again.

We know Christ is going to return. At that time, our actions on this earth will be used to judge us.

So instead of feeling bad the next time you see someone displaying a rainbow, take the opportunity to tell them about what the rainbow really means! In the end, when it comes to rainbows, God owns the trademark!!

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



Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, February 26

ELDER IN CHARGE - Dearll Vincent

DEACON IN CHARGE - Kevin Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Clayton Huber

PM - Kody Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Kody Inman

Close - Kevin Cochran

6:00 PM - Ryan Highman

Close - Paul Saunders

SCRIPTURE

AM - Dan Rich

PM - Ryan Gaston

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Gary Herridge

PM - Scott Johnson

Doug Hershman

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1—Jim Hlnzman

2—Cotton Sayre

4—Patty Sayre

PM

1. Kody & Chelsea Inman

2. Dustin Hughes & Dana Sponseller

3. Marion & Jo Goldsmith

4. Kelly & Sandy Sheppard

5. Ron & Peggy Riddle

6. Richard & Lorna Marshall



The Greatest Thing You Can Do

The greatest thing anyone can do for
God and man is pray.

It is not the only thing, but is the chief thing.

The great people of earth are the people who pray.
I do not mean those who talk about prayer; nor those
who say they believe in prayer; nor yet those who can
explain about prayer; but I mean those who take the time
to pray.

S.D. Gordon

*Think about it - It's something we all can do.
Let's pray for each other daily.*

OVU library is working on a collection of song books used by churches of Christ. Sonya Hescht is assisting with this. She is interested in one or two copies of each songbook. If you can help with this, see Sonya or email Sonya.hescht@ovu.edu.

Facts and Figures

February 12, 2017

AM Service.....275

Bible Study.....199

PM Service.....201

Wednesday.....207

Contribution\$7544.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016

Baptisms.....9

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....10

Placed Membership....13

41st Annual Men's Inspiration Day

March 4

Norval Park Church of Christ

9AM Registration, 9:00-12:30

Speaker: Andy Robison

Topic: Understanding Islam

Flyer on foyer bulletin boards

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....11AM & 7PM

Watch **"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"**

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on
WTAP, 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

February 26

RELIGIOUS CONFUSION

Friday Night Sing



The Mineral Wells
congregation will
host the Friday
night sing this
week at 7:00PM.

Friday night sing
schedules and the bus schedules
are available in the foyers.