

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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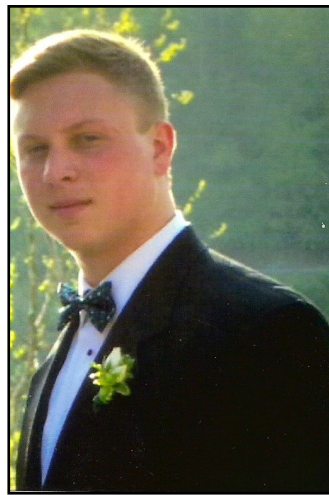
We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.

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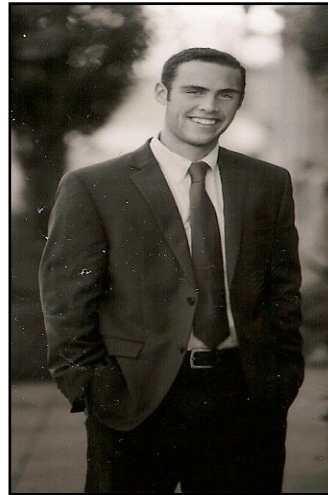
Congratulations on your graduation! Trust in the Lord...Proverbs 3:5.



Austin Hennen
Parkersburg High



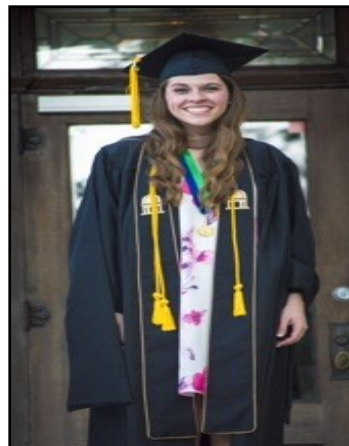
Brandon Lawson
Parkersburg South High



Hayden Moser
Parkersburg High



Madison Taberner
Parkersburg South High



Emily Saunders
Freed Hardeman University
BBA/MBA - Accounting



Devin Haid
Ravenswood High
Grandparents: Len & Susan Haid



Sarah Hinzman
Williamstown High
Grandparents: Jim & Sallie Hinzman



Alexandra McDuffee
Fairfield Union High
Grandparents: Dana & Cindy Slingluff

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
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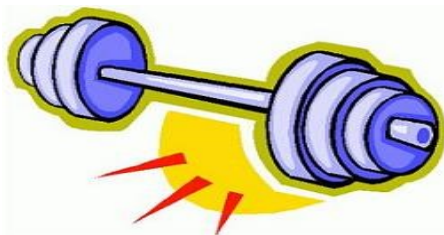
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Faith

It does not make
things easy - it
makes them
possible.
Luke 1:37



He gives strength to the weary and
increases the power of the weak.

Isaiah 40:29

Thank You Notes

- ♥ Thank you for the cards Henley and I received for our birthdays. **Kristi Hoover**
- ♥ Thank you for all of the birthday cards. I appreciate them all. **Jim Hinzman**
- ♥ Thank you all so much for our anniversary cards. **Gilbert & Lucille Hardman**
- ♥ Thank you, one and all, for the very thoughtful birthday reminders. You made "84" a special day for me. I am truly blessed. **Bill Pralley**



Devote yourselves to prayer.

Colossians 4:2

Remember our church family in your prayers.

Kathleen Albright, Sharon Armstrong, Pat and Kim Barclay, Harvey and Mary Caplinger, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Sheila Deems, Ray and Phyllis Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Gene and Peggy Phillips, Jane Pralley, Ray Sams, Bob Smith, Dorothy Weaver, Ruth Wells, Tammie Wilson

Riverside Hospital - Bill Lemley

Belpre Landing - Sheila Deems (Address: 1915 Hill Street, Belpre, OH 45714)

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Patty Alton, Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Gert Barnes, Melissa Burgess (Friend of Robin Anthony), Elijah Clark, Alan Eaton (Lois Nulter's son in GA), Tony Haid (Len's son), Heather Hoon, June Pugh (Ray Johnson's sister), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Barbara Richards (Jean Martin's sister), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt), Donna Vincent (Dearll Vincent's sister-in-law), Merl White (Terry Hofmann's father), Linda Wires (Sister of Susan Haid and Richard Marshall)



Please keep Todd Kirk and his family in your prayers. He will have surgery this Wednesday at the Ohio State University Hospital.

Eli Clark (Room 2B046)
Nationwide Children's Hospital
700 Children's Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43205

Please keep Eli and family in your prayers as he battles cancer.

Church News and Announcements

MEN'S MEETING - LADIES' MEETING

Men's meeting and Ladies' meeting today at 5:00.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE'S GET-TOGETHER

Everyone is invited to the High School graduate's get-together in the MP Room this evening after services.

CARE GROUP LEADERS MEETING

Care Group leaders meeting this evening after services in Room 109.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow in the MP Room at 5:45. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food items and attendance count.

GOLDEN AGERS PLANETARIUM TRIP

The Golden Agers will be visiting the planetarium on the Marietta College campus Thursday, May 25 at 3:30PM. The planetarium tour will last about an hour then we will eat at Bar-B Cutie in Marietta. Sign-up sheet is on the counter. See Dwain or Mark for details.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will be 8:30 Saturday, May 27 at the Golden Corral Restaurant. Please sign the sheet on the counter if you plan to attend. John 15 will be studied.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 2 will conduct the services at Love and Care next Sunday at 2:30 and Thursday, June 1 at 7:00PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend this time of worship and fellowship.

DEACON'S MEETING

Deacon's meeting next Sunday at 5:00.

GOLDEN AGERS AMISH COUNTRY TRIP

Golden Agers will be taking their annual spring trip to Amish Country Tuesday, June 6. Sign-up sheet is on the counter with agendas.

RICK STANLEY

Rick will be providing counseling services to all members at Camden Avenue. He will be in his office here at the building by appointment Tuesdays and Wednesdays 1:00-5:00. Telephone him at 304.210.2367 or 304.428.0531 to schedule an appointment or for more information.

OHIO VALLEY UNIVERSITY QUARTET

Everyone is invited to the OVU quartet sing Saturday, June 3 at 4:00PM-7:00PM at the Roberts Hall on the campus. \$5.00 admission, payable at the door.

Daily Bible Reading

May 21 - John 5:19-47, 1 Kings 8
May 22 - John 6:1-24, 1 Kings 9
May 23 - John 6:25-51, 1 Kings 10-11
May 24 - John 6:52-71, 1 Kings 12-13
May 25 - John 7:1-24, 1 Kings 14-15
May 26 - John 7:25-39, 1 Kings 16-17
May 27 - John 7:40-53, 1 Kings 18-19
May 28 - John 8:1-20, 1 Kings 20-21

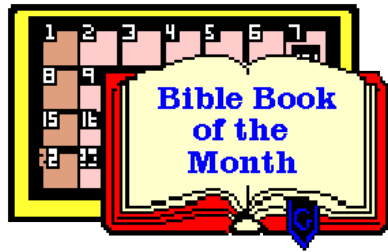


POSTAL FOOD DRIVE UPDATE

9850 pounds (5 tons) of food was collected for local pantries at the Postal Food Drive last Saturday.

Daily Reading for our Bible classes

May 22 - Exodus 16:22-36
May 23 - Exodus 17:1-7
May 25 - Exodus 15:1-18
May 26 - Exodus 15:22-27
May 27 - Exodus 16:1-3, 11-21



Reading for May 2017

May 21 - 27 - I John 4

May 28 - June 3 I John 5

Review Questions: I John 4

Why does John say that spirits must be tested? (vs 1) _____

What is the confession that shows whether one is of God or not? (vs. 3-4)

What is the proof that we know God? (vs. 7-8) _____

“Let us _____ one another, for love is of _____; and everyone who loves is _____ of God and _____ God. He who does _____ love does not know _____, for God is _____” (vs 7-8).

How did God who show his love for us? (vs. 9-10) _____

Since God love us, what should we also do? (vs. 11) _____

“In this is _____, not that we loved God, but that He _____ us and sent His _____, to be the _____ for our sins” (vs. 10). “Beloved, if God so _____ us, we also ought to _____ one another” (vs.11).

No one has seen God at any time, but what can we do that will make Him abide in us? (vs.12)

If God’s love is perfected in us, what can be true for us in the day of Judgment? (vs.17)

What is not found in love? (vs.18) _____

“There is no _____ in love; but perfect _____ casts out _____” (vs.18)

Why do we love God? (vs.19) _____

What is true of someone who claims that they love God, but they hate their brother? (vs.20)

“For he who does not _____ his brother whom he has _____, how can he love _____ whom he has _____ seen?” (vs. 20)

What commandment do we have from God? (vs.21) _____

Love One Another

I John 3:10-18



A new commandment: “A new commandment I give to you, that you _____ one another; as _____ have _____ you, that you also _____ one another. By this all will know that you are My _____. If you have _____ for one another” (John 13:34-35).

Brotherly love takes precedence. “Honor all men. Love the _____” (I Peter 2:17). “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do _____ to all, _____ to those who are of the household of faith” (Galatians 6:10). “Finally, be of one mind, having compassion for one _____; love as _____, be tenderhearted, be courteous” (I Peter 3:8).

What is brotherly love?

Brotherly love is a love that is _____ not _____. “The _____ love of the brethren” (I Peter 1:22). “Let love be without _____” (Romans 12:9).

Brotherly love is a love that is _____, not just _____. “My little children, let us not love in _____, neither in _____, but in deed and in _____” (I John 3:18).

Brotherly love results in _____ living. “With all _____ and gentleness, with longsuffering, _____ with one another in _____, endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace” (Ephesians 4:2-3).

Brotherly love is commanded. If someone says “I love God,” and hates his _____, he is a liar; for he who does _____ love his brother whom he has _____, how can he love _____ whom he has not seen? And this _____ we have from Him; that he who loves God _____ love his _____ also” (I John 4:20-21).

Brotherly love is the _____ of our love for God. “We _____ that we have passed from _____ to _____, because we _____ the brethren” (I John 3:14).

How do we show brotherly love?

By meeting his physical needs. “Whoever has this world’s good and sees his _____ in need, and shuts up his _____ from him, how does the love of God abide in him” (I John 3:17)? “Distributing to the needs of the _____” (Romans 12:13).

By meeting his spiritual needs. “Bear one another’s _____ and so fulfill the law of Christ” (Galatians 6:2). “Therefore, _____ one another and _____ one another” (I Thess. 5:11). “Now we exhort you, brethren, warn those who are _____, comfort the _____, uphold the _____, be patient with all” (I Thessalonians 5:14)



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Congratulations to our 2017 Graduates!

Romans 12:10 reminds us to honor one another, and graduation is certainly a time we should honor those who have put forth the hard work and have fulfilled the requirements that have brought them to this point in their life. So tonight, we would like to honor our 2017 graduates after our evening services.

Some time ago I came across "The Legend of the Cap and Gown." This story is a good reminder of what graduation is about and a reminder that it is just the beginning of new and exciting things for our young people. The story goes as follows:

"Long ago, in ancient Greece, when formal education was for the very rich or the very determined, a wise old teacher was approached by a group of noblemen. "Our sons have completed their studies and it is time for them to return to their homes and live in the style befitting their station. On the morrow, we will hold a great banquet in their honor and expect them to be dressed in their finest garment." The old man smilingly answered, "They will be there," and he added, "Appropriately dressed."

The following day, the banquet hall was filled with royalty and nobility dressed in dazzling jewels and costly finery. Then came the great moment when the students entered with their beloved teacher. A startled cry arose from the crowd. For here were their young men dressed, not in the garments of the noble, but in simple sackcloth robes, each carrying a mortarboard -- the mark of a common workman.

"Let me explain," spoke the teacher as he raised his hands for silence. "Your sons are dressed in the clothing of the mason, for their destiny is to build. Some will build cities, some will build lives -- perhaps one of them may even build an empire. But all will be builders in the solid foundation of knowledge."

And thus, over the years, the cap and gown have become a traditional part of graduation, symbolizing the fact that our young men and women are builders of their own future and the future of the world."

With this thought in mind we honor our young people who have and are going to continue to be trained to be builders of the church, builders of the future, and builders of the world. Keep up the great work! Mark T. Tonkery

Camp Hervida OVCYC : Senior week (14-18 years old) June 11-16; Junior week (8-11 years old) June 18-23 and Intermediate week (11-14 years old) June 25-30; See Mark T. Tonkery for details, he will be co-directing Jr. week.

Teachers - VBS Teachers - Helpers meeting – There will be a combined meeting of regular teachers and VBS teachers and helpers June 4 at 5:00PM in Room 109. See Mark T. Tonkery for more information.

Youth Section

High School Graduate's Get-Together

Everyone is invited to the High School graduate's get-together in the MP Room this evening after services.

Traveling Youth Group

Transportation will leave next Sunday at 5:50 to join the traveling youth group at the Sandyville congregation. Let Jeff know if you plan to go.

Church Camp Registration Forms

Registration forms on the counter for Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp and West Virginia Christian Youth Camp.

Bible Busters

Bible Busters meet Sunday evenings at 5:30 in the front of the auditorium.
All ages welcome!



Most local schools close Friday for summer break!

Have a fun, safe summer!

Remember to study God's Word!



END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR ICE CREAM PARTY

Everyone is invited to the MP Room this Wednesday evening after Bible study for an ice cream party to celebrate the end of the school year.

Items needs are listed on the sheet on the counter.



Church Camp

The list is on the counter in the foyer of items requested for OVCYC.

Items need to be left under the coat rack in the parking lot foyer by next Sunday, May 28.

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Do you have some decisions to make? What do I wear today? Should I take a different route to work due to construction? Should I have a bagel or an English muffin for breakfast?

Some decisions are much harder. Should I go to college or vocational school? Is this the person God wants me to marry? Should Grandpa live with us, or be put in a retirement home? Should I bail my troubled child out of jail or show him tough love and make him learn that there are consequences for bad choices?

Decision making is an act of responsibility. As we go through life, we have many important decisions to make. But the greatest decision and the one decision that gives wisdom to all other decisions we make is the decision to follow Christ.

1 Cor 2:2 states, "For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified."

As the old hymn states, "I have decided to follow Christ, no turning back, no turning back." What about you?

This is Mark T. Tonkery with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.



MOTHER



There is no one like dear mother
 On the old dark earth below,
 And you will never find no other
 Make no different where you go.
 I have thought in bygone days
 Of the things she's done for me,
 But I never knew her care
 Until I crossed the deep blue sea.
 And all who crossed the waters
 And have in this French [French] land
 roamed,
 Will surely love dear mother
 When they meet her back at home.
 So when you meet that mother
 Who's hair has turned to gray,
 Think of her, my dear brother
 As you did when far away.

Composed by: Sergt. Clayton Stanley

Written February 11, 1919
 By-Sergeant Clayton Stanley
 Of F.R.S. #344
 A.E.F. France

Clayton Stanley served as an Elder at Camden Avenue and was the father of Harold Stanley and the late Margie Cooper.

Submitted by: Larry Stanley



Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, May 28

ELDER IN CHARGE - Stan Inman

DEACON IN CHARGE - Steve Gray

SONG LEADERS

AM - Clayton Huber

PM - Brian Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ron Riddle

Close - Dennis Keller

6:00 PM - Don Gaston

Close - Brent West

SCRIPTURE

AM - Paul Saunders

PM - Josh Hall

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Bill Hoover

PM - Patrick Rine

Donovan Walton

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Paul Saunders

2 - Kevin Inman

4 - Tammy Kerns

PM

1. Dave & Lois Nulter

2. Bill & Sherry Hoover

3. Clayton & Verna Huber

4. Mary Daniel & Sue VanCamp

5. Don & Brenda Dougherty

6. Tammy Kerns & Martha Metz

Facts and Figures

May 14, 2017

AM Service.....293

Bible Study.....188

PM Service.....200

Wednesday.....198

Contribution\$7143.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2017

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership....0

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study..... 7:00

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 6:30 for the sing at the Lubeck congregation.

Everyone welcome!

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

May 21

Consider