

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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Everyone is invited to the church picnic
Saturday, May 20 at DuPont Park.
Meeting at 3:00 with dinner at 5:00.

Please bring items to go with hotdogs and hamburgers,
desserts and beverages.



(Hamburgers, hotdogs and buns will be provided.)



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
 Bill Hoover
 Rob Hoover
 Kevin Inman
 Kyle Inman
 Scott Johnson
 Todd Kirk
 Keith Smith
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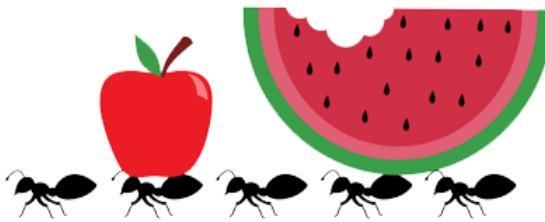
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Jealous people
 count other
 people's blessings
 instead of their
 own.



Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

Remember our church family in your prayers.

Kathleen Albright, Sharon Armstrong, Pat and Kim Barclay, Harvey and Mary Caplinger, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Gloria Frazier, Dustin Hughes, Cindy Huxley, Ray and Phyllis Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Dan McNemar, Linda Moncrief, Myrtle Metz, Gene and Peggy Phillips, Jane Pralley, Ray Sams, Bob Smith, Dorothy Weaver, Tammie Wilson

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Patty Alton, Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce, Melissa Burgess (Friend of Robin Anthony), Elijah Clark, Alan Eaton (Lois Nulter's son in GA), Kim Engalnd, Tony Haid (Len's son), Mike Hershman (Doug's uncle), Heather Hoon, Colleen Keister (John Rockhold's mother-in-law), Dan McAlarney (Friend of Dan McNemar), June Pugh (Ray Johnson's sister), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Barbara Richards (Jean Martin's sister), Linda Richards (Billie Coe'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), Merl White (Terry Hofmann's father), Linda Wires (Sister of Susan Haid and Richard Marshall)

Please continue to keep Todd Kirk in your prayers.
 He is scheduled for surgery May 26 at Ohio State University Hospital.

Camden Clark - Ray Johnson (Room 507)

We extend our sympathy to Geraldine Pahl in the passing of her daughter, Deborah Miller. Services were Friday in Parkersburg.



A warm thank you to all the ladies that worked hard to make our Ladies Inspiration Day a very nice event. Also, thank you to the men that worked at the church building Saturday.

- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful anniversary cards. **Stan and Debi Inman**
- ♥ I appreciate the birthday cards. They sure helped me have a special day. **Calvin Martin**
- ♥ Your birthday wishes meant a lot. Thanks for remembering me. **Bob Miller**
- ♥ I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful Birthday cards and wishes. They were greatly appreciated. **Susan Anderson**
- ♥ Thank you for all of the birthday cards, Facebook posts and well-wishes. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. **Sarah Buckley**
- ♥ Thank you for your prayers and support while I was experiencing health issues. **Linda Moncrief**

May the Lord fill your week with much love and laughter.



FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 4 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room following worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow in the MP Room at 5:45. Devotional and work assignments at 6:20. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food items and attendance count.

CPR REFRESHER COURSE

The CPR Refresher course will be Monday, May 15 the MP Room 6:00PM-9:00PM. Please sign sheet on the counter if you plan to attend. Marion needs an accurate class count.

CHURCH PICNIC

Everyone is invited to the church picnic Saturday, May 20 at DuPont park.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES GET-TOGETHER

Everyone is invited to the High School graduates get-together in the MP Room Sunday, May 21 after evening services. Our graduates include Austin Hennen, Brandon Lawson, Hayden Moser and Madison Taberner.

GRADUATES PICTURES

Pictures of the high school and college graduates will be featured in an upcoming bulletin. Submit pictures to Kimberlee or leave in the office. Include name and school information with the photo. Photos will be returned.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 2 will host the services at Love and Care Sunday, May 28 at 2:30 and Thursday, June 1 at 7:00PM. This is a wonderful time of fellowship and worship.

RAY AND PHYLLIS JOHNSON

Ray and Phyllis are in need of help in their home, possibly someone to stay some at night. If you can help or for details, please call them at 304.428.0342.

OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP (CAMP HERVIDA)

OVCYC sent a list of items they are asking us to donate. The list is on the counter in the foyer with details.

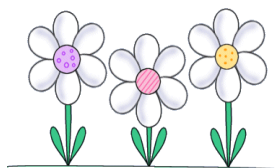
POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME COIN BANKS

Potter Children's banks are available in the foyers. A representative will be in here to collect them in June.

Daily Reading for our Bible class studies

May 8 - Exodus 13:1-10
May 9 - I Corinthians 5:7-8
May 11 - Exodus 11
May 12 - Exodus 12:1-28
May 13 - Exodus 12:29-51

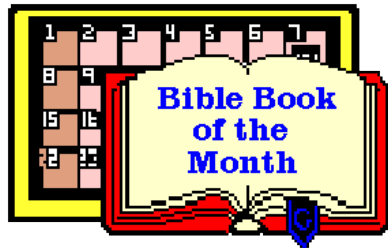
This is the texts that our Bible classes study.



A flower does not compete with the flower next to it, it just blooms.

Daily Bible Reading

May 7 - Luke 22:54-71, 2 Samuel 1-3
May 8 - Luke 23:1-25, 2 Samuel 4-6
May 9 - Luke 23:26-56, 2 Samuel 7-10
May 10 - Luke 24:1-12, 2 Samuel 11-12
May 11 - Luke 24:13-35, 2 Samuel 13-14
May 12 - Luke 24:36-53, 2 Samuel 15-16
May 13 - John 1:1-34, 2 Samuel 17-18
May 14 - John 1:35-51, 2 Samuel 19-20



Reading for May 2017

May 7 - 13 I John 2
May 14 - 20 I John 3
May 21 - 27 I John 4
May 28 - June 3 I John 5

Review Questions: I John 2

It is God's will that we not sin, but when we do, Jesus serves as our _____. (vs 1)

Jesus is the _____ not only for our _____ but also for the sins of the whole _____. (vs 2)

How do we know if we know God? (vs 3) _____.
He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His _____, is a _____, and the truth is not in him" (vs. 4).

The love of God is perfected in us when we do what? (vs 5) _____

What should a Christian who says he abides in Christ do? (vs.6) _____

What is true of a Christian who hates his brother? (vs 9) _____

"He who _____ his brother abides in the _____, and there is no cause for _____ in him. (vs 10).

John describes three levels of maturity among Christians: Little _____ (12), _____ (vs 13), and _____ men (14)

To the little children John says, "your _____ are forgiven (12) and you have _____ the Father (vs 13).

To the fathers he said "you have known Him who is from the _____" (vs 13).

To the young men he said "you are _____, and the word of God _____ in you, and you have _____ the wicked one" (vs.13).

What three things does John describe as being "of the world?" (vs 16) _____

What will happen with all of the things of this world? (vs 17) _____.

Who did Paul warn were coming to bring problems in the church? (vs 18)

He defines the antichrist as one who "_____ that Jesus is the _____" (vs 22).

"Whoever denies the Son does not have the _____ either; he who acknowledges the Son has the _____ also" (23).

What promise has God promise to those who abide in His teaching? (vs 25).

"And now, little children, _____ in Him, that when He _____-, we may have _____ and not be _____ before Him at His _____. (28).

"If you know that He is righteousness, you know that everyone who practices _____ is _____ of Him" (vs.27).

Sweet Fellowship (I John 1:1-7)



“If we say that we have _____ with Him, and walk in _____, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we _____ in the light as He is in the light, we have _____ with one _____, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son _____ us from all sin.” (I John 1:6-7)

Koinonea (Gk) Fellowship, community, _____, joint _____, a close _____, to share.

Fellowship - Is a shared _____ with _____. Fellowship begins with our _____ to Christ.

Fellowship - Is to _____ a family. God is our _____ - we are _____. “Whoever does the will of _____ is My _____ and My _____ and mother.” (Mark 3:35) **We must love as brothers and _____.** “If you do not _____ your brother whom you have seen, how can you _____ God whom you have _____ seen?” (I John 4:20)

Fellowship - Is to _____ a faith. We must of _____ of doctrine. “Endeavoring to keep the _____ of the Spirit in the bond of _____. There is one _____ and one Spirit, just as you are called in one _____ of your calling; one _____, one _____, one _____; one God and Father of all.” (Ephesians 4:3-6) **We cannot have Christian fellowship with unbelievers, those still in their _____, those who are _____ of Christ, and those who do not keep all of the Lord’s _____.** “I am a _____ of all them that _____ Thee, and _____ Thy commandments.” (Psalm 119:63) **We must have unity in our way of _____.** **We cannot have fellowship with a _____ brother.**

Fellowship - Is to _____ service.

Fellowship is sharing _____. Christianity comes with a _____; family means _____: I am my brother’s _____.

Bear one another’s _____. (Galatians 6:2)

Comfort one _____. (I Thessalonians 5:11)

_____ one another. (Hebrews 3:13)

Warn the _____; support the _____. (I Thessalonians 5:14)

Stir up _____ and good _____. (Hebrews 10:24)

Confess to and _____ for one another. (James 5:16)

Have _____ on one another. (I Peter 3:8)

The result of true fellowship. “And the Lord _____ to the church daily those who were being _____.” (Acts 2:47)



Church Camp

Counting the Costs of Church Camp

By Mark T. Tonkery

Snacks at the camp store about \$10.00.....Camp T-Shirt about \$10.00... Camp registrations \$115.00...A camping experience where God, the Bible, and the church are honored and respected. Invaluable. A Christian environment where you have an opportunity to make godly friends. Inestimable. A place, where one's faith in the Lord will be built up and one will be helped to get to Heaven. Priceless!

We often look at things, even church camp in terms of how much it will cost us but sometimes the price tag does not always tell us what we are paying for. Yes, if one goes to another camp such as 4-H, Scout, Band, or some sport camp they will learn valuable lessons that will be beneficial for every day life. But what about the many other benefits that a Christian camp can provide that are not listed in the promotional pamphlets or may not be found in other camps such as: meeting new godly friends, learning from mature Christians, to be encouraged daily to study God's Word, opportunities to ask Bible questions and be taught one on one and in small groups, experiencing God's creation in the outdoors, and to be strengthened in all areas of one's faith. There is no price tag on these and other priceless blessings one can receive by going to church camp.

Peter states in 2 Peter 3:18, "But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." How are we going to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord? Hopefully from the teaching and preaching by the church, parents, and personal study, but one can also grow in the grace and in the knowledge of our Lord by participating in church camp. For example: If you calculate the time a child spends in Bible class on Sundays and Wednesdays and compared it to the Bible teaching and training at a week of church camp; one week of camp would almost equal 6 months of Bible classes. Many Christians do not realize the great opportunities church camp can provide for our youth and how church camp is a mission field needing to be worked. In a book called, "The Gospel According to Generation X" the author surveyed teens and found that the most significant event for their faith development in the teen years was church camp. Church camp is an effective tool in the spiritual development of young people. Very few places in our day and time are influenced with the Christ centered teachings and influences as church camp.

Jesus reminds us in Luke 14:28 that if we are going to follow Him we must count the costs. When it comes to educating our children in the way of the Lord parents must also count the cost. How much would you pay to have a child develop into a godly and faithful Christian? How much would you give to have your children be encouraged and influenced by godly people? How much would you forfeit to have your children enriched in the way of God? How much are you willing to pay to help your child get to Heaven? Although church camp is not a guarantee that your child will go to Heaven, it does encourage the spiritual growth and well being of your child; where as other camps as good as they may be don't. God's word is clear if parents pray for, teach, model the Christian faith, and provide opportunities where Christian faith is encouraged such as church camp. Then children have a better opportunity to be faithful to the Lord than if they were left on their own to discover the Lord's Way. You must count the cost.

You are Invited to Church Camp:

✠ 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 Junior 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.

Mark and family are out of town today. He is preaching at the Beallsville, Ohio congregation.

Youth Events



Postal Food Drive

The 6th-12th graders are asked to help here Saturday, May 13 at 1:00 - Postal Food Drive. Let Scott know if you can help.

High School Graduates Get-Together

Everyone is invited to the High School graduates get-together in the MP Room after evening services May 21.

Traveling Youth Group

Transportation will leave Sunday, May 28 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 will meet Sunday evenings at 5:30 in the front of the auditorium. All ages welcome!

Congratulations to Haylee Smith, Carly Taberner, Bre Tonkery and Sami Tonkery. Their LLL Bible Bowl team won first place!

SAVE THE DATE!

June 7 - August 9 Wednesday Evenings

Details of our Summer Series are on the foyer bulletin boards.

June 19 - 22

Mid-Ohio Valley Work Camp

July 5 - 8

Vacation Bible School

August 14

Blood Drive in MP Room

September 23

31st annual Bible Bowl
It will cover the book of Luke (NKJV).

September 10 - 13

Fall Gospel Meeting with Phil Sanders

These are some of the events planned.
We hope everyone makes plans to attend.

Thank you for worshipping with the family at Camden Avenue!

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Well, are you having a bad day today, you may be having a pretty tough time? If you are think about this. The artist that mixes his paints with blood from his own broken heart; he is the one that paints the prettiest picture of all.

What makes the difference; our attitude. We can have the attitude like Pharaoh of Egypt, in the book of Exodus who, when confronted by Moses and the ten plagues from God, grumbled, and griped, and became stubborn, causing more woes to come upon him. Or, we can have the attitude of Job, who at the loss of all his possessions, his children, even his own health, succumbed to the will of God and remained faithful.

Hard times can make us strong. In the Bible Romans 8:28, tells us, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."

Do you love the Lord? If so remember, your bad day can get better; "in all things God works for the good."

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





Glasses for Guyana

We have a chance to help others!

Sally Shank will be going on a mission trip with David Newberry, Bob Crawford and eight OVU students to Guyana, South America in July. Along with conducting Bible studies, they will spend a day giving vision tests and distributing glasses.

You can help by donating your old reading glasses/sunglasses. (No prescription glasses.) Collection boxes are in the front and rear foyers.

Also, if you would like to make a donation to this mission effort it may be given to one of the elders. Please make checks payable to Camden Avenue Church of Christ earmark Guyana Mission Trip.



Lubeck church of Christ will have a Blood Drive tomorrow 2:00PM - 7:00PM in their Fellowship Hall.

Mid-Western Children's Home in Pleasant Plain, OH is seeking a case manager. This position requires a bachelor's degree (preferably in social work). For details, contact Barry Boverie, Administrator at 513.877.2141.



Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, May 14

ELDER IN CHARGE - Brian Haught

DEACON IN CHARGE - Steve Gray

SONG LEADERS

AM - Ben Haught

PM - Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Stan Inman

Close - John Hall

6:00 PM - Paul Saunders

Close - Jim Galloway

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ryan Highman

PM - Tim Proffitt

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Dearll Vincent

PM - Chris Mullins

Clayton Huber

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Dustin Hughes

2 - Kyle Inman

4 - Sarah Inman

PM

1. Barbara Cramlet & Margaret Dawkins

2. Steve & Linda Gray

3. Ira Kimes & Bill Pralley

4. Ryan & Madison Highman

5. Bob & Gala Miller

6. Mike & Teresa Wade

Facts and Figures

April 30, 2017

AM Service.....273

Bible Study.....215

PM Service.....204

Wednesday.....196

Contribution\$9008.18

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2017

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership....0

Friday Night Sing

Transportation will leave Friday at 5:30 for the sing at the Belle congregation.



All are 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 14
IN CHRIST

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study..... 7:00