

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, June 2 at DuPont Park.**

We will meet at 4:00 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:

Kevin Cochran
Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
Jon Hescht
Bill Hoover
Rob Hoover
Kevin Inman
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
Keith Smith
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Be yourself
no matter what
other people think.
God made you the
way you are for a
reason.



Never doubt the power prayer.

Camden Clark Medical Center - Connie Hickman
Bob Eddy is home recuperating.

Please keep them in your prayers and remember them with cards.

Our church family in need of prayers.

Sharon Armstrong, Colleen Ash, Pat Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr, Peggy Cowdery,
Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Bob Eddy, Jim Henry, Connie Hickman, Lole Johnson,
Phyllis Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief,
Debby Nesselroad, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Cotton Sayre, Bob Smith,
Dorothy Weaver, Tammie Wilson

Prayers requested for family and friends

Patty Alton, Gert Barnes, Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce, Eli Clark, Markita Conner
(Bill and Kay Mills' sister-in-law), Marc Farley (Brenda Dougherty's cousin),
Casey Freeman (Don and Brenda Dougherty's friend), Paula Garner (Julie Moser's
mother), Malissa Hackathorn (Jerry and Shelly Todd's friend), Tony Haid,
Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Judy Hughes (Melva Farris' sister),
Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's
brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter),
Dorcas Stanley (Sallie Hinzman's mother), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband),
Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece)

Please pray for Eli Clark and family as he faces health issues.

Let's all shower him with cards as he enjoys receiving mail.

Address: 499 Montgomery Hill Road, Walker, WV 26180

Nancy Inman and Anette Kirk are collecting donations for
a money shower for Daniel and Kira (Miller) Nygard.

They were married recently in North Carolina.

If you would like to donate see Nancy or Annette by June 9.



Thank You Notes

♥ Really appreciate your cards and well wishes following my accident.
I'm doing well and look for a complete recovery soon. **Walter Morgan**

Thank you to **Sallie Hinzman** for preparing the communion bread this month.

News and Announcements



DEACONS' MEETING

Deacons' meeting today at 5:00.

LOVE AND CARE SING

Everyone is invited to the sing at Love and Care tomorrow evening at 7:00.

CHURCH PICNIC

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BIBLE CLASS TEACHERS AND VBS WORKERS MEETING

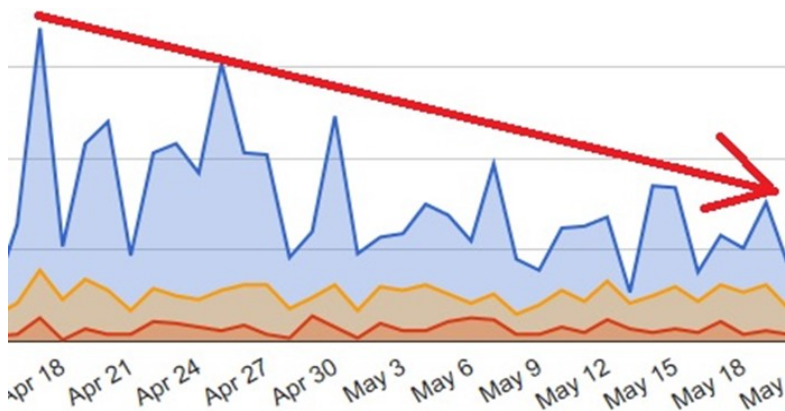
Mark would like to meet with Bible class teachers and VBS workers next Sunday at 5:00 in Room 109.

OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP - CAMP HERVIDA

OVCYC is asking for donations of supplies. The list is on the counter in the foyer. Items need to be left in the bin in the parking lot foyer by this Wednesday.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our VBS will be July 2-4 from 6:30-8:00 each evening. Please plan to join us and bring others.



I've noticed a steady decline in our use of the webpage over the last month. Is there something we need to do to improve the site for you? Please come see me at services or drop me a note at pcbarclay@aol.com, or the old way - just call me at 304.422.8085.

I'd love to hear from you. - Pat

Daily Bible Reading

May 27 - John 7:40-53, 1 Kings 18-19
May 28 - John 8:1-20, 1 Kings 20-21
May 29 - John 8:21-47, 1 Kings 22
May 30 - June 8:48-59, 2 Kings 1-3
May 31 - John 9:1-12, 2 Kings 4-5
June 1 - John 9:13-41, 2 Kings 6-7
June 2 - John 10:1-21, 2 Kings 8-9
June 3 - John 10:22-42, 2 Kings 10-11



The greatest test of faith is when you don't get what you want, but still you are able to say **THANK YOU LORD.**

Daily Bible Class Reading

May 28 - 2 Kings 23:1-20
May 29 - 2 Kings 23:21-23, 26-27, 31-32;36-37
May 31 - 2 Kings 21:19-24
June 1 - 2 Kings 22:1-13
June 2 - 2 Kings 22:14-20



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Should you take the Lord's Supper?

Pete Rose. Just the mention of his name brings to mind a number of thoughts, for many, mostly negative. One wonders how such a good baseball player ended up like he did? Rose once stated, "I was aware of my records and my place in baseball history. But I was never aware of boundaries or able to control that part of my life. And admitting that I was out of control has been next to impossible for me. I was aware of my privileges, but not my responsibilities."

Rose, in other words, refused to examine his life and take responsibility for who he was and what he was doing. This is a danger not just for baseball players, but to everyone who refused to examine his or her lives.

In 1 Cor. 11:17-32, Paul gives the Corinthians instructions and corrections about the way they were partaking of the Lord's Supper. In 1 Cor. 11:28 Paul explains that those taking part in the Lord's Supper must "examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup."

When it comes to taking of the Lord's Supper the Holy Spirit has directed us to examine ourselves. In light of scripture, the first person I must examine is myself. I must ask. "Have I taken responsibility for who I am?" James 1:22-25 reminds us that we must look in a mirror if we are to change. I must always work on me first. It is so tempting to look at everyone else and point out their problems, and by doing this we somehow justify our sins are not that bad. Jesus states in Mt. 7:3-5, "Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye."

Before we partake of the Lord's Supper, we should conduct a rigorous self-examination of our lives. "Involved in eating and communing with Christ is the embracing of him as Lord, and that involves the acceptance of his attitude, his ways. It involves the choosing of his spirit of self-sacrifice," (Jim McGuigan, I Corinthians Commentary p.159).

So as we take the Lord's Supper, we must examine ourselves to see if our attitude and lifestyle are such that glorify and honor Christ! One way we prepare for the Lord's Supper is examining the way we live, not living in continuous sin, but confessing our sins, and observing the Lord's Supper with a proper attitude and spirit.

Above a mirror in an employee's restroom was this sign, "Take a good look at yourself. This is what the customer sees." As we come together to partake of the Lord's Supper, have we taken a good look at ourselves in a mirror? What does God see? Think about it! M.T.T.

A Memorial To Remember

Tomorrow is Memorial Day. It means many different things for many different people. It is a 3-day weekend for some. It is the unofficial start of summer for others. Many will fire up the barbeque and throw on hotdogs and hamburgers. A few will attend parades or Memorial Day services at graveyards around the US. Regardless of how you choose to spend your Memorial Day, I would ask that you take time to pause and remember that the only reason we have the freedom to do these many things is because of the sacrifices of our military men and women defending our freedoms. This includes the freedom we are enjoying this morning here – the freedom to meet and to worship our Creator.

Each and every Sunday, the followers of Christ spend time remembering the ultimate sacrifice that Jesus made for us to give us the ultimate freedom – the freedom from sin. We call it "The Lord's Supper" or "Communion." It's a time that we meet Christ at the table and observe His command to remember Him and His sacrifice (1 Corinthians 11:24&25).

By Chad Donley Ham Lane Church of Christ, Lodi, CA.

The Lord's Supper

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:17-28



I. First, Jesus instituted _____ Matthew 26:1-28

A. Exodus 12:21-28 _____ Meal began.

B. 1 Corinthians 11:26 _____

C. Acts 2:42; 20:7 _____

D. 1 Corinthians 11:20-33 _____

II. Second, there is a “ _____ ” to the Lord's Supper.

A. I Corinthians 11:17-34 _____

B. Luke 22:30 _____

III. Third, there is a _____ to taking the Lord's Supper.

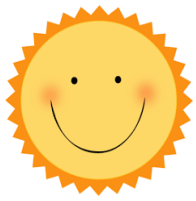
A. Acts 2: 42; 20:7 _____

P.M. Sermon: What is Satan doing?

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 11:14-15

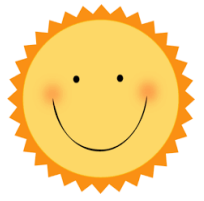
Bible Bowl Practice - Today at 4:30 p.m. for any youth from 1st-12th grades who would like to be in the Camden Ave. Bible Bowl. Sept. 15. We will be going over Exodus 3, 4, & 5.

See Mark T. for any questions.



2018 Summer Series

“The Precious Promises of God”



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| June 6 | Salvation - The Forgiveness of Sins (Ephesians 1:7) | Roger Rush |
| June 13 | The Gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38) | Mark Mason |
| June 20 | Membership in the Lord’s Church | Roger Massey |
| June 27 | Becoming a New Creature (2 Corinthians 5:17) | Dale Parsley |
| July 4 | Vacation Bible School | |
| July 11 | God’s Providential Care (Romans 8:28) | Dana Slingluff |
| July 18 | God Hears and Answers our Prayers (John 14:13-14) | Mark Tonkery |
| July 25 | The Power to Overcome Satan (James 4:7) | Steve Haguewood |
| August 1 | Divine Wisdom (Psalm 110:10) | Terry Jones |
| August 8 | A Peace that Passes Understanding (Philippians 4:7) | Steve Fuchs |
| August 15 | Blessed Assurance (Hebrews 6:11-12) | Randy Baker |
| August 22 | God will meet our Needs (Matthew 6:25-34) | Glenn Hawkins |
| August 29 | A Home in Heaven (John 14:1-6) | Terry Townsend |

Join us each Wednesday evening at 7:00 for our Summer Series!



A LITTLE FAITH IN A GREAT GOD

A woman was known for her simple faith, her faithfulness in Christian stewardship, and her peace and composure in the face of great difficulties. A stranger sought her out and asked, “Are you the woman with the great faith?”

“No,” she replied. “I am the person with a little faith in a great God.”

We may have faith in ourselves and fail, or faith in another person and be disappointed. But when our faith is centered in God, we can rest assured that everything will be all right. God will not disappoint us or let us down if we are attempting to do His will in our lives.

Attendance

“Whether you attend services doesn’t depend upon how far you live from the church building, but how close you live to God!”

Isn’t that true of almost anything we desire to do in life? It is true that we can say whether you attend services doesn’t depend upon how far you live from the church building, but how close you live to God. But couldn’t we just as easily say, “Whether you attend services doesn’t depend upon how tired you are, but whether you gain strength joined with brothers and sisters in the presence of God. Or perhaps, “Whether you attend services doesn’t depend upon whether or not friends stop by, but whether you show them by your example, what is really important in your life.”



I’m sure you could add to this list, but I would suggest to you that our time with God’s church is just as important as anything else in your lives. I know how hard it sometimes is to make the right choice, but when you weigh what the world offers against what God offers there is no comparison, God doesn’t offer free ball games or autographed pictures. He offers us a place to live with him forever.

Several scriptures jump to the front of my thoughts, but there’s one that may apply more than we would like to admit. The writer of Hebrews deals with the choices we sometimes make, as to where we chose to be. In Hebrews 10:24-25, he writes: “Let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.”

Bulletin Digest

A special thank you to everyone that made the High School Graduates recognition last Sunday evening very nice! Thank you to all that attended.
We are proud of all of the graduates!



Transportation will leave at 5:30 today to join the traveling youth group at the Rockport congregation.
Let Jeff know if you plan to go.

Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp
Senior Week for Ages 14-18 (June 10-15),
Jr. Week for Ages 8-11 (June 17-22),
Intermediate Week for Ages 11-14 (June 24-29).

Registration forms are available in the foyers.
See Mark for more details.

WE JUST WANT TO SAY... **THANK YOU!**

Julie Taberner has been employed as the morning receptionist in the church office.

She has accepted a position at Community Resources Inc. in the FaithLink Program.

We wish her well and thank her for her good work.

The Elders at Camden Avenue
(Pat, Jim, Brian, Paul, Stan, John, Ron, Paul, Dwain, and Dearll)

Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, June 3

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Inman
DEACON IN CHARGE - Kyle Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught
 PM - Ben Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Bill Hoover
 Close - Dave Nulter
 6:00 PM - Clayton Huber
 Close - Mike Wade

SCRIPTURE

AM - Paul Saunders
 PM - Josh Hall

COMMUNION

AM - Kody Inman
 PM - Dearl Vincent
 Kevin Inman

PA SYSTEM - Todd Kirk

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Mike Wade
 2 - Patrick Rine
 3 - Bev Rine

PM

1. Kody & Chelsea Inman
2. Richard & Lorna Marshall
 * Doors 3 and 4 - Unattended *
5. Don & Brenda Dougherty
6. Addie Miller & Betty Lamb

Facts and Figures

May 20, 2018

AM Service.....253
 Bible Study.....183
 PM Service.....211
 Wednesday.....188
 Contribution\$6386.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018

Baptisms.....0
 Restored or Requested
 Prayers.....2
 Placed Membership.....2

Services Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
 Bible Study...15 min. after worship
 PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM

Memorial Sunday Every Sunday

There have been many stories about people who are found walking around aimlessly who have no memory. They don't even know who they are. Nothing seems familiar. They do not know their families. They are lost in a foggy world of uncertainty where nothing is familiar. There are also those whose memories have faded away due to some disease.

I cannot even imagine what it would be like not to know what I have always known. Sure we all forget things from time to time. But, the inability to remember those things that have been the closest to us for years must be terribly frightening.

We might be guilty of taking our memory and our memories for granted. That's the odd thing about memory. As long as we have them, we may not give them as much thought and appreciation as we would if we suddenly lost all of them.

Memories are so important that God pointed out some things that we should remember. *"Remember Lot's wife."* (Luke 17:32) *"Remember the words of the Lord Jesus how He said it is better to give than to receive."* (Acts 20:35) *"Remember those who rule over you."* (Hebrews 13:7)

However, there is only one memorial that God set up for His people for perpetuity. It was instituted with these words to His apostles on the night in which He was betrayed, *"Do this in remembrance of Me."* (Luke 22:19) This memorial was given, also, to all Christians through the words of Paul in 1 Corinthians 11:24. It is a memorial fest intended to call to our memory the sacrifice of Jesus for the world. Now, every Sunday is Memorial Day for Christians.

Bulletin Digest - Mike Johnson



Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 6:00 for the sing at the Newport congregation in Ohio.
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 PROGRAM

June 3 - GOD HAS SPOKEN