

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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School Supply Give-Away

The items we need this year are:

Pencil top erasers, wooden/plastic rulers, college rule filler notebook paper, wooden pencils, folders, colored markers, children's scissors

Items may be left in the bin in the parking lot foyer.

The School Supply Give-Away will be Tuesday, August 7 from 6:30PM-8:00PM
in the parking lot foyer.

If you would like to help with this work, see Scott Johnson,

Elders:

Pat Barclay
Jim Galloway
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
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Bill Hoover
Rob Hoover
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Look back and thank
God.

Look forward and
trust God.

Look within and find
God.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
in everything give thanks; for this is the
will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Our church family in need of prayers.

Russ Alton, Sharon Armstrong, Colleen Ash, Pat Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr,
Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Jim Henry, Phyllis Johnson,
Nancy Kimes, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Jane Pralley,
Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Lenore Vaught,

Prayers requested for family and friends

Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce, Eli Clark, 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), Judy Ramsey (Rick Stanley's sister),
Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's
brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter),
Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece)



- ♥ Thank you for the get well cards. I also really enjoyed the one from the 1st-5th grade Wednesday Evening Bible class. **Gilbert Hardman**
- ♥ Thank you for the prayers, cards and all acts of kindness shown at the passing of our uncle. We appreciated everything. **Jerry and Shelly Todd**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards for my birthday. I enjoyed them very much. **Stan Inman**
- ♥ Thanks to all for the birthday gifts and cards I received. I was well pleased with everything. **Harold Stanley**
- ♥ I want to thank the 1st-5th grade Wednesday Evening class for my card. It really made my day! I look at it everyday. **Lenore Vaught**

VBS MATERIAL

VBS teachers are asked to return student registration forms and any unused class material to Mark as soon as possible.

DEACON'S MEETING

Deacon's meeting scheduled for today has been cancelled.

TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP

The traveling youth group will be conducting our evening service next Sunday.

LOVE AND CARE SING

Everyone is invited to the sing at Love and Care next Monday, July 30 at 7:00PM.

TEACHERS, ELDERS, AND DEACONS WORKSHOP

The Teachers, Elders, Deacons workshop will be Saturday, August 4 from 9:00AM-2:30PM at Ohio Valley University. Lunch will be provided. Flyers are on the foyer bulletin boards.

BIBLE CLASS PROMOTION DAY

Sunday, August 5 will be our Promotion Day for all Bible Classes. All children are asked to move up to the grade they will start for the new school year.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

There will be a meeting August 5 after evening services in Room 109 for anyone interested in working with the college students.

BLOOD DRIVE

Our Blood Drive will be Monday, August 13 in the MP Room 1:00-5:30. (All donors will receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card via email. Details are with the sign-up sheet.) The sign-up sheet is on the counter. See Marion for more information.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

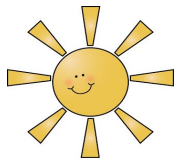
Congratulations to Elic Galloway. He has Perfect Attendance in the Sunday morning 2 year-old class for the quarter.

OVU INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

OVU is in need of host families August 7-11 for the international students. There is sign-up sheet on the counter. Host families are asked to provide housing, breakfast, transportation to and from OVU daily, also lunch August 11. Contact Sally Massey (304)312-6623.

Please stop by the Mission Bulletin Board and see the report from Tanzania, Africa. Adria Herridge had a very touching experience on the mission trip. - The Elders

SUMMER SERIES



Our Summer Series will continue this Wednesday evening at 7:00.

Speaker: Steve Haguewood

Topic: The Power to Overcome Satan

Please be here and invite others!



**GOD IS NEVER TOO BUSY TO LISTEN.
DON'T BE TOO BUSY TO TALK TO HIM.**

Daily Bible Reading

July 22 - Acts 19:1-20, Job 1-3
July 23 - Acts 19:21-41, Job 4-6
July 24 - Acts 20:1-16, Job 7-8
July 25 - Acts 20:17-38, Job 9-11
July 26 - Acts 21:1-16, Job 12-13
July 27 - Acts 21:17-40, Job 14-16
July 28 - Acts 22, Job 17-19
July 29 - Acts 23:1-22, Job 20-21

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

BAPTISM

What does the Bible say about Baptism?

The Purpose of Baptism

Acts 2:38 – It is when we repent of our sins and are immersed into water at which point our sins are forgiven and we receive the Holy Spirit.

Mark 16:15-16 – It is when we are saved.

Acts 22:16 – It is where we call upon the Lord and have our sins washed away.

1 Peter 3: 20-21 – It is when we are saved because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Acts 10:48 – It is the proper response to the preaching of the Gospel of Christ.

John 3:5 – It is where we enter the Kingdom of God

Galatians 3:27 – It is where we put Christ on.

Romans 6:1-6 & Col. 2: 12 – It is where we are buried with Christ and raised to new life.

There is only 1 baptism

Acts 18:25 -19:4 – One baptism in the name of Christ.

Ephesians 4:5 – Only one baptism in which we enter into Christ.

Baptism is being dipped, buried or immersed into water

Romans 6:3-5 – We are buried, immersed in water to get into Christ.

Acts 8:36-39 – Example of the Eunuch who was immersion.

John 3:23 – John’s baptism which prepared the way for the baptism Jesus authorized was done with much water, meaning immersion.

Who should be baptized?

Acts 8:12; 18:8 – Those who can believe the message of Jesus Christ.

Romans 3:23; Acts 2:38 - Those who need to repent of their sins.

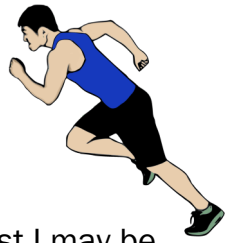
Matthew 10:38; Romans 10:9-10 – Those who can confess Christ their belief in Christ.

Have you been baptized into Christ in the way the New Testament teaches?

“And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.” (Acts 22:16)

Do Not Run in Vain

Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:14-16



- Philippians 2:16, “holding _____ to the _____ of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in _____ or labor in _____.”
- Definition of vain _____
- We must be careful that we do not run the Christian race in vain. What are some of the vain things we are to avoid?

I. Using the Lord’s _____ in vain.

A. Exo. 20:7 “You shall _____ take the name of the LORD your God in _____, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in _____.”

B. _____

II. Putting our trust in _____ things is vain.

A. Pro. 31:30, “Charm is deceitful, and _____ is vain, but a woman who _____ the LORD is to be praised.”

B. _____

III. _____ the Lord in vain.

A. Mat. 15:9, “in _____ do they worship me, teaching as _____ the commandments of men.’

B. _____

IV. Not _____ in Christ’s resurrection is vain.

A. 1 Cor. 15:14, “And if Christ has not been raised, then our _____ is in vain and your _____ is in vain.”

B. _____

P.M. Sermon: Five Facts about Afflictions

Scripture Reading: John 16:1-3,33

Who Left the Lights On?

Passing the church building where they attended the morning services one Sunday evening the little girl exclaimed, “Look Daddy, somebody left the lights on. We should stop and turn them off.” In silence the parents drove on. Later at home they decided that they had better start attending the evening worship, not only to satisfy the curiosity of their little daughter but their own consciences as well. If you passed the building on Sunday evenings, would your children wonder who left the lights on?

(Taken from the N. 10th at Clairmont Ave, Church of Christ, Cambridge, Ohio bulletin)



Will You Follow Through?

I can still hear the voice of a coach from junior high basketball days: “Follow through on your free throws! Follow your shot!” These two commands and others with similar instruction, sprang from a principle of athletics that says what you do after an action or decision is just as important as the action or decision to begin with. Follow through in arm motion can affect the direction of a shot or pitch. Following a shot may help a player get an important rebound, etc.

Spiritually, the principle of following through is just as vital. God wants us to do something just as surely as we hear and commit to it (James 1:22). And, God wants works that cooperates with our faith (James 2:19-26). So, let us think of some practical ways this principle can be applied in all aspects of our lives, and let’s do that by asking some important questions.

- **Will you follow through by confessing Jesus as your Lord everyday, by the life that you live? (Matthew 10:32-33)**
- **Will you follow through by remaining faithful to your spouse for as long as you both live? (Matthew 19:6)**
- **Will you follow through by raising the children God has given you (to train and mold) in the discipline and instruction of the Lord? (Ephesians 6:4)**
- **Will you follow through by teaching someone the gospel that was taught to you and resulted in your salvation? (Romans 1:16)**
- **Will you follow through by paying the financial debts that you have accumulated and pledged to pay? (Ecclesiastes 5:4,5)**
- **Will you follow through by working hard to support yourself and your family? (2 Thessalonians 3:10)**
- **Will you follow through by giving back to God a rightful portion of that which He has so richly blessed you? (2 Corinthians 8:7)**
- **Will you follow through by preparing yourself to be able to answer anyone who asks you a reason of your hope? (1 Peter 3:15)**
- **Will you follow through by being a friend at all times and encouraging your brothers and sisters? (Proverbs 17:17; Romans 12:15)**
- **Will you follow through by praying to God regularly? (1 Thessalonians 5:17)**
- **Will you follow through by being willing to die for God’s cause? (Revelation 2:19; 12:11)**

Well...Will you?



Brighten the Corner Where You Are

We cannot all be famous or be listed in "Who's Who,"
But every person great or small has important work to do,
For seldom do we realize the importance of small deeds
Or to what degree of greatness unnoticed kindness leads.
For it's not the big celebrity in a world of fame and praise,
But it's doing unpretentiously in undistinguished ways
The work that God assigned to us unimportant as it seems,
That makes our task outstanding and brings reality to dreams.
So do not sit and idly wish for wider, new dimensions
Where you can put in practice your many good intentions,
But at the spot God placed you begin at once to do
Little things to brighten up the lives surrounding you,
For if everybody brightened up the spot on which they're standing
By being more considerate and a little less demanding,
This dark old world would very soon eclipse the evening star
If everybody brightened up the corner where they are!

Helen Steiner Rice

(A special thank you to Corinna Francis for sharing a book of poetry and inspirational thoughts.)

Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

A father wanted to read a magazine but was being bothered by his little girl. Finally, he tore a sheet out of this magazine on which was printed the map of the world. Tearing it into small piece, he gave it to his daughter and said, "Go into the other room and see if you can put this together."

After a few minutes, his daughter returned and handed him the map - correctly fitted and taped together. The father was surprised and asked how she had finished so quickly. "Oh," she said, "On the other side of the paper is a picture of Jesus. When I got all of Jesus back where He belonged, then the world came together."

So many of us have had our world torn apart. The truth is we will never be able to fit it back together until we get Jesus back where He belongs.

Is Jesus where He belongs in your life? If not, we at Camden Avenue Church of Christ will be glad to study the Bible with you and help you put Jesus where He belongs in your life.

I am Mark T. Tonkery and this has been a minute of meditation.



Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, July 29

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Inman

DEACON IN CHARGE - Marion Goldsmith

SONG LEADERS

AM - Rick Stanley

PM - Ryan Highman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Walter Morgan

Close - Chris Mullins

6:00 PM - Jon Hescht

Close - Delmas Carr

SCRIPTURE

AM - Patrick Rine

PM - Todd Kirk

COMMUNION

AM - Clayton Huber

PM - Jimmy Galloway

Josh Hall

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Paul Saunders

2 - Patrick Rine

3 - Bev Rine

PM

1. Donovan Walton & Dana Sponseller

2. John & Linda Hall

* Doors 3 and 4 - Unattended *

5. Chris & Terry Hofmann

6. Jim & Sallie Hinzman



“THE CHOICE”

I dreamed that it was Judgement Day, it hit me pretty hard,

To meet my Maker face to face, and receive my reward.

As I stood there before Him, He sadly shook His head.

He turned the pages of the Book, and I was filled with dread!

He looked me squarely in the eye; I knew I'd lost the race.

Too many times I'd made the choice, and God took second place!

Author Unknown

Today you have the power within your grasp to change this horrible nightmare to that blessed assurance of a home in heaven with God. Yes, you have the ability to change your destiny, your eternal home, heaven or hell by the choices **YOU CHOOSE** to make.

In a hundred years it will not matter what type of car you drove, how big your house was, or even how well you could swing a golf club. What will matter is how true we have been to the Bible. John 12:48 tells us that it will judge us.

“And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” (Joshua 24:15)

Be sure you are making the **RIGHT CHOICES**.

Adapted from article in Bulletin Digest

Facts and Figures

July 15, 2018

AM Service.....282

Bible Study.....193

PM Service.....200

Wednesday.....170

Contribution\$6722.00

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

Friday Night Sing



Everyone is encouraged to attend!

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

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

July 29 - Be Diligent