# **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.

Bible Call 304.420.2416 - Recorded information on many Bible subjects

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# **Ladies Tea**



The Ladies Tea, "Tied with Love" will be this Saturday, March 30 at 12:00.

Remember to add your name and guest's name on the sign-up sheet on the counter in the foyer.

Submit photos of family members wearing an apron to be displayed at the tea. Please leave photo(s) in the box on the counter in the outer office today. Indicate your name and name(s) of the ones in the pictures. The pictures will be returned.

Pictures will also be taken during the tea to create wonderful memories, so feel free to wear or bring a special apron.

A special thank you to the ladies that have worked so hard planning and preparing to make this a special event.

## Elders:

Jim Galloway John Life Paul Saunders 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
Jeff Taberner

### Ministers:

Mark Tonkery 740.350.5713

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GOD FORMED US: SIN DEFORMED US: CHRIST TRANSFORMS US.



### In Christ we find:

Purpose for the pain.
Strength for the struggle.
Faith for the fight.

Borrowed

Belpre Landing - Sue VanCamp (Room 213)

### Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Gloria Frazier, Ben Haught, Jim Hughes, Phyllis Johnson, Annette Kirk, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Gene and Peg Phillips, Bill Porter, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Sue VanCamp

## Prayers requested for family and friends

Cindy Adkins (Kassi's mother-in-law), Patty Alton,
David Balderson (Sallie Hinzman's brother), Bob Boyce, Deloris Boyce,
Kelly Boyce, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother),
Sherry Haddox, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Bennet Haught (Brian Haught's
father), Blaine Hescht, Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), Dolores Kemp
(Friend of Mary Nesselroad), David Lawson, Carolyn Sue Miller, Ron Richards
(Courtney Richards' father-in-law), John Rockhold, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's
brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter)

Periodically we update our Prayer List, removing names if we have no recent updates on that person. Update the office of any changes.

# Thank You



- We want to thank all those who sent us anniversary cards. We enjoyed each one. We appreciate your thoughtfulness. Bill and Kay Mills
- Thanks to all of you for the cards and birthday wishes. I am so blessed and each of you are part of my many blessings. In Christian Love, **Penny Eddy**
- ▼ Thanks to all who gave us such nice cards for our birthdays. We enjoyed them all. Jim and Charlotte Galloway
- ▼ Thank you to everyone for the birthday cards. It made my day a little brighter.
  Billie Coe

Thank you to **Laura Tonkery** for preparing the communion bread this month. Also, thanks to Laura for bringing <u>lots</u> of delicious soup to MNFTM.

Thank you to **Jo Goldsmith** for the beautiful bulletin boards in the foyers and Room 109. They all look so nice. Great job!

# **Church News and Announcements**

### **MEETING TODAY**

Mark would like to meet this evening after services in Room 109 with anyone interested in helping with a VBS at the North East congregation in Galena, OH. This is where Dana preaches.

### LOVE AND CARE SING

The sing at Love and Care will be tomorrow evening at 7:00. Everyone is welcome!

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Mark will teach a Bible study this Wednesday at 11:00. This will begin an eight part series that will meet the last Wednesday of each month through October entitled "Lord, Teach Us to Pray." Everyone is welcome. We will go to Shoney's for lunch following the class for anyone that wants to join us. There is a sign-up sheet for an attendance count.

### LADIES TEA

The Ladies Tea, "Tied with Love", is fast approaching! This Saturday, March 30 at 12:00. Just a few reminders to help with making our afternoon enjoyable. Remember to sign your name and guest's name, so we will have an approximate count for lunch. Submit photos of family members in their apron, today if possible but later than Wednesday, March 27, please. We're anxious to see all of them. Also, pictures will be taken during the tea of all attending for a wonderful memory. So be sure to wear your apron! Looking forward to a special afternoon.

### LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES PICNIC AND SHOWCASE INFORMATION

If you would like to donate to the LLL picnic please sign the sheet on the counter. Everyone is invited to the LLL Showcase April 14 at 4:30 in the MP Room to view the projects. See Todd for more information.

### TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP

The Traveling Youth Group will attend the services at the Lubeck congregation next Sunday evening.

### MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will be Monday, April 1 in the MP Room 5:45 dinner/6:20 work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter.

### LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 4 will conduct the 2:30 service at Love and Care Sunday, April 14 and Thursday, April 17 at 7:00PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

### **BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER**

Kathleen Albright will celebrate her 91st birthday March 28. She would enjoy receiving cards from her Camden Avenue church family. Address: Willowbrook Christian Community, 100 Delaware Crossing West, Delaware, OH 43015, Attention: Kathleen Albright - Room 255.

## Bible Call ~ 304.420.2416



Hear Recorded Information on
Hundreds of Bible Subjects
24 hours a day - 7 days a week
Brochures are available in the foyers
with details.

Feel free to distribute to family, friends, and co-workers.

## **Daily Bible Reading**

March 24 - Luke 1:57-80, Deuteronomy 12-14 March 25 - Luke 2:1-24, Deuteronomy 15-17 March 26 - Luke 2:25-52, Deuteronomy 18-20 March 27 - Luke 3:1-18, Deuteronomy 21-22 March 28 - Luke 3:19-38, Deuteronomy 23-25 March 29 - Luke 4:1-15, Deuteronomy 26-27 March 30 - Luke 4:16-44, Deuteronomy 28-29 March 31 - Luke 5:1-16, Deuteronomy 30-31



# Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

# The Ministry of Prayer

In 2 Cor. 1:11 Paul asks the congregation for prayers by saying, "You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many." Often, we pray just for the sick or during some emergency, but Paul reminds us that prayer is part of our spiritual discipline and that when we do pray blessings will follow.

The following list are some suggestions on topics you may consider praying for to encourage us to be about the ministry of prayer.

- Pray, that God will use what we learn at worship and Bible study to work a spiritual change and growth in our lives.
- Pray, that wherever we are in our walk with God, we will be able to see God every day and continue to come to an understanding of who He is.
- Pray, that God will protect us from physical, spiritual, and emotional harm.
- Pray, that God will provide people peers in our lives who are positive spiritual mentors.
- Pray, that we will make good decisions regarding friends, male and female relationships, purity, priorities, and school or work.
- Pray, that we will be able to return to worship and Bible study regularly.
- Pray, that we will be active and faithful in the congregation.
- Pray, that we will honor and obey our Lord always.
- Pray, that we will develop and have godly friends, that encourage us in our faith.
- Pray, that we will grow spiritually and have a strong faith in God.
- Pray, that we will become the person God created us to be.
- Pray, that we will follow truth and reject lies.
- Pray, that we will have a desire to learn from God's Word.
- Pray, that we will learn and use our God-given talents.
- Pray, that we will avoid alcohol, drugs, and other addictions.
- Pray, that we will find a godly Christian mate or help us to have the strength to be a faithful mate if we are already married.
- Pray, that we will repent of all sin and accept God's forgiveness.

God wants us to pray right where we are, whereever we are, all the time. Prayer is something we can do here and now, no waiting, no traveling. Just do it now and do not wait until it is the last resort!

# **SERMON NOTES**

# What if we did not pray?

Scripture Reading: Text: James 4:1-3



Prayer is a powerful tool for the Christian. What if we did not pray?

. If we	do not pray, we will not receive	(James 1:5-8).
A.	It shows our lack of in God. Heb. 11:6	
В.		
I. If we	do not pray, we do not get what God	(James 4:2).
A.	and is shall be given you (Mt. 7:7).	
В.	For everyone who receives (Mt. 7:8; Jn. 16:24).	
C.	How much more will your father in Heaven give good gifts to those who Him (Mt. 7:11).	
D.	If you believe you will receive whatever you(Mt. 21:22).	for in prayer.
E.	You may me for anything in my name and I 14:14).	will do it (Jn
II. If we	e do not pray with the right motives, we will not have	(James 4:3).
A.	We God's work (2 Chronicles 7:14).	
В.	It shows our (Prayer is	) (Lk. 22:44).
C.	It shows that we do not believe prayer is	(Acts 6:4).
D.	It shows we do not care for (1 Timothy 2:1)	).
Praye	r works, because God works. Who are you praying for? What are	e you praying for?

P.M. Sermon by Mark T.

What is your life?

Scripture Reading: James 4:13-17

# DOUG'S DISCUSSION



Repairing Brokenness

The Japanese came up with a very interesting way of fixing broken pottery. The art of Kintsugi seeks to bring the pieces back together into a beautiful whole. They use a gold dusted lacquer to reseal the parts. The new golden lines throughout the piece can make the once broken pottery even more beautiful than the original. In this way each piece's history is celebrated instead of concealed. Perhaps the Japanese would have something to say to David when he proclaimed: "I have become like broken pottery" (Psalm 31:12).

There is no getting around the fact that sometimes our lives fall apart (at least a little bit). Sometimes a cherished friendship deteriorates without us even understanding why. Sometimes our bodies betray us. Sometimes our lives simply do not go in the way we expect. In these moments our proud, confident exteriors can crumble into a humble pile of broken pieces. But though we are crushed and our hope is gone a Japanese man may come by and say "Watashi wa sore o shusei suru koto ga dekimasu." That is, "I can fix that." Okay well, maybe since we aren't really pottery he would have trouble with the repair. But I know someone who could fix it.

After David said that he is like broken pottery he later says "But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, 'You are my God'" (Psalm 31:14). The Japanese have been making broken pottery beautiful for a few centuries, but our God has been at it a lot longer. Jeremiah was told to go to a potter's house in Jeremiah 18. There he saw a potter working with "clay that was marred" (18:4). However, it wasn't a problem for the potter, who just reshaped the clay into another pot. God then asks "Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?" (18:6). That's a good question for us to consider. I believe He can. I think God can reshape all our broken pieces into something beautiful. I think He does it every day. If you trust in the Lord even though you are broken I believe you will turn out more beautiful than you ever were in the end.



Fill your children with good thoughts before they go to bed. Ask them about their favorite part of the day, praise them for a good deed, pray with them, and tell them they're the best gift that God ever gave you.



**Elders** 

**Preachers** 

**Deacons** 

Wes for all he does!

Bible class teachers

Every member

Those that serve in the worship assemblies

**Door Greeters** 

Welcome Center

Security

Those that take care of the finances

No matter what **YOU** do...we appreciate **YOU**!

Thank you for worshipping with us!

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

# Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

The waitress came up to the customer and said, "I've got some devilled kidney, calf brain, pigs feet, chicken livers," the guy interrupted and said, "Forget it lady, I've got a headache, eczema, fallen arches, corns, three bunions, and an empty stomach - tell your troubles to somebody else and bring me some ham and eggs.

We've all got troubles.

Did you know that Bible says, Php 4:6, "...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." And in another place it tells us, 1 Peter 5:7, "casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you."

> Then in Matthew 11:28 Jesus encourages us, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy leaden, and I will give you rest."

> God says to bring all your troubles to Him, He cares for us, and He will give us rest. Isn't that good news!?

If you would like to learn more, contact me. I am Mark T. Tonkery with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ **GOOD NEWS** where you are always welcome.





### March 24-27

Mineral Wells congregation Speaker: Terry Jones

### March 24-27

Sandyville church of Christ Speaker: Andy Robison

### March 24-28

Bridge Street congregation Speaker: Phil Sanders

### April 6

Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies Day Lynn Street congregation Sign-up sheet is on the counter

### April 7-12

Salem Church of Christ Speaker: Rick Tincher

#### April 13

31st Golden Agers Day New Concord congregation

### April 27

Ladies Tea at 6th & Washington Streets congregation

Flyers on foyer bulletin boards

# Thank you for worshipping with us!

If you have any questions, please let us know. We offer informative tracts and Bible Correspondence Courses. We would also have a Bible study at your convenience.

Len Haid has made packets that are available on the counter in the parking lot foyer. They contain CD's and tracts. Feel free to take a packet and give one to a friend.

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.



March 31 - In Morality

## Friday Night Sing



The Friday night sing will be held at the Rosemar congregation this week at 7:00.

Everyone encourage to attend!

## Serving In Worship

Sunday, March 31

<u>ELDER IN CHARGE</u> - Dearll Vincent <u>DEACON IN CHARGE</u> - Doug Hershman

### **SONG LEADERS**

AM - Jim Galloway

PM - Ryan Highman

### **PRAYER**

9:30 AM - Steve Moser

Close - Kyle Inman

6:00 PM - Dwain Shears

Close - Cody Hoover

### SCRIPTURE

AM - Rick Stanley

PM - Bill Hoover

### **COMMUNION**

AM - John Hall

PM - Jimmy Galloway Delmas Carr

PA SYSTEM - Todd Kirk

### **DOOR GREETERS**

M 1 - Clayton Huber

2 - Verna Huber

3 - Josh Hall

### PM

1. Melva Farris & Mary Daniel

2. Mike & Pam Bayer

\* Doors 3 and 4 - Unattended \*

5. Mike & Teresa Wade

6. Dennis & Sandy Keller

# **Facts and Figures**

March 17, 2019

AM Service	257
Bible Study	191
PM Service	197
Wednesday	153
Contribution	\$7657.00

### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

Baptisms	0
Restored or Requested Prayers	
Placed Membership	1

## Services Times

### <u>Sunday</u>

AM Worship	9:30
Bible Study15 mir	n. after worship
PM Worship	6:00

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM