

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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*From the rising of the sun
to its going down*

*The Lord's
name is to be praised.*

Psalms 113:3

♥ IN OUR PRAYERS ♥

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Jim Galloway
Clayton Huber
John Life
Paul Saunders
Dearll Vincent

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Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
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Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Bill Camp, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Paula Franklin, Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Len Haid, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Jo Langler, Bill Lemley, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Jill Peters, Gene and Peg Phillips, Ed & Lois Porter, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, June Schultz, Theresa Steed, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent

Prayers requested for family and friends

Dani Barclay, Mark Berry, Betty Blair (neighbor of Dorothy Stevens), Kelly Boyce, Ron Coe, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Jeff Fitcher, Danny Guard (friend of Saunders) Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Norm & Judy Hall, Breck Hesselrode, Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), Brian and Judy Hunter (Kelly and Sandy Sheppard's neighbors), Roger Riddle (Ron Riddle's brother), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Seth Waggoner, Susan Williams

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

BIBLE CALL

304.420.2416

WWW.BIBLECALL.INFO

HEAR RECORDED INFORMATION ON HUNDREDS OF BIBLE SUBJECTS

24 HOURS A DAY - 7 DAYS A WEEK.

BROCHURES ARE IN THE FOYERS.

DISTRIBUTE THEM TO FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND CO-WORKERS.



THANK YOU



♥ Thank you for the anniversary cards and get well wishes while Cotton was in the hospital. We love our church family. Cotton & Patty

♥ Thank you all for the holiday cards, gifts and candies at Christmas time. I truly appreciate all of it very much. Plus the warm and loving reception I received after healing from my fall. I missed each and every one of you. It feels so good to be back worshipping God with you and serving you in His love. I love you all. Jo Langler

COME TO Me,
all you who
LABOR & ARE
HEAVY LADEN,
& I will give you
Rest.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNION BREAD

There is a sign up sheet in the foyer if you would like to sign up to make communion bread in 2020. There are four spots left will you fill one?

NOT ANOTHER HOLIDAY DINNER

January 20 at 6pm at Western Sizzlin. Singing by the Love's Quartet. Please give any donations to help with the cost of the singers to Mark T. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

AREA-WIDE WORSHIP SERVICE

Today at 2pm at North End church of Christ.

CLOTHING ROOM

There is a sign up sheet in the foyer for anyone willing to help work in the clothing room one month this year.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

The January book of the month is Matthew. Read and then sign up on the sheet on the bulletin boards in either foyer.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 4 invites everyone to the fellowship lunch after morning worship and Bible class today.

SING AT LOVE AND CARE

January 27 at 7pm. All are invited.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Pearls Bible study is continuing for the next few weeks. If you have not attended before we would still love to have you. It is Wednesdays from 6-6:45pm.

VBS MEETING

After evening worship Sunday, February 2 in room 109.

TEACHER NEEDED

There is a teacher needed for the Cradle Roll the class on Wednesday nights. See Doug Wells for questions.

USHERS & SECURITY ROOM

There will be a meeting at the building this Tuesday at 7pm for all ushers and those that work the security room. See Rob Hoover with any questions.

TONK TALK BY MARK T. TONKERY

The ABC's of a Happy New Year

The New Year brings reflection and the resolve to “do better.” So, as a congregation of our Lord’s church and as individual Christians, here are a few thoughts that might help us make the most of our new beginnings.

A- Be “affectionate,” not aloof. Our brethren of the first century believed in sharing their substance and their hearts (Acts 2:46-47; 4:32-35). “Togetherness” is one of the basic traits of Christianity (1 Cor. 1:10; Eph. 2:5-6, 21-22). So, this year, make opportunities to invite new friends into your life. [By the way, this is one of the essentials of successful soulwinning.]

B- Be a “blessing,” not a burden. I love the promise God made to Abraham: “I will bless you...and you shall be a blessing” (Gen 12:2). This year, share God’s blessings. Season the lives of others with your wonderful influence (Matt. 5:13-16). Lift their burdens. Lead them to Jesus. Bring them back to Jesus. Help them live like Jesus.

C- Be “constructive,” not critical. At best, none of us is perfect (Rom. 3:10). We make mistakes and, hopefully, look for ways to improve. Still, we are to “do all things without complaining” (Phil. 2:14). So, this year, let us “exhort one another, and build each other up” (1 Thess. 5:11). Be a member of the Lord’s construction crew, not the devil’s demolition crew.

Lord willing these simple “ABC’s” can help us launch a happier new year, a new you, and a new me.



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Sermon by Mark T. Tonkery
Jesus is Greater
Scripture Reading: Matthew 12:41-42

Introduction

A. What comes to mind when I say the word great or greatness?

B. _____

Discussion

i. Jesus is greater than the _____ (Matthew 12:6)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

ii. Jesus is greater than _____ (Matthew 12:41)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

iii. Jesus is greater than _____ (Matthew 12:42)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

P.M. Sermon by Mark T. Tonkery: **Overcome Worry**
Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:25-34

DOUG'S DISCUSSION

Eyes that See

There weren't many, but a few people recognized Jesus as the Savior even when He was an infant. Don't you think it's amazing that Simeon picked up a baby out of the crowd and said, "my eyes have seen your salvation" (Luke 2:30)? And Simeon was right. How did he know? How could He see the truth so early? The Bible says that Simeon was devout, and that the Spirit guided him. It was righteousness and closeness to God that gave this man uncommon perception.

When Jesus first started His ministry His message was: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near" (Matthew 4:17). Many of the people of Judea had been living for the world. Their sight was compromised as a result. Before the people could see Jesus for who He was they needed to change their ways. They needed to make God their Father instead of Satan. This change needed to happen sooner rather than later because a great spiritual event was taking place. A new day was approaching. Only those who had decided to live for God would see it.

Unfortunately, it is clear that many did not repent. Even after countless miracles the people still couldn't see who Jesus was. As Jesus approached Jerusalem to give His life He wept over the city. Terrible things would happen, the city would be destroyed. And Jesus says why: "because you did not recognize the time of God's coming to you" (Luke 19:44). You were too blind to recognize the Savior, even as He stood right in front of you.

Do you think you can recognize the work of God? I believe that God is at work this very day. Some are able to perceive His handiwork. Some are completely oblivious to it, even as God works right in front of them. If you want eyes that see I suggest you listen to Jesus. Repent! If you're living in the darkness you'll miss what God is doing in the light. But, as Romans 12:2 explains, turning from the world and spiritually renewing your mind gives you uncommon perception. You want to see what God is doing? Repent. The kingdom of God is here.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. Romans 12:2

→ YOUTH NEWS ←

TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP

January 26 at Little Hocking

MONDAY NIGHT MERGE

Monday nights beginning February 3rd at 7pm.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Dewey Avenue church of Christ, St. Marys WV

Winter Training Series Thursdays 7-8pm January 9th-30th.

Fishinger & Kenny church of Christ, Columbus Ohio

Teen Ohio Winter Lectures, January 24-25

Ohio Winter Lectures Raising Up a New Generation, January 24-25

MINUTE OF MEDITATION BY MARK TONKERY

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Max Lucado tells the following story: There were two shopkeepers that had stores next to each other. When one had a customer the other was jealous when one had a sale the other was angry. One night an angel appeared to one of the shopkeepers promising I'll give you anything you want but whatever you ask I'll give your competitor twice as much. You ask for a million dollars, I'll give him two. You ask for 50 years to live I'll give him 100. You ask for good health, I'll give him twice as much good health. Thinking for a moment the merchant bitterly responded, here is my request, strike me blind in one eye.

You know jealousy and efforts to hurt someone else always ends up hurting us first. Remember in the Bible how those who threw Daniel in the lions' den were the ones consumed? The jealous person is the one who ultimately suffers the most.

No wonder the Bible warns us not to be jealous of one another. I am Mark T. Tonkery and this has been a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome!

Serving In Worship

Sunday, January 19

ELDER IN CHARGE - Jim Galloway

DEACON IN CHARGE - Kevin Cochran

SONG LEADERS

AM - Clayton Huber

PM - Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Cody Hoover

Close - Paul Saunders

6:00 PM - Jimmy Galloway

Close - Doug Hershman

SCRIPTURE

AM - Bret Wilcoxon

PM - Ken Barnes

COMMUNION

AM - John Life

PM - Daniel Rich

Kody Inman

PA SYSTEM - Todd Kirk

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Clayton Huber

2 - Verna Huber

3 - Josh Hall

PM

1. Paul & Barb Saunders

2. Cotton & Patty Sayre

5. Kelly & Sandy Sheppard

6. Jeff & Julie Taberner

Facts and Figures

January 5, 2020

AM Service.....248

Bible Study.....188

PM Service.....181

Wednesday.....171

Contribution.....\$9670.10

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2020

Baptisms.....

Restored or Requested Prayers.....

Placed Membership.....

Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study....15 min. after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....11am & 7:00pm



Today- Fellowship Lunch

Today Area-Wide Worship at North End

January 19 Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meeting

January 19 Men's Meeting & Ladies Meeting

January 20 Not Another Holiday Dinner at Western Sizzlin

January 26 Traveling Youth Group at Little Hocking

January 27 Sing at Love and Care

February 9 Fellowship Lunch

February 17 Red Cross Blood Drive

February 28- March 1 Challenge Youth Conference

March 27-29 Science Vs. Evolution Seminar at Camden Avenue

April 16-19 Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes

"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.

January 19

"Were You There"



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Daily Bible Reading

January 13: Mt. 10:1-15, Ge. 28-29

January 14: Mt. 10:16-42, Ge. 30

January 15: Mt. 11, Ge. 31-32

January 16: Mt. 12:1-8, Ge. 33-34

January 17: Mt. 12:9-32, Ge. 35-36

January 18: Mt. 12:33-50, Ge. 37-38

January 19: Mt. 13:1-23, Ge. 39-40