


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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casting all your care upon Him,
for He cares for you.
I Peter 5:7

In Our Prayers

Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Linda Camp, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Carol Fleak, Paula Franklin, Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Len Haid, Gilbert Hardman, Carolyn Henry, Sandy Hughes, Phyllis Johnson, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Helen Miller, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Gene and Peg Phillips, Ed & Lois Porter, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, June Schultz, Theresa Steed, Dorothy Stevens, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent

Prayers requested for family and friends

Mark Berry, Betty Blair (neighbor of Dorothy Stevens), Kelly Boyce, Michelle Dailey, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Jeff Fitcher, Danny Guard (friend of Saunders), Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Judy Hall, Breck Hesselrode, Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), Brenda Jones (friend of Rosemary Merrill), David Pointer (Friend of Emma Hershman), Roger Riddle (Ron Riddle's brother), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Pam Vincent (Sister of Margaret Dawkins), Seth Waggoner, Susan Williams

Please update the office of any changes to those on the prayer list.
We update our Prayer List periodically, removing names if we have not recent updates on that person.



Thank You

- ♥ To all the ladies that have worked to help clean up the MP room before the funeral dinner on Friday.
- ♥ Thank you to everyone that came out to help clean and to all of those that are continuing to make sure the building is sanitized after each service.
- ♥ Thank you for all the nice gifts for our wedding shower. Cody & Tori Young
- ♥ Thank you, especially Mark and the rest of the church, for all the prayers and concern over my recent illness and the passing of my father. Allen Coe
- ♥ Thank you to our elders for their guidance through this difficult time!
- ♥ Thank you Mark & Doug for conducting Bible study for us in a unique way.

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Jim Galloway
Clayton Huber
John Life
Paul Saunders
Dearll Vincent

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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

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To
God
be the
GLORY
Great Things He Hath Done!

Announcements

FRIDAY NIGHT SING

This Friday, March 27 at Rosemar church of Christ.

ASK THE PREACHER

March 29, will be a questions and answers night for our evening sermon. If you have a Bible question you would like to submit please give it to one of our elders or to Mark. Thank you!

MOV LADIES DAY

April 18, at Barlow Vincent church of Christ program beginning at 9am. Sign up on the counter in the front foyer if you plan on attending.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

The book of the month for March is Luke. April's book of the month will be Psalms chapters 42-72. Read and then sign up on the bulletin board in either foyer.

Wednesday Bible Study

Join us this Wednesday evening, March 25, at 7pm on the Camden Avenue church of Christ Facebook page.

There will be singing and a Bible study conducted via Facebook Live.

Connect to our Facebook page.
Invite others to join our page.



BIBLE CALL

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24 HOURS A DAY - 7 DAYS A WEEK.

BROCHURES ARE IN THE FOYERS.

DISTRIBUTE THEM TO

FAMILY, FRIENDS,

NEIGHBORS AND CO-WORKERS.



Youth News

PROM ALTERNATIVE

May 2, 7pm. North End church of Christ is holding the prom alternative, Murder Mystery Dinner at OVU chapel. More info and registration forms available on the youth bulletin board.

YOUTH WEEKEND

May 29-30, Sponsored by Sunrise church of Christ at Cedar Lakes with Lonnie Jones. See the bulletin board for more info.

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

What to do when I cannot go to Church Services?



As I think about the current situation, with the coronavirus, it is very hard to know what to do socially and with regards to the church. I admit I am the first one to suggest that we should not cancel our worship services, but as I listen to different health care professionals and the warnings of our government, some people should not be out because of health reasons due to the coronavirus. During this unprecedented situation, we find ourselves making changes in our daily life to help us to avoid and not spread this virus. One of those changes is what to do about worship and Bible study.

What should we do if cannot get out to church services or what if our worship services and Bible study time are canceled? Here are some suggestions:

- **Have a family devotional.** As we read in the Book of Acts, we see that many times the early Christians met in their homes for worship, prayer, Bible study, sing, and partook of the Lord's Supper (Acts 5:42; 12:12; 16:15; 16:34) we may very well have to do this temporarily until this virus passes.
- **Read your Bible, pray and sing.** It might be you have no family and are unable to get out due to health reasons. So, you might want to take the example of Paul and Silas in Acts 16:25 who were in prison yet prayed and sang. Or John the Apostle in Rev. 1:10. He was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day. John was unable to assemble with the church so he did what he could and spent time with God anyway.
- **Other suggestions might be to listen to a gospel sermon on tape, CD, or online.** Camden Ave. has many past sermons on our web page, other faithful congregations' live stream their services as well. One could also go to In Search of the Lord's Way website <https://www.searchtv.org/2020resources.html> and watch their programs, as well as the GBN TV program <https://gbntv.org/> or WVBS <https://video.wvbs.org/> each can be looked upon the internet so one could watch their lessons. There are other webpages with sermons from our brotherhood: <http://www.audioevangelism.com/>; <https://bibletalk.tv/>; <http://www.keytothekingdom.com/KTTK/Resources.htm> and don't forget Bible Call.

We need to remember that just because one cannot make the services at the church building does not mean it is a day off from school or from work in which it is a free day to do whatever we want. Heb. 10:25 is still commanded and although we might be prevented from assembling for one reason or another, we need to still spend time with God and His people as best we can. Remember John the Apostle as he was banished to the Island of Patmos, for his faith, still spent time with God, on the Lord's Day (Rev. 1:10), may we strive to do the same if we are unable to assemble with the Body of Christ.

I realize that change is difficult, but I believe we are in a situation where we are forced to change, but we must not be forced to give up our time with God and our fellowship with one another. These suggestions are an effort to encourage each one to grow in our faith with God and our fellowship with one another, while at the same time trying to guard the health of our members and community during this unusual time.

Today's Sermon Notes:

A.M. Sermon by Mark T. Tonkery

F.E.A.R. In America

Text: Philippians 4:5-13

I. F- _____

II. E- _____

III. A- _____

a. Change - _____

b. Change - _____

c. Change - _____

d. Change - _____

IV. R- _____

1 John 4:18,

“Christ's love is the perfect defense against the physical and mental effects of fear.”

P.M. Sermon by Doug Wells: Always Yes

Text: 2 Corinthians 1:17-20



Today we received official news that the Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes annual convention has been cancelled. This is disappointing news, but we all understand the ongoing situation we are in. This is always an uplifting weekend to spend with our Church family and see the accomplishments of our youth. As I have said before the convention is a celebration for our kids, but the most important part of this process is the work and growth throughout the year in preparation. I know there are some details to work out with this cancellation. We will communicate the pertinent details to the congregation. Over the next few weeks, I would still like to recognize the effort that our youth have put forth.

Todd Kirk

Kasen Inman

Art Says It
Song Leading
Oral Bible Reading
Good Samaritan
Know the Books
Year-Round Bible Reading/Study
Year-Round Song Leading

Samantha Tonkery

Art Says It
Group Banner
Group Scrapbook
Bible Bowl Team
Bible Bowl Test
Second Language
Songs of Praise
Good Samaritan
Keepers
Know the Books
Read the Word
Teach to Teach
Year-Round Bible Reading/Study
Year-Round Songs of Praise
Mass Media PowerPoint
Pearls Test

Kaleb Cochran

Art Says It
Oral Bible Reading
Song Leading
Good Samaritan
Know the Books
Second Language
Bible Bowl

Liberty Wells

Art Says It
Good Samaritan
Read the Word
Pearls

Leah Hoover

Art Says It
Good Samaritan
Know the Books

Alexa Inman

Art Says It
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Keepers

IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT SCHEDULING AT CAMDEN AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Because of the Corona virus (COVID-19) concerns in our country, the eldership at the Camden Avenue church of Christ has determined to implement extraordinary, temporary scheduling changes. These changes will be in place at least through April 5. The changes are:

1. Sunday morning and evening worship services will still be held at 9:30 AM and 6:00 PM.
2. Sunday Bible classes will be cancelled.
3. Wednesday evening Bible classes will be cancelled – there will be no Wednesday services.
4. Monday Night for the Master originally scheduled for March 23 is cancelled.
5. The Apologetics Press seminar on “Science vs Evolution” is cancelled.

Additional measures will be implemented to help mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus at Camden Avenue. These include:

1. Thoroughly cleaning and sanitizing communion trays after each use.
2. Separating the communion bread into smaller portions to decrease contact while partaking.
3. Thoroughly cleaning and sanitizing the restrooms after each service.
4. Thoroughly sanitizing all door handles, door crash bars, and water fountains after each service. Sanitizing the pews and lectern, plus the chairs in each foyer.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are sick, please remain at home until you are well. Use your best judgement on attending services. We are trying to protect those who are most vulnerable. Thank you.

Minute of Meditation by Mark Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Thank God We Can Start Anew

It was a cold December night in West Orange, New Jersey in the year 1914, when the factory of Thomas A. Edison caught fire. The next morning, as Edison surveyed the ruins of his factory, he is quoted as saying, “There’s value in disaster . All our mistakes are burned up. Thank God we can start anew.”

What a perspective on things that seem so devastating. Maybe you have experienced a personal loss, a business failure, or a dream which was unsuccessful? How would you respond? Could we have the attitude of Edison, “Thank God we can start anew.” Here was a guy that was able to swallow his pride and start over.

Have you ever wanted to start over? In the case of moral and spiritual failures, there is forgiveness in Jesus Christ. The slate can be wiped clean and we can have a new beginning.

If you want to start over contact us at the Camden Avenue church of Christ and we will be glad to help you! I am Mark T. Tonkery and this has been a Minute of Meditation.

Serving In Worship

Sunday, March 29

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life

DEACON IN CHARGE - Steve Gray

SONG LEADERS

AM - David Epler

PM - Ryan Highman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ken Barnes

Close - Patrick Rine

6:00 PM - Bill Hoover

Close - Chris Hofmann

SCRIPTURE

AM - Len Haid

PM - Dylan Muncy

COMMUNION

AM - Jim Galloway

PM - Doug Wells

Dustin Hughes

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Mike Wade

2 - Paul Saunders

3 - Dennis Keller

PM

1. Jim & Charlotte Galloway

2. Chris & Terry Hofmann

5. David & Christine Epler

6. Clayton & Verna Huber

Facts and Figures

March 15, 2020

AM Service.....168

Bible Study.....119

PM Service.....143

Facebook Live Views.....327

Contribution.....\$4708.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2020

Baptisms.....2

Restored or Requested Prayers....1

Placed Membership.....3

Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study....15 min. after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00pm

April Birthdays

April 3- Pam Bayer

April 4- John Hall

April 5- Edwin Hoover

April 6- Calle Sheppard

April 6- Mike Wade

April 7- Amzie Inman

April 7- Ken Barnes

April 8- Amanda Cochran

April 8- Alex Saunders

April 9- Patrick Davis

April 10- Bev Rine

April 10- Sharon Smith

April 10- Sarah Wilcoxon

April 11- Kasen Inman

April 13- Steve Gray

April 14- Jimmy Galloway

April 15- Chris Hofmann

April 17- Dustin Hughes

April 17- Peg Phillips

April 18- Terry Hofmann

April 20- Bob Miller

April 20- Mariella Barnes

April 21- Lauren Proffitt

April 21- Rosie Knox

April 21- Carly Taberner

April 22- Henley Hoover

April 24- Lizzy Hoover

April 24- Lois Porter

April 27- Mandy Camp

April 28- Carolyn Davis

April 29- Sarah Buckley

SPECIAL DAYS
IN
APRIL



April Anniversaries

April 2- Bill & Betty Porter

April 4- Mike & Pam Bayer

April 6- John & Linda Hall

April 10- Dave & Loise Nulter

April 15- Doug & Alisha Hershman

April 16- Brian & Ann Knotts

April 21- Chris & Terry Hofmann

April 27- Gilbert & Lucille Hardman

Please let Laura know of any updates that need to be made.

"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 29

"Building Intimacy"

Daily Bible Reading

March 23: Lu. 1:26-56, Deut. 10-11

March 24: Lu.1:57-80, Deut. 12-14

March 25: Lu. 2:1-24, Deut. 15-17

March 26: Lu.2:25-52, Deut. 18-20

March 27: Lu. 3:1-18, Deut. 21-22

March 28: Lu. 3:19-38, Deut. 23-25

March 29: Lu. 4:1-15, Deut. 26-27