

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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## Thank you to everyone that worked to make our VBS a success!



# In Our Prayers

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Todd Kirk  
Paul Saunders

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Steve Gray  
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## **Our church family in need of prayers**

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Paula Franklin, Gilbert Hardman, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Donna McConnell, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Don Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Ray Peters, Peg Phillips, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, June Schultz, Theresa Steed, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Ruth Wells

## **Prayers requested for family and friends**

Morgan Amos (friend of Wades), Becky Ash (Tammy Kern's sister), Mark Berry, Delores Boyce (friend of Jo Langler), Kelly Boyce, Clarence Deloach, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), Beth Ferguson, Jeff Fitcher, Scott Gordon, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Judy Hall, Steve Higginbotham, Mike Hill (friend of Mike & Pam Bayer), Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Brenda Jones (friend of Rosemary Merrill), Chennie Jonas (Cousin of Sandy Hughes), Tom Little (Mark's uncle), Roger Oliver (friend of Clayton Huber), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), Glen & Karen Morrell, John Rockhold III, Michele Scherer, Gina Seller's (Co-worker of Susan Anderson), Candice Shaffer (Sandy Keller's niece), Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise's son), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Shawn Stephens, Jay Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Marv Williams, Susan Williams.

Please let the office know of any changes or updates to the prayers list.

## **Updates to the prayer list this week:**

- Lois Nulter
- Don Nesselroad
- Elena Gray is home but will be undergoing more testing and procedures.
- David Hoyt, nephew of Gwen Lucas having leg amputated.
- Dennis Keller- recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- Karen Life has been released from the hospital.

# Sympathy

- ♥ We extend our sympathy to Jon Hescht and family on the passing of his father Blaine Hescht. His funeral was last week.
- ♥ We extend our sympathy to Kay Stanley on the passing of her Aunt Dee White. She passed away Thursday.

# *Announcements*

**MOWING CREW-** Team 4 is signed up to mow this week. Team 4 is Kevin Cochran, Brian Haught, Bill Merrill and Dennis Keller.

**SUMMER SERMON SERIES-** Wednesday, Nathan Greene from Barlow-Vincent will be speaking on Renew your Focus.

**KINGS ISLAND TRIP-** August 9. With a group of 15 the price for tickets will be \$35.50 per person. There are also wrist bands available for each person, for all day drinks \$11.50, and All day food \$29.99. There is a sign up sheet on the counter in the front foyer. See Doug Wells with any questions.

**TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP-** July 25, 6:00pm at Ullman Street church of Christ in Beverly, Ohio. If you plan on riding the church van let Jeff Taberner know.

**LOCAL VBS-** Sandyville church of Christ July 19-23 6:00pm-7:30pm, Bridgeport church of Christ August 21 9:30am- noon.

**ELDERS, DEACONS, PREACHERS, & MENS MEETING-** Today at 4:00pm in the MP room.

**IN SEARCH PROGRAM-** The program for July 25th will be moved to CBS from 7:30am-8am due to the Olympics.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Fellowship Dinner - August 8

Celebration of Life for Dr. Charles Aebi at Barlow Vincent - September 4

Traveling Youth Group at Camden Avenue - September 26

Fall Gospel Meeting - October 3-6

Bible Bowl - October 9

West Virginia School of Preaching Lectureship - October 24-28

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# *Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery*

## We Cannot Just do Nothing

The historian Thomas Carlyle talks about Louis XV the king of France in the 1700s. He records that France was in terror, and chaos because of tyrants. When Louis XV became king, he was young and inspired the people of France so much that they affectionately called him “Louis the Well-Beloved.” This name was given to him, not because of anything he had done but what they had hoped he would do for France. The nation was looking for peace and believed their new young king could bring the stability they desired. Thirty years later, Louis XV lay sick, and France hated him. Why? Because for over thirty years he had done nothing.

In the book of Revelation, we learn about a church that did nothing. The church at Laodicea was lukewarm. Jesus declares in, Rev 3:15-16, “I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.”

Doing nothing is unhealthy for a king or for the church. Paul teaches in 2 Thess. 3:10, “If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat.” James 4:17, tells us, “So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.” James reminds us, doing nothing is a sin.

Read the book of Acts and notice that much of the Lord's work was done by Christians who volunteered their time and effort. One would also notice that very few were paid for their labors. Such is the case today; for the church to function as it should it needs members to work, labor, and to volunteer. Yes, some people will be paid so they can devote much more of their time to spreading the Gospel and building up the Kingdom, but the church still needs Christians to be great volunteers.

The Bible calls us to work and labor in the Kingdom. We each must put forth an effort to spread the gospel, to do works of service, and even to be in worship on the Lord's Day as well as throughout the week for other times of Bible study (Heb. 10:25).

Paul warns his readers in Rom. 12:6-8 to be diligent in their work for the Lord. Col. 3:23, states, “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.”

Question: Are we diligent in the work of the Lord? The Lord needs every member to be involved with the work of the church, we cannot just do nothing in the Kingdom of Christ.

Church, there is much work to do even Jesus acknowledges this in Mat. 9:37-38, “Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Will you pray for laborers to work in the Kingdom of Christ, better yet will you be a laborer and worker in the Kingdom? Think about it! Mark T. Tonkery

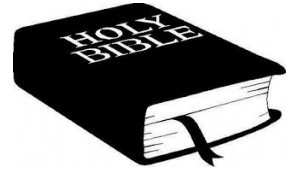
## Thank you!

With the above said, I want to thank the workers, helpers, teachers, givers, and everyone who supported our Vacation Bible School last Saturday. We had over 130 people here and there was a lot of work put into VBS. Thank you to everyone who helped with VBS. It was a great day for our children and those who worked. God Bless you!!! Mark T. Tonkery

**Summer Sermon Series** - Mark T. will be speaking at Barlow-Vincent's Summer Series Sunday, July 18, and North End's Summer Series on Wednesday, July 21.

# Today's Sermon Notes

A.M. Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery  
**Jesus and the Adulterous Woman**  
Scripture Reading: John 8:1-11



- I. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Jn. 8:1-6.
- A. Adultery is \_\_\_\_\_ wrong.
  - B. Leviticus 20:10 and Deuteronomy 22:22 \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. John 18:31 \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. John 7:1, 25, 32, and 44 \_\_\_\_\_
- II. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Jn. 8:6-7
- A. Jer. 17:13 \_\_\_\_\_
- III. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Jn. 8:7-9
- A. John 3:17-18 \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Luke 19:10 \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. John 12:47-48 \_\_\_\_\_
- IV. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Jn. 8:10-11
- A. Romans 5:6 \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Romans 5:8 \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Rom. 6:23 \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. 2 Corinthians 5:21 \_\_\_\_\_
  - E. 1 John 2:2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - F. Mt. 7:13-14 \_\_\_\_\_
  - G. Rom. 6:1-3 \_\_\_\_\_

Finally, Do you need to accept God's Substitute for your sin?

P.M. Sermon: Doug Wells

**Make room for the bride of Christ**

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:25

# *Doug's Discussion*

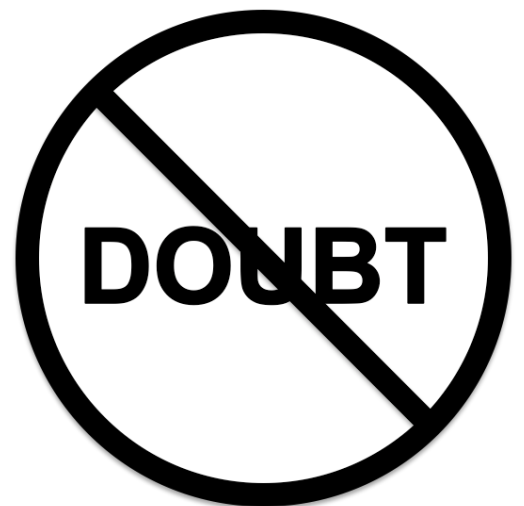
## Noah's Not a Myth

When European settlers came to Hawaii they heard an interesting story from the indigenous people. A legend had been passed down about the earth becoming a wicked place. Only one good man was left, and his name was Nu-u. This man made a great canoe with a house on it and filled it with animals. In this story the waters came up over all the earth and killed all the people; only Nu-u and his family were saved.

Pretty interesting, right? I wonder if any Christian settler opened their Bible to show the natives the story written by the One who was actually there. “The Lord saw how great man’s wickedness on the earth had become . . . But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord” (Genesis 6:5,8). “I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish. But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark – you and your sons and your wife and your son’s wives with you. You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures . . .” (Genesis 6:17-19).

Today it isn’t hard to find someone who would say the flood and the ark are myths. But if that’s true, where did the Hawaiian’s story come from? How about the similar legends found in Persia, Syria, Egypt, Italy, Russia, China, India, Peru, and a whole bunch of other places? Kind of interesting that all these ancient cultures came up with the same myth together. Clearly these stories have a basis in ancient historical truth . . . a truth you can find every time you open up your Bible.

When you have devotional time, and you open up scripture, never doubt that what you read is true. The flood happened in the way God describes. Creation happened in the way Genesis explains it. Jesus came and died just like the Bible says He did. Will there be plenty of doubters? Sure. But I’m not one of them. If your heart is open enough to accept the evidence you won’t be either.



## *Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery Heard on 910am WLTP*

When I say the words, “cancel culture” I am sure it brings up all kinds of emotions and opinions. But what if we would start our own “cancel culture movement” what if we would share a good word and cancel the nasty words. What if we would tell the truth and cancel the lie. What if we would smile and cancel the frown. A word of encouragement cancels discouragement. Prayer cancels anxiety. Helping people cancels apathy. Giving cancels stealing. And love cancels hate.

The Bible tells, (Gal. 6:10), “So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

The Bible also states, (Eph. 4:32), “Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.”

Let’s make it our goal to do good, be kind, tenderhearted, forgiving, and cancel evil.

## *Pantry Request*

Each Care Group is being asked to bring in the following items to help keep our pantry stocked. Place them on the table in the pantry.

**Care Group 1-** Boxed/Bagged Potatoes

**Care Group 2-** Chicken Noodle Soup

**Care Group 3-** Pancake Mix

**Care Group 4-** Individual Cups of Fruit Cocktail

Thank you for your help!



## *Thank You*

- ♥ Thanks to all who sent me cards and well wishes on my birthday. I enjoyed every one of them. Stan Inman
- ♥ Thank you all for the birthday cards and well wishes texted to me for my birthday. I had a wonderful day. Robin Anthony
- ♥ Thank you for the kindness and cards at the passing of my aunt. Billie Coe
- ♥ Thank you to everyone for the prayers for my surgery. Dennis Keller

# Serving In Worship

## July 25, 2021

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders

DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

### SONG LEADERS

AM - John Life

PM - Brian Haught

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ryan Gaston

Close - Bill Camp

6:00 PM - Jeff Taberner

Close - Doug Wells

### SCRIPTURE

AM- Daniel Rich

PM - Jon Hescht

### COMMUNION

AM - Stan Inman

PM - Jimmy Galloway



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### Service Times

#### Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Class.....15 minutes after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

#### Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00pm

### Facts and Figures

July 11, 2021

Sunday AM Service.....210

Facebook AM Service Views.....147

Sunday Bible Class.....146

Sunday PM Service.....115

Facebook PM Service Views.....139

Wednesday PM Service.....130

Facebook Wed. PM Views.....131

Contribution.....\$5624.00

#### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2021

Baptisms.....3

Restored or Requested Prayers....1

Placed Membership.....

## August Birthday's & Anniversaries

2- Cassie Hennen

2- Nancy Stanley

2- Paul & Nancy Inman\*

2- Bella Inman

4- Scott Johnson

4- Bob & Sharon Armstrong\*

7- Richard Cozad

7- Bill Davis

8- Bill Camp

8- Ed Porter

8- Hannah Shears

8- Charlotte Deem

10- Ron Riddle

10- Donna Tice

10- Marion & Jo Goldsmith\*

10- Brandon & Calle Sheppard\*

17- Sallie Hinzman

17- Steve & Linda Gray\*

18- John Life

19- Lois Nulter

19- Ryan & Cheryl Logston\*

19- Dwain & Kimberlee Shears\*

20- Drew Hershman

20- Chad Turner

22- Bill Lemley

22- Ray Sams (92nd birthday)

22- Dearll Vincent

24- Larry Stanley

26- Sherry Sponseller

27- Linda Gray

27- Karen Life

27- Eloise Smith

27- Brandon Sheppard

27- Clyde Yoho

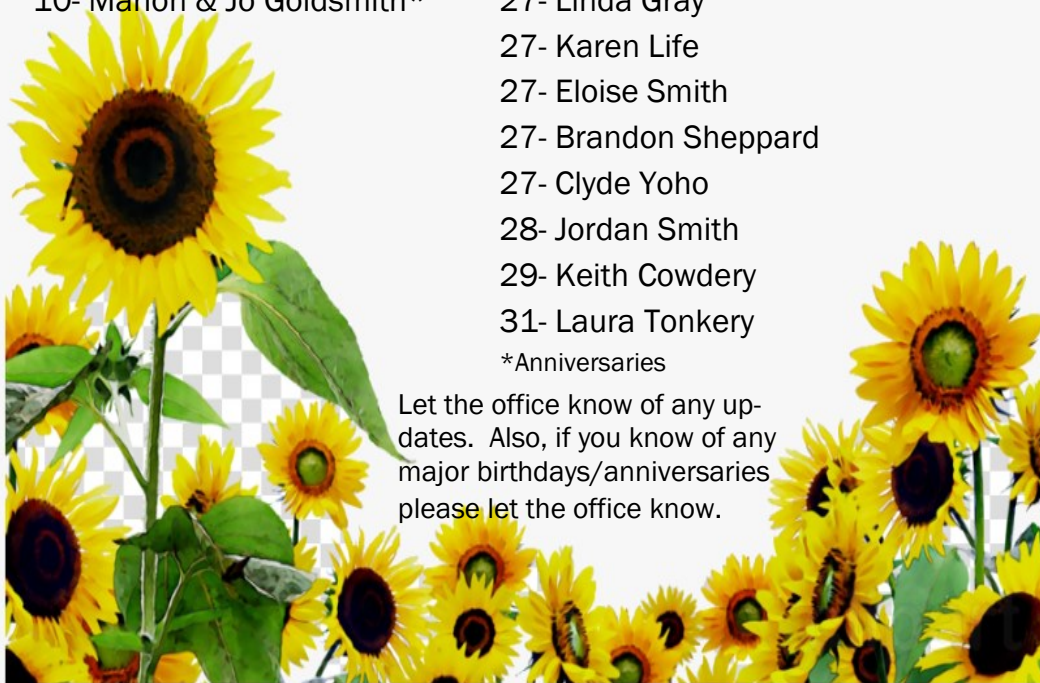
28- Jordan Smith

29- Keith Cowdery

31- Laura Tonkery

\*Anniversaries

Let the office know of any updates. Also, if you know of any major birthdays/anniversaries please let the office know.



**In Search of the**  
**Lord's Way**  
**Sunday**  
**mornings**  
**at 7:30**  
**on WTAP**

### Daily Bible Reading

July 19: Proverbs 7 - 9

July 20: Proverbs 10 - 12

July 21: Proverbs 13 - 15

July 22: Proverbs 16 - 18

July 23: Proverbs 19 - 21

July 24: Proverbs 22 - 24

July 25: Proverbs 25 - 27

*"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."*