

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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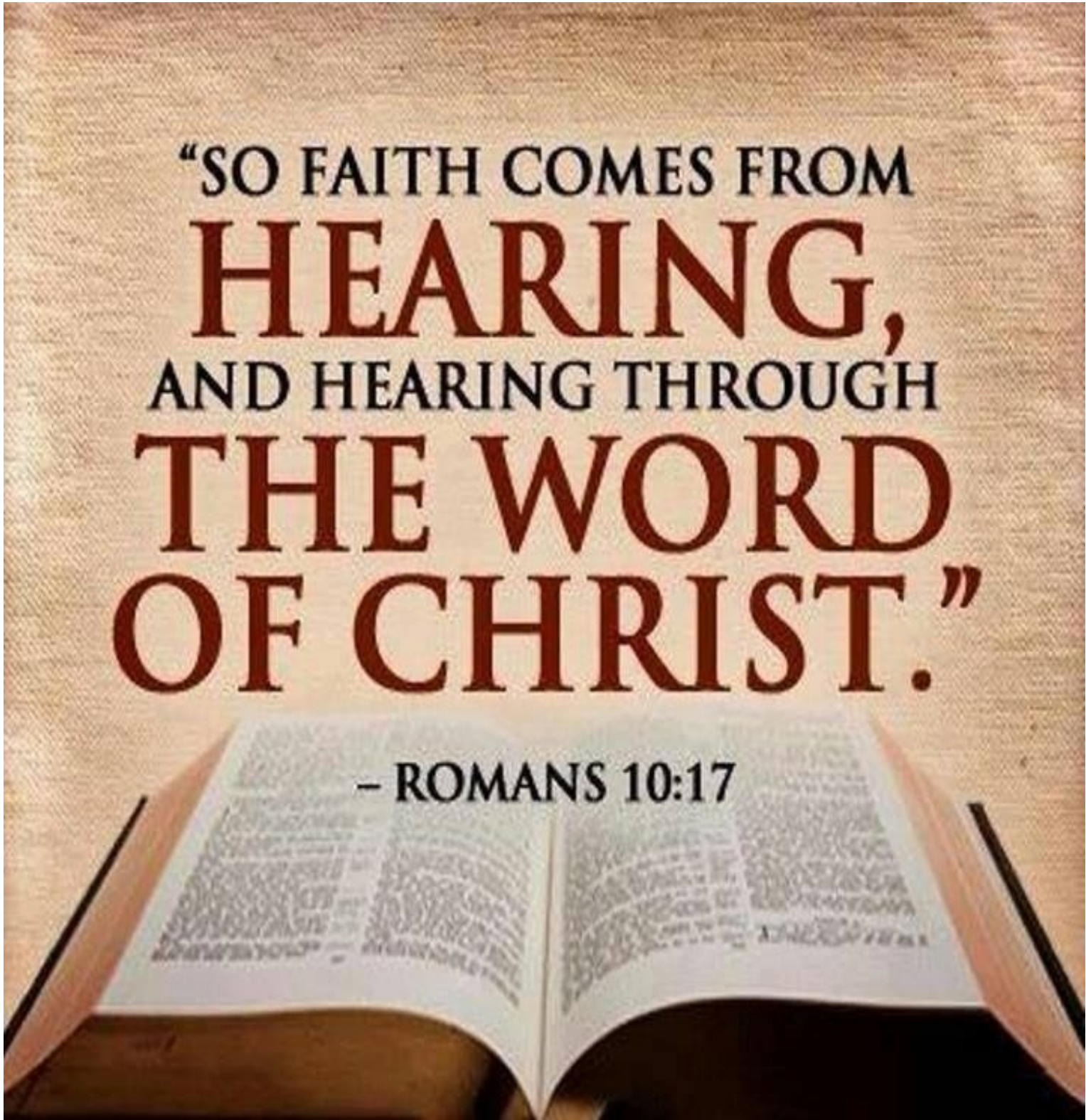
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“SO FAITH COMES FROM
HEARING,
AND HEARING THROUGH
THE WORD
OF CHRIST.”

– ROMANS 10:17



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In Our Prayers

Our church family in need of prayers

Bob Armstrong, Belinda Buckley, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, De Fleak, Paula Franklin, Sandy Graham, Carolyn Henry, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Shirley Martin, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Don Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Ray Peters, Peg Phillips, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Theresa Steed, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Joyce Wright

Prayers requested for family and friends

Morgan Amos (friend of Wades), Becky Ash (Tammy Kern's sister), Mark Berry, Jeff Bigler (Becky Inman's father), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Delores Boyce (friend of Jo Langler), Kelly Boyce, Ila Clark (Scott Johnson's Aunt), Roy Clark, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), 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), Greg Kirkbride (friend of Paul Saunders), Barb Loy (Raeanne Wells' mom), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), Randy Modesitt (Brittany Gray's uncle), Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister), John Rockhold III, Korbin Schaner (Great-Grandson of the Eplers), Michele Scherer, Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise's son), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Shawn Stephens, Jay & Lana Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Susan Williams.

Updates to the prayer list this week:

- Jay Chevront in Special Select Hospital in Newark, Ohio.
- Ray Sams in Belpre Landing.
- Gary Herridge is having health problems.
- Dorothy Stevens in Belpre Landing.
- Teresa Steed- had knee replacement surgery.
- Sandy Graham
- Jeff Fitcher
- Peg Phillips is in Camden Clark Hospital.
- De Fleak is in a Columbus hospital.
- Nona Huxley, Cindy Huxley's mother-in-law is in the hospital with pneumonia.
- Joe Wilson

Sympathy

- ♥ We extend our sympathy to Chris Tallman and family on the passing of his mother, Willadean Tallman. Her funeral was held last week.
- ♥ We extend our sympathy to Eloise Smith on the passing of her brother. There will be a memorial at a later date.

Announcements

VISITORS- We are happy you can be with us today! Please complete a visitor card and place it in the basket on the communion table.

BOOK OF THE MONTH- February book of the month is Joel. Read and then sign up on the bulletin board.

CYC DONATIONS- If you would like to donate to help with the cost for those attending the Challenge Youth Conference (CYC) please see Jeff Taberner.

ELDERS, DEACONS, PREACHERS & MEN'S MEETING- Today at 4pm in the M.P. Room.

CYC MEETING- There will be a brief meeting Today after P.M. Services in room 109.

VBS MEETING- March 6 after P.M. Services to discuss the date and theme. Meet by door 6.

TEACHER NEEDED- for the Cradle Roll class on Wednesday evenings beginning in March. See Doug Wells if you can help.

WEDNESDAY MORNING CLASS - The last day for the 11am class will be March 9.

MONDAY NIGHT MERGE - Feb. 21 at 7pm, At Rockport church of Christ

LADIES DAY - March 5 at Fishinger Road church of Christ. More information on the bulletin board.

YOUTH RALLY- At Lubeck church of Christ, March 5. RSVP by Feb. 26. More information on the Youth board.

MEETING - At Pine Grove church of Christ March 26 from 9am-1:30pm. Speaker Doug Burlison of Freedhardeman University. More information on the bulletin board.

CARE GROUPS- Ladies please fill out the Care Group Volunteer sheet. There are extra copies on the table in the front foyer. The sheets can be given to any care group leader or placed in the basket on the front table.

GRIEF SUPPORT CLASS- there is a sign up sheet on the counter if you are interested, or see Mark Tonkery. The class will begin March 7 at 1:00pm in room 109 and is open to anyone.

YOUTH RALLY- AT North End church of Christ, March 18 & 19. More information on the bulletin board.

NOTE: Due to CYC the office will be closed Friday and Eddie Cooper will be guest speaking on Sunday.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE- Tomorrow, Monday from 12-6pm. There is a sign up sheet on the counter for those that would like to give blood. Watch the bulletin the next couple of weeks for more important information.



save lives.
donate blood.

How often can I donate? You must wait at least eight weeks (56 days) between donations.

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

How do we use our words?

Every day we humans use words. We use words to talk to our families, we use words at our places of work and school. We even “text” words and use our words on social media. The important question is how are we using our words?

There once was a 44 year-old man who became ill in the middle of the night. His wife called the rescue squad to rush him to the hospital. When his wife was allowed to see him in the hospital room he was hooked up to tubes and machines, instead of being happy to see her, he berated her by saying, “If it wasn’t for your big mouth I would not be in this shape.” Those were his last words to her as he died shortly afterward. I cannot imagine how this wife felt upon hearing those last words from her husband, but my guess is this was not the first time she was berated by her husband.

How do we talk to our spouses, children, parents, or close friends? “Researchers have determined that because of the way the mind and memory work, we need to hear eleven positive statements just to counterbalance one negative statement” (Willard Tate). In a book entitled *Traits of a Healthy Family*, the number one trait listed was effective communication. The Bible has been telling us to do this all along.

The Apostle Paul writes in Ephesians 4:29, “Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear” Then Ephesians 4:32 explains, “Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.” And in Colossians 4:6, “Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.”

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Colossians 4:6**



I wonder how much better our relationships would be if we would use our words wisely and think about the words we used before we said them. What if we would be kind and tenderhearted in the way we used our words? How many good things have you said today?

Today's Sermon Notes

A.M. Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery

Return to the Lord

Scripture Reading: Joel 2:12-13

“ _____, therefore,” says the LORD, “ _____ to _____ with all your _____, With _____, with _____, and with _____.” So rend your heart, and not your garments; _____ to the _____ your God, For He is gracious and _____, Slow to _____, and of great kindness; And He _____ from doing _____.” Joel 2:12-13

I. Return to the Lord with _____ Joel 2:12

II. Return to the Lord with _____ Joel 2:12

III. Return to the _____ Joel 2:13

IV. Return to _____ Joel 2:21-27

P.M. Sermon: Doug Wells

Respect this Gift

Scripture Reading: Romans 2:3-4

Doug's Discussion

In the Presence of Greatness

I think a lot of people have the idea that they wish Jesus was still walking the earth. I'll admit it, I'm one of them. I just think it would be so cool to see Jesus in that way, maybe even witness a miracle or two. Jesus would probably tell me to just be glad of the time I live in now, reminding me that He once said "It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away the Counselor will not come to you" (John 16:7). So yeah, having the Spirit-inspired complete Word of God is great. But can you even imagine literally walking with Jesus? Wow.

Of course, in practice that's not something that everyone enjoyed. Jesus wasn't big on hypocrisy and He wasn't afraid to publicly call people out on it. I think there were a few Jewish leaders who wished Jesus lived a little further away. Jesus knew all the intimate and embarrassing details of everyone's life – and there was a woman at a well who was very keen to change the subject. And then there was the incident with demons and pigs in Matthew 8. After being cast out the demons possess the pigs who dive to their deaths in the lake. Then "the whole town went out to meet Jesus. And when they saw him, they pleaded with him to leave their region" (Matthew 8:34). These people LITERALLY asked Jesus to go away.

There are several who think having Jesus around like He used to be would be a great thing. But I suspect some of those people would quickly grow uncomfortable were Jesus actually standing before them. God in the flesh was an overwhelming experience. Even the apostle Peter begged at first: "Go away from me Lord; I am a sinful man!" (Luke 5:8). So . . . do I think it would be great to be in the presence of Jesus? Yes. I also think it would be overwhelming and humbling. I missed out on this experience on earth – but I still think I need to be prepared. Someday every knee will bow before our Lord and Savior. On that day some will wish they were anywhere else. Others will be filled with awe. What will being in the presence of the Savior be like for you?

"Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father. " **Philippians 2:9-11**

Food Pantry

For the month of February the following items are being requested.

Care Group 1- Syrup

Care Group 2- Chef Boyardee (Spaghetti & Meatballs)

Care Group 3- Macaroni & Cheese

Care Group 4- Cereal

Thank You

- ♥ We want to thank those who visited and sent cards for the funeral of Frank. Vaught Family
- ♥ From the bottom of my heart, I wish to thank you for the prayers, phone calls, and messages during my time of illness. I know that prayer is the reason that I am getting stronger each day. Much Love, Tammy Kerns
- ♥ Thanks to everyone that sent birthday and get well cards during my hospital stay and while recuperating. Special thanks also for the food. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Joyce Wright
- ♥ Thank you to everyone who sent Birthday cards and messages on social media for my birthday. Thank you very much for your thoughtfulness and kind words. Mark T.
- ♥ Thanks to everyone for the cards of encouragement and the prayers offered during my recovery from surgery. Don Dougherty
- ♥ Thank you so much for all the beautiful birthday cards I received. Millie Gault

Minute of Meditation by Doug Wells Heard on FM 96.9

We only live a few years on earth, and after that our presence here is limited to what people remember of us. Will people remember you fondly or...less fondly? I suggest that depends on what kind of life you lived. Proverbs 10:7 says "the memory of the righteous will be a blessing, but the name of the wicked will rot."

I can't help but notice that there aren't a lot of little girls named Jezebel. Plenty of little boys named Jeremiah but not a lot of Jezebels. Why? Because Jeremiah was righteous and Jezebel was wicked. We don't want our little princess attached to her memory. Lots of Noah's, not so many Nabal's. There's like a zillion John's and hardly any Judas's. Why? Because the memory of the righteous is a blessing, and we like to be reminded of them. The names of the wicked rot.

If you want your name to be brought up in happy memories then I suggest you do what is right. Live a good life. Then when people later think of you they will continue to be blessed.

Serving In Worship February 27, 2022

ELDER IN CHARGE - Jim Galloway
DEACON IN CHARGE - Doug Hershman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Korey Inman
PM - John Life

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Daniel Rich
Close - Dave Nulter
6:00 PM - John Life
Close - Ryan Highman

SCRIPTURE

AM - Kevin Cochran
PM - Scott Johnson

COMMUNION

AM - Doug Wells
PM - Bill Mills



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Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Class...15 minutes after worship
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

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

Facts and Figures

February 13, 2022

Sunday AM Service.....199
Sunday Bible Class.....179
Sunday PM Service.....147
Wednesday AM Service.....30
Wednesday PM Service.....139
Contribution.....\$6285.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

Baptisms.....
Restored or Requested Prayers.....1
Placed Membership.....1

March Birthdays & Anniversaries

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 5- Jordan Alton | 15- Mark Dean |
| 5- Haylee Smith | 15- Paul Saunders |
| 5- Cody Young | 16- Dennis Keller |
| 6- Kayla Inman | 16- Bill & Kay Mills |
| 6- Oliver Hoover | 18- Billie Coe |
| 7- Harvey Caplinger Sr. | 22- Barbara Cramlet |
| 7- Marshall Rich | 23- Madison Highman |
| 9- Elic Galloway | 23- Mike Lucas |
| 9- Cody & Tori Young* | 26- Sherry Hoover |
| 10- Sharon Wilson | 26- Ted Miller |
| 11- Malorie Fleak | 27- Melinda Eddy |
| 11- Lincoln Highman | 27- Stan & Debi Inman* |
| 12- Penny Eddy | 28- Donovan Walton |
| 13- Patty Dawson | 29- Rob Hoover |
| 13- Doug & Raeanne Wells* | 30- Scott & Gwen Johnson* |
| 14- Jim Galloway | 31- Scott Smith |
| | 31- Norma Vaught |

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In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings
at 7:30 on WTAP
February 27

“The Sanctity of Life”

Daily Bible Reading

February 21: Mark 2 & Lev. 18-19

February 22: Mark 3:1-19 & Lev. 20-22

February 23: Mark 3:20-35 & Lev. 23

February 24: Mark 4:1-25 & Lev. 24-25

February 25: Mark 4:26-41 & Lev. 26

February 26: Mark 5:1-20 & Lev. 27

February 27: Mark 5:21-43 & Num. 1-2

“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.”