Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101 "Where you are always welcome"

Bible Call 304-420-2416 - Recorded information on many Bible subjects

The fruit of the Spirit is FAITHFULNESS

Galatians 5:22-23

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In Our Prayers

Our church family in need of prayers

Bob Armstrong, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Patty Dawson, Paula Franklin, Sandy Graham, Carolyn Henry, Jon Hescht, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Linda Moncrief, Merilee Morgan, Debby Nesselroad, Ray Peters, Bill Porter, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Cotton Sayre, Eloise Smith, Theresa Steed, Dorothy Stevens, Jim Stoops, 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, Kevin Britton (Cody Hoovers Cousin), Lynn Casemon (Glen Snider's Uncle), Roy Clark, Megan Bailey Daugherty, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son), Jeff Fitcher, Scott Gordon, Paul Guinn (Robin Anthony's brother in law), Charles (Bill) 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), Allison Kirkland (friend of Gwen Johnson), Barb Loy (Raeanne Wells' mom), Helen May (Verna Huber's mom), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece), Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister). Dave Nicholson (friend of the Hofmanns), Michael Parsons (friend of Billie Coe), Kathy Plant, Dick Rhodes (Carolyn Henry's brother), Dave Rice (Ralph Fox's friend), Bev Rine, 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, Frank & Hazel Terry (Eloise Smith's family), Jay & Lana Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Sara White (Randy White's Daughter), Susan Williams, Joe Wilson

Updates to the prayer list this week:

- Justin- Cindy Huxley's nephew has been making progress.
- Patty Workman- is in Belpre Landing room 302.
- Jim and Sallie Hinzman- are having health issues.
- Millie Gault
- Sara White- Randy Whites Daughter and Terry Hofmann's niece. Having health issues.
- Cotton Sayre
- Summer Leigh Rich- Born July 28, 2022. she is currently in the NICU she was 4lbs and 15 inches long at birth.
- Jon Hescht- At home recovering from a short hospital stay this week.
- Marshall Rich will be having surgery tomorrow.
- Kim Fought, Jo Goldsmith's brother- is in the hospital.

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.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Tomorrow, August 15

12:00-6:00pm

In the multi purpose room.

There is a sign up sheet on the counter.



Announcements

<u>VISITORS</u>- 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- The August book of the month is Habakkuk. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board after you have completed the reading.

<u>SECRETARY POSITION</u>- Camden Avenue is seeking a new secretary. Those interested in the position can submit resumes to one of the elders by today, August 14th.

BIBLE BOWL- The Camden Avenue Bible Bowl is October 8, 2022, over Ezra and Nehemiah.

<u>BIBLE BOWL MEETING</u>- There will be a Bible Bowl meeting for everyone interested in helping with the Bible Bowl. Today, August 14 after evening services in room 109. If you have any questions see Mark Tonkery.

<u>DISASTER RELIEF</u>- Funds have been sent to help with the flood relief in West Virginia and Kentucky. If you would like to donate extra funds to be sent to help, these can be given to any elder.

<u>BABY SHOWER</u>- For the new daughter of Daniel and Tabetha Rich, Summer Leigh Rich. August 28 from 2:00pm-5:00pm in the multipurpose room. See Kay Stanley with any questions. They are registered at Amazon and Walmart.

CALENDAR UPDATE- Skyler Knotts birthday was August 8th.

<u>A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE</u>- There will be no one in the office the week of August 14th. If you have any updates to the prayer list or announcements please give these to one of the elders. These updates will be added to the August 28th bulletin.

TEACHERS NEEDED- Beginning in September teachers are needed for the Sunday and Wednesday 2 year old class and for the Wednesday 4 & 5 year old class. If you are able to help see Doug Wells.

MEN'S MEETING- Today at 4:30pm in the multipurpose room.

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

THE DISEASE OF PESSIMISM

One fellow said, "My uncle is an extreme pessimist. It's not that the glass is half empty or half full. "The glass is gonna break anyway so why does it matter," he'd say.

Some people act as though they were weaned on a dill pickle! To them, life is bad and getting worse by the minute. Often it is the person himself/herself that is getting worse by the minute. They see a "boogeyman" behind every tree. To them, life is unfair,

and they are getting the short end of the stick. You can't be sicker than they are, and if you are sick enough to die, they already did!

Pessimism is a disease. Once people start thinking negatively, it does something to their mental calculations. Soon they are adding only the dismal moments of life, multiplying only the despairing minutes, and recording only the dark moments of the soul.



Pessimism is like a polluted stream. Its odor lingers over every plan, its path crosses every beautiful possibility, and its contribution to life is always in what it withholds.

Pessimism is an attitude. It is the way people look at things, how they react, and how they plan their lives. If they listen to the bad side, and react and plan accordingly, their attitude is pessimistic.

Pessimists are like athletes who have become discouraged and laid aside their game. It means they have had their greatest day; they have reached their highest moment; they have had their fun. From then on, it's all downhill.

Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965) stated, "The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity and the optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty!"

Pessimism's antidote. 1 Pet. 5:7, "casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you."

Article taken and adapted from Tom Butterfield's Sunday's Slant entitled: PITY THE POOR PESSIMIST and another article by an unknown author.

Today's Sermon Notes

AM Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery
We are soldiers in the Lord's Army
Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:3,4

"in :	suffering as a good	of Christ J	esus. No
gets entangled in o	civilian	, since his	is to please the one
who	him." 2 Tim.	2:3-4	
Those who follow (Christ serve:		
I. We are to serve	with (2 Ti	m. 2:3).	
II. We are to serve	with(2 T	im. 2:4).	
III. We are to serve	with(2	Tim. 2:4).	

Are we devoted to our Commander in Chief, Jesus Christ?

PM Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery When it is good to be the minority.

Doug's Discussion

Are You Free?

I think our culture really values its freedom, and rightly so. But what is freedom? There have been all kinds of interesting ideas about the concept. Is true freedom the ability to do and say whatever we want? Does freedom simply mean that we are not incarcerated? I suspect there are many in our world today would be confused if someone came along with an offer to set them free. "What do you mean? I am free!" That was the same reaction Jesus got when he made the offer: "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.' They answered him, 'We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?'" (John 8:31-33).

Jesus could say that because many people who think that they are free aren't. Not every prison has bars and armed guards. And sometimes doing the thing that I want is the very thing that can enslave. Because a child wants his "freedom" from his parent's "repressive" rules he flees the home the first chance he gets. He goes to live with friends, and they party hard. They get into heavy use of drugs and alcohol, and the wayward son's life spirals out of control. So then, is he free? In what sense? Jesus would say no, he's not free. "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin" (John 8:34).

What a terrible surprise it is when someone who thought he was free learns that he is in fact a slave! In a land that values freedom that is an unpleasant shock. But do you know what the value of seeing the truth is? When someone comes along offering true freedom you may actually take the offer. "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (John 8:36). The Jews Jesus was speaking to couldn't see their chains. They were offended by the offer. But if we have come to realize that our concept of freedom has put us into a new kind of jail then perhaps we will be more willing to listen. I don't want to be a slave. Praise God that He send Someone to break the chains! My friends, come to Jesus and be free indeed.

Upcoming Local Events

There is more information available on the bulletin board

GOSPEL MEETING- At Cloverdale church of Christ in St. Marys, WV. Speaker: Randy Baker. August 15-18.

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF PREACHING SING AND PIE FLING- August 19, Singing from 7:00-8:00pm, Fellowship and desserts 8:00pm.

MID-OHIO VALLEY AREA WIDE SING- September 25 from 3:00-4:00pm at Hopewell church of Christ.

WIDOWHOOD WORKSHOP- 36th Street church of Christ, October 7-9.

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF PREACHING LECTURESHIP - October 23-27, 2022 over 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus. Preach the Word!

Thank You

- ♥ Thank you to everyone for the cards and well wishes, Facebook and otherwise, for our anniversary. Mike and Robin Anthony
- ♥ Thank everyone for the birthday cards. I appreciated them all....Charlotte Deem We also celebrate with Charlotte that her great grand daughter Rachel Hager was baptized this past week!

Book of the Month

Those that signed that they had read Nahum in July. Great Job! The book of the month for August is Habakkuk. Read and then sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

Bill Davis	Carol Peters	Linda Gray	Dave Nulter
Mike Wade	Sonya Hescht	Steve Gray	Christine Epler
Bill Mills	Addie Miller	Joyce Wright	Keith Smith
Kay Mills	Rick Stanley	Charlotte Galloway	Leon Hupp
Rosemary Merrill	Mark Tonkery	Robin Anthony	Judy Hupp
Charlene Donahue	Barbara Cramlet	Sandy Keller	Dorothy Stevens
Charlotte Deem	Eloise Smith	Denny Keller	Mary Daniel
Neo Potts	Naomi Carr	Michaela Miller	John Rockhold
David Potts	Delmas Carr	Aidan Klingler	
Laura Carpenter	Donna Tice	Brandi Hescht	

Serving In Worship August 21, 2022

<u>ELDER IN CHARGE</u> - Clayton Huber <u>DEACON IN CHARGE</u> - Kevin Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Jon Hescht PM - Scott Smith

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ron Riddle Close - Bill Merrill 6:00 PM - Doug Wells Close - Ron Holleron

SCRIPTURE

AM - Donovan Walton

PM - Bill Hoover

COMMUNION

AM - Jeff Taberner PM- Steve Gray



Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship	9:30
Bible Class15 minutes	after worship
PM Worship	6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study......7:00pm

Facts and Figures

August 7, 2022

Sunday AM Service	240
Sunday Bible Class	205
Sunday PM Service	172
Wednesday PM Service	153
Contribution	\$8975.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

Baptisms	1
Restored or Requested Prayers	L
Placed Membership	3



Mowing Group for August 18-20 Team 4

Kevin Cochran Brian Haught Bill Merrill Glenn Snider

Mínute of Meditation by Doug Wells Heard on FM 96.9

Standing up for what's right can make things worse before they get better. Like when Moses went to Pharoah and said it was time to let the people go. I'm sure the enslaved Israelites, were thrilled that someone was sticking up for them. But not for long - Pharoah's response was to make their slave labor a lot harder, and then the leaders go back to Moses and say "may the Lord look on you and judge you!" But do you know this story? It gets a lot better.

When you decide to do what is right life might not get better right away. It might get worse. Telling your supervisor you're not going to be dishonest on your business reports anymore might lead to trouble at work. If you decide to start disciplining a child who you previously let do whatever they wanted...that's going to be a nightmare for awhile. You start doing what is right - and things get worse. When that happens it's your job to power through. DON"T FOLD. If Moses did that the Israelites would never have been free. Stay on the right path. It will get better.

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings at 7:30 on WTAP August 21 "Your Salvation"



Daily Bible Reading

August 15: Romans 8:1-17 and Psalms 34-36

August 16: Romans 8:18-39 and Psalms 37-38

August 17: Romans 9 and Psalms 39-43

August 18: Romans 10 and Psalms 44-47

August 19: Romans 11:1-21 and Psalms 48-51

August 20: Romans 11:22-36 and Psalms 52-56

August 21: Romans 12 and Psalms 57-61

"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."