

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue, Parkersburg, WV 26101      304-428-0504

Sunday AM Worship.....9:30

Sunday PM Worship.....6:00pm

Sunday Bible Class.....10:45

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

“Where you are always welcome!”

*“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.” 1 Corinthians*

LADS TO LEADERS  
SHOWCASE  
APRIL 2 4:00 PM

LADS TO LEADERS  
CONVENTION  
APRIL 6-9

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BUILDING GODLY LEADERS

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304-420-2416  
Recorded  
information on  
many Bible  
subjects

# TO KEEP IN PRAYER

## **Church Family in Need of Prayers**

Linda Camp  
Harvey Caplinger  
Mary Caplinger  
Naomi Carr  
Carl Curtiss  
Charlotte Deem  
Paula Franklin

Sandy Graham  
Dot Haught  
Carolyn Henry  
Jon Hescht  
Gwen Lucas  
Linda Moncrief

Debby Nesselroad  
Mary Nesselroad  
Ray Peters  
Bill Porter  
Summer Rich  
Cotton Sayre

Eloise Smith  
Theresa Steed  
Dorothy Stevens  
Darrell Vaught  
Joyce Wright  
Martha Whited

## **Shut-ins**

Bob Armstrong  
Naomi Carr  
Keith Cowdery  
Patty Dawson  
Chelsea Doonan  
Jim Hinzman  
Sallie Hinzman  
Jo Langler  
Jean Martin  
Merilee Morgan  
Ed & Lois Porter  
Van Putnam

Jenny Reynolds  
Bonnie Sams  
**Cedar Grove**  
Susan Haid  
Janet Looney  
(mother of Connie  
Hickman)  
Rosellen Allen  
(Carol Vincent's  
sister-in-law)  
Helen May

(Verna Huber's  
mother)  
Jean Huber  
(Clayton Huber's  
mother)  
Sue Vancamp  
**Colonial House**  
Lucille Hardman  
**Genesis**  
Ray Sams

**Love & Care**  
Mildred Gault

**Ohio Valley  
Healthcare**  
Rosie Knox

**Rockland Ridge**  
Corina Francis  
Patty Workman

**The Willows**  
Doris Newberry

## **Request for Friends and Family**

Leo (brother, Robin Anthony)  
Morgan Amos (friend of the Wades)  
Mark Berry  
Jeff Bigler (father, Becky Inman)  
Leo Blair (brother, Robin Anthony)  
Delores Boyce (Jo Langler's friend)  
Kelly Boyce  
Howard Buskirk (friend, Jo Langler)  
Lynn Casemon (uncle, Glenn Snider)  
Roy Clark  
Terry Crislip (nep., John & Debra Bonar)  
Megan Bailey Daugherty  
Jimmy Dae (niece's husb., Jo Langler)  
Brian Decker (coworker, Ken Barnes)  
Betty Dunn (G-G.ma, Ryan Highman)  
Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son)  
Jeff Fitcher (Ron Holleron's son-in-law)  
Kim Fought (brother, Jo Goldsmith)  
Scott Gordon  
Paul Guinn (bro.-in-law, Robin Anthony)  
Charles (Bill) Haid  
Eric Hardman (son, Lucille Hardman)  
Judy Hall  
Steve Higginbotham  
Mike Hill (friend, Mike and Pam Bayer)  
Mike Inman (bro; Paul, Stan, & Sonya)  
Greg Kirkbride (friend, Paul Saunders)

Allison Kirkland (friend, Gwen Johnson)  
Preston Lawhon (church camp)  
Mike Lucas  
Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece)  
Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief)  
Dave Nicholson (friend of Hofmanns)  
Patty Nolan (cousin, Paul Saunders)  
Shelly Parnell (d. Everett & Ruth Sams)  
Michael Parsons (friend, Billie Coe)  
Kathy Plant  
Gavin Pfalzgraf (g-g.son, Kay Martin)  
Dick Rhodes (brother, Carolyn Henry)  
Dave Rice (friend, Ralph Fox)  
John Rockhold III  
Korbin Schaner (g-grandson, Eplers)  
Michele Scherer  
Kathy Simmons (sis Ray & Carol Peters)  
Greg Smith (son, Keith & Eloise Smith)  
Elsie Smith (granddaughter, Hubers )  
Ronnie Smith (brother, Keith Smith)  
Mandy Townsend (g.dau. Mary Daniel)  
Charlie Tucker (Keith Smith's nephew)  
Shawn Stephens  
Hazel Terry (family of Eloise Smith)  
Seth Waggoner  
Susan Williams  
Joe Wilson (husband, Sharon Wilson)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VISITORS** - We are so glad that you are here today! Please fill out an attendance card from the pew in front of you and pass it to the center aisles.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** - Please come join us today immediately following Bible classes in the multipurpose room, found out the back of the auditorium and down the stairs at the end of the hall.

**LADS TO LEASERS SHOWCASE** - Today at 4pm in the multipurpose room the youth will be showing us all their hard work in preparing for the convention.

**LADS TO LEADERS** - Will be next weekend, April 6-9. If you would like to make a donation do the cost of the trip, please see Kevin Inman or Bill Mills.

**LADS TO LEADERS PICNIC** - Items are needed. There is a sign-up sheet in the front foyer for picnic donations.

**AREA WIDE SERVICE** - Sunday, April 16 at 3PM here at Camden Avenue. The theme is "Together We Stand". There are fliers available in the foyer.

**MEN'S MEETING** - Sunday, April 24 at 4pm in the multipurpose room.

**LOVE & CARE** - Camden Avenue will be in charge of Love & Care services on Sunday, April 23 at 2:30 and Thursday, April 27 at 7:00.

**BOOK OF THE MONTH** - If you read Philippians during March, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board outside the office. The book of the month for April will be Colossians

## Updates to the Prayer List

- ♥ Kathleen Albright (former member) had a bad fall and is in Riverside Hospital in Columbus.
- ♥ Rebecca Miller has been dealing with back pain.
- ♥ Dave Nulter request prayers for some testing on April 4.
- ♥ Dickie Thornton (brother-in-law of Scott and Christy Smith) has been diagnosed with Lymphoma.



## Deacons:

Ken Barnes  
Membership

Kevin Cochran  
Youth: Teens

Marion Goldsmith  
Transportation  
& Grounds

Doug Hershman  
Financial

Jon Hescht  
Technology

Ryan Highman  
Building  
Maintenance

Chris Hofmann  
Building  
Maintenance

Cody Hoover  
Education

Rob Hoover  
Health &  
Safety /Security

Kevin Inman  
Youth:  
Lads to Leaders

Kyle Inman  
Youth: K-5

Jeff Taberner  
Benevolence

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coC Live

# DOUG'S DISCUSSION

## Proverbs and Truth

I saw a conservative commentator provoke criticism recently when he said that if a woman shows her husband respect that's going to be a happy husband. This got shared on some kind of social media and the outrage ensued. (Mainstream culture in America doesn't stand for this sort of thing today.) At least one woman came forward with a very sad story of how this was not true for her. She, being raised in a conservative household, was taught to believe "wives respect your husband" (Ephesians 5:33). However, despite her efforts, she was still abused by a terrible man. Her argument was that her experience proved the conservative commentator wrong.

I'm very sorry for all wives who don't have husbands who obey "Husbands, love your wives" (Ephesians 5:25). That being said, the idea that an exception proves a general principle wrong is a common error that Satan uses against the truth. To give another example, Proverbs 19:23 says, "The fear of the Lord leads to life: Then one rests content, untouched by trouble." If I went searching, I suspect I could find someone in the middle of some religious-based persecution who might find this proverb difficult to understand. Untouched by trouble? My neighbor hates me and my coworkers are trying to get me fired! Does that mean the scripture isn't true? No, it does not. If we lead godly lives, we avoid a lot of trouble that the ungodly bring upon themselves. The exceptions don't disprove the truth found here, and even when trouble does come the peace we find in the Lord allows us to rest secure.

I'm sure you know the Proverb about training up children in the right way, and then when they grow up "they will not turn from it" (Proverbs 22:6). Statistically a certain percentage of our children, even with two dedicated parents, do fall away. Is the proverb false? No, because that's not how proverbial wisdom works. It speaks of general truths. But now let me tell you how people get themselves into trouble – the woman of whom I was speaking earlier has made the decision not to respect men. She experienced an exception and now believes her way (and what is now the world's way in general) is better than God's way. But what are the odds of her having a positive relationship now? Someone might run into trouble while living a godly life – but does that mean it is better to not try? To just live for the things that destroy us? And a child who is trained in what is good might fall away – but does that mean we don't bother training them? Satan would like nothing more.

Let's be adults in our thinking. The world is complex. Something can be generally true and still have sad exceptions. If we throw out the truth for this reason it is at our loss.



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# SERMON NOTES

## Let Us Worship God with Zeal

“Then I said, “I will \_\_\_\_ make \_\_\_\_\_ of Him, Nor \_\_\_\_\_ anymore in \_\_\_\_ name.”  
But His \_\_\_\_\_ was in my \_\_\_\_\_ like a burning \_\_\_\_\_ Shut up in my \_\_\_\_\_;  
I was \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ it back, And I \_\_\_\_\_ not.”  
Jeremiah 20:9

1: If you were told by God to take some arrows and strike the ground how many times do you think you would strike it? (2 Kings 13:18)

2: When King Jehoshaphat was given this command how did his zeal in following the command affect the extent of his future blessings?

3: How has your zeal for worshiping God changed over the years? Increased? Decreased? Stayed the same? (Revelation 2:4-5)

4: What do you think will happen if you take God up on His promise to draw near to Him and He will draw near to you? Do you think you will be changed? (Hebrews 12:29?)

5: What kind of “fire” did God light in Paul’s heart? (1 Corinthians 15:10)

6: According to 1 Thessalonians 5:19, can this fire be put out?

7: Why do you think it’s common to discourage those who “burn” with zeal for God?

8: If you remain zealous, do you think it will catch on?  
(Romans 12:11, Matthew 5:14, James 3:5, 2 Corinthians 9:7.)

9: From this point forward, will you worship God with zeal?



# THANK YOU

Thank you to all who sent us thoughtful cards. Also, thank you for all the get well cards and prayers received during my hospital stay. They were greatly appreciated.

-Joyce and Herb

Thanks to everyone for the prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy in the loss of my brother.

-Eloise Smith

Thank you, everyone, for all the wonderful birthday cards.

-Rob Hoover

Thank  
You



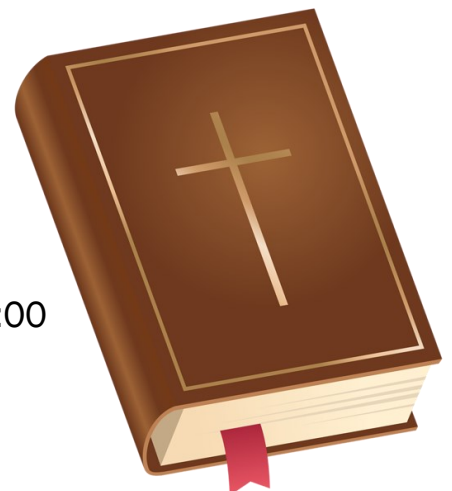
## LOCAL GOSPEL MEETINGS

**April 2-6 Salem church of Christ Gospel Meeting**  
Times: Sunday 9:30, 10:30, 6:00; Monday - Friday 7:00  
Speaker: Will Montgomery  
Location: Corner of Walter St. and Kyle Ave.

**April 16 Weirton Heights Spring Gospel Meeting**  
Times: Sunday 9:30, 10:30, 6:30; Monday - Friday 7:00  
Theme: "Righteous Worship"  
Speaker: Rico Brown

**April 16-19 North End church of Christ Gospel Meeting**  
Times: Sunday 9:30, 10:45, 6:30; Monday - Wednesday 7:00  
Speaker: Phil Sanders  
Location: 1301 West Virginia Ave., Parkersburg, WV

**April 16-19 Ullman Street Gospel Meeting**  
Times: Sunday 9:30, 10:30, 6:00; Monday - Friday 7:30  
Speaker: Randy Baker  
Location: 512 Ullman St., Beverly, OH 45715  
Behind Citizens Bank just off SR 60



# UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information, see the bulletin boards in the front and back of the auditorium.

## April

- TODAY - Fellowship Meal - 12:00**  
Host: Care Group 1
- TODAY - Lads to Leaders Showcase - 4:00**  
multipurpose room
- 6-9 Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes**  
Louisville, KY  
If you would like to make a donation,  
please see Kevin Inman or Bill Mills
- 7 Friday Night Sing - 6:30 pm**  
Barrackville church of Christ
- 8 33rd Annual Golden Agers Day - 10-3**  
New Concord church of Christ  
Speakers: Tim and Tammy Hatfield  
Breakfast and Lunch provided
- 8 Surprise Valley Youth Camp  
Appreciation Dinner - 6:00**  
Main Street church of Christ  
2582 Main St., Hurricane, WV 25526  
(Fellowship Building)
- 14- Sunrise Youth Rally**  
**15** Speaker: Jack Gilchrist
- 15 Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies' Inspiration Day**  
"Grow Our Faith"  
Speaker: Marsha Robinson  
Lubeck church of Christ  
23 Meldhal Rd, Washington, WV 26181
- 15 One Day Lectureship - 9-4**  
"The Mission of the Church"  
Seth church of Christ  
20238 Coal River Rd. Seth WV 25181  
lunch provided
- 16 Area-Wide Worship Service - 3pm**  
"Together We Stand"  
Speaker: Doug Wells  
Camden Avenue church of Christ
- 20- Equipped 2023**  
**23** "Practical Christianity"  
Lehman Avenue church of Christ  
Bowling Green, KY  
Register at <https://qrco.de/bdEqOf>
- 23 Love & Care Worship Service - 2:30**
- 27 Love & Care Worship Service - 7:00**
- 30 Traveling Youth Group - 4 pm**  
Rockport Church of Christ

## May

- 1 Youth Night - 6:00**  
Norval Park church of Christ
- 6 Surprise Valley Youth Camp  
Appreciation Dinner**  
26th Street church of Christ  
101 26th St., Huntington, WV 25703
- 13 Harrisville Ladies' Inspiration Day**  
"Weaving God's Word into Our Lives:  
Speaker: Deidra Miller  
Location: Ellenboro City Building  
Dinning Hall (Old Grade School)
- 13 2023 Day of Edification - 10-2:30**  
Chapel Hill church of Christ  
234 Chapel Drive, Gallipolis, OH 45631
- 28 Traveling Youth Group - 6 pm**  
Hopewell church of Christ

# Serving in Worship

April 9, 2023

## Elder in Charge

Todd Kirk

## Deacon in Charge

Jon Hescht

## Song Leader

AM - Clayton Huber

PM - Daniel Rich

## Scripture

AM - David Potts

PM - Marion Goldsmith

## Prayer

9:30 AM - Keith Smith

Close - Ira Kimes

6:00 PM - John Life

Close - Brandon Sheppard

## Communion

AM - Josh Carr

PM - Delmas Carr

## Welcome Center

AM - Joann Goldsmith

PM - Sherry Sponseller

**Announcements** - Paul Saunders

**PA System** - Jim Galloway

**Projector** - Scott Johnson

**Security** - Ron Riddle



# Interactive Bible Reading Plan

<https://video.wvbs.org/access/interactive-bible-reading-plan>

Apr. 2 Jos. 16-18 Ps. 92

[Bible Land Passages:](#)

[Passage 8](#)

Apr. 3 Jos. 19-21 Ps. 93

Apr. 4 Jos. 22-24 Ps. 94

Apr. 5 Judg. 1-3 Ps. 95

[SOTW: Judges and Ruth](#)

Apr. 6 Judg. 4-6 Ps. 96

Apr. 7 Judg. 7-9 Ps. 97

[Bible Land Passages:](#)

[Passage 4](#)

Apr. 8 Judg. 10-12 Ps. 98

## April Food Pantry Needs

**Care Group 1:** canned corn & green beans

**Care Group 2:** pancake mix, syrup, cereal

**Care Group 3:** fruit cups/fruit,  
spaghetti & sauce

**Care Group 4:** beefaroni/ravioli,  
canned chicken



BUILDING GODLY LEADERS

## Lads to Leaders Picnic

Items are needed to the picnic on the way to the Lads to Leaders Convention.

There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

If you would also like to donate to the cost of the trip, please see Kevin Inman or Bill Mills

## Facts and Figures

March 26, 2023

Sunday AM Worship.....223

Sunday Bible Class.....173

Sunday PM Worship.....163

Wednesday PM.....157

Contribution.....\$7,659

## Membership 2023

Baptisms.....3

Restored/Req. Prayer.....5

Placed Membership .....2

## *In Search of the Lord's Way*

Sunday morning

7:30 on WTAP

April 9, 2023

“Being Saved”



IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY



2023: Paul's Epistles

April: Colossians

Sign the sheet on bulletin board by the office after reading.

*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.*