Camden Avenue Church of Christ 304-428-0504

2900 Camden Avenue, Parkersburg, WV 26101

Sunday AM Worship......9:30 Sunday Bible Class......10:45

Sunday PM Worship......6:00pm 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 15:58



October 15-18

Sunday AM Worship - Jesus and sin Sunday Bible class - Jesus the Savior Sunday PM service - Jesus and Salvation

Monday night - How to conduct a Bible study. Tuesday night - How to set up a Bible study. Wednesday - Pair off and practice workshop.

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TO KEEP IN PRAYER

In an effort to keep our prayer list up-to-date and give adequate focus to all those in need of prayers, please give any updates on prayer requests to the office.

CHURCH FAMILY

Nita Faye Leech Gwen Lucas **Debby Nesselroad** Mary Nesselroad

Mandy Bunting

Dot Haught

Carolyn Henry

Bob Armstrong

Keith Cowdery

Naomi Carr

Love & Care

Susan Haid

Mildred Gault

Colonial House

Lucille Hardman

Harvey Caplinger

Barbara Cramlet

Ray Peters Bill Porter Summer Rich Peggy Riddle

Cotton Sayre Eloise Smith Dorothy Stevens Joyce Wright

SHUT-INS

Linda Moncrief Patty Dawson Charlotte Deem Merilee Morgan Jim & Sallie Hinzman Ed & Lois Porter Van Putnam Jo Langler

Cedar Grove Janet Looney Helen May (Verna Huber) Jean Huber (Clayton Huber) Genesis **Ray Sams**

Ohio Valley Healthcare Rosie Knox Gloria Morris Jenny Reynolds John Rockhold **Bonnie Sams** Sue Vancamp

The Willows

Doris Newberry Deloris Boyce (Jo Langler)

Wyngate

Rosellen Allen (Carol Vincent)

FRIENDS & FAMILY Ryan (Hesselrode) Bertka & baby Jeff Bigler (Becky Inman's father) Kelly Boyce (Jo Langler's boyfriend) Cheryl Bucannon (Rebecca Miller's aunt) Howard Buskirk (Jo Langler's friend) Megan Bailey Daugherty Brian Decker (coworker, Ken Barnes) John Doll (Sandy Keller's father) Curtis Drake (Michael Lucas's bro.-in-law) Becky Moyers (Cindy Huxley's sis.-in-law) Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son) Christie Hensley (Vivian Fadelvich's niece) Dave Nicholson (friend of Hofmanns) Kim Fought (Jo Goldsmith's brother) Steve Fought (friend of Bob Miller) Robert Fox (Ralph Fox's brother) Matthew Frykenburg (Ted Miller b-in-law) Thomas Guerra (a friend of Tabetha Rich) Scott Ruppenthal (friend of John Bonar) Hazlett Family (relatives of the Riddles) Steve Fought (friend of Bob Miller) Gary Herridge (former elder) Jeff Huxley (Cindy Huxley's husband) Stormy Huxley (Cindy Huxley's niece) Mike Inman (bro; Paul, Stan, & Sonya) **Michelle Jones** Allison Kirkland (Gwen Johnson's friend) Jarod Kiggans (minister at Winget Run)

Kassie Lucas (daughter of Rob & Pam) Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece) Eric Merrill (Bill Merrill's brother) Kay Miller (daughter of Bob Miller) June Miller (Addie Miller's sister) Marilyn Miskcvish Chris Morris (friend of Susan Anderson) Patty Moore (Cindy Huxley's sis.-in-law) Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief) Patty Nolan (Paul Saunders's cousin) Kathy Plant Dick Rhodes (Carolyn Henry's brother) Dave Rice (Ralph Fox's friend) Rex Scarbrough (Elizabeth's husband) Korbin Schaner (Eplers' g-grandson) Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise Smith's son) Elsie Smith (Hubers' granddaughter) Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother) Hazel Terry (family of Eloise Smith) Karen Toms (Donna Tice's daughter)

Charlie Tucker (Keith Smith's nephew) Amy Ware (Jennifer Martin's sister-in-law) Paisley Lemley (d. friend, Tabetha Rich)

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 nearest aisle.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER - will be tomorrow, Monday, October 9 at 6:30. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for soups.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT — Will be this Saturday, October 14. at 6:00 pm. Cars that are passing out candy will meet on the classroom side of the main parking lot. There will be a devo and refreshments following the Trick-or-Treating. Please bring finger foods.

HOMEMISSION – John Orr from Workshop Schedule: HomeMission will be returning for a follow-up workshop next week, October 15-18. This worship will expand on what we efforts and the We Care Ministry.

Sunday AM Worship - Jesus and sin Sunday Bible class - Jesus the Savior Sunday PM Worship - Jesus and Salvation Monday - How to conduct a Bible study. can do to better our evangelistic Tuesday - How to set up a Bible study. Wednesday - Pair off and practice workshop.

OCTOBER FELLOWSHIP MEAL – Has been moved to October 15 to coincide with the HomeMission Seminar.

OCTOBER MEN'S MEETING – Has been moved to October 22.

UPDATES TO THE PRAYER LIST

- Cheryl Bucannon (Rebecca Miller's aunt) lost her husband last week.
- Robert Fox (Ralph Fox's brother) had a stroke on Monday. He has a blood clot they're trying to break up with medication.
- Steve Fought (friend of Bob Miller) is taking his chemo treatments but is not doing well. Cards would be appreciated. His address will be posted on the bulletin board outside the office.
- ♥ Christie Hensley (Vivian Fadelvich's niece) is at Cleveland Clinic with Lupus and pancreatitis.
- Jeff Huxley (Cindy Huxley's husband) is in the ICU at Marietta Memorial with a chest tube for pneumothorax. His biopsy came back as cancer. He will be having surgery on Friday to remove the lower lobe of his right lung.
- Eric Merrill is now cancer free and will not need any further treatment.
- Kay Miller (Bob and Gala Miller's daughter has now been released from the rehab facility. She will continue with therapy as she is non weight bearing on her arms for another 4 weeks. Her new address is 501 East Burgess Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio. 43050. Cards are greatly appreciated.
- Michael Parsons (Billie Coe's friend) passed away
- ♥ Ed Porter has been in the hospital with pneumonia but is now home.
- Lois Porter had cancer surgery in Morgantown Wednesday.
- Bonnie Sams is in the hospital. ¥
- Rex Scarbrough (Elizabeth Scarbrough's husband) had open heart surgery. He had a procedure done Thursday and they will continue to treat with medication at home.

Deacons:

Kevin Cochran Youth: Teens

Doug Hershman Financial

> Jon Hescht Technology

Ryan Highman Maintenance

Chris Hofmann Maintenance

> **Cody Hoover** Education

Kevin Inman Lads to Leaders

> Kyle Inman Youth: K-5

Jeff Taberner Benevolence

We Care Ministry:

Red Team

Yellow Team Rick Stanley

Green Team Chris & Terry Hoffmann

Blue Team Mike & Teresa Wade

Motivation Team DJ Currv

Operations Bill Hoover

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CURRY CONNECTION

<u>I Love Bíble Bowls</u>

How many of you could open up your Bibles and make an apologetic argument that the creation itself is evidence of God's existence and glory? Who could show someone from the scriptures that following the ritual requirement of Old Testament law is no longer necessary? Who can make the case that it is baptism that brings us into contact with Jesus's death and resurrection? I suspect I know a few people who can. These questions can be answered well from Romans, our Bible Bowl topic this year. I freely confess that I love Bible Bowls. Not because I love trivia – in fact, my nearcomplete silence whenever Jeopardy comes on is proof of that. I love Bible Bowls because they get people into the Word, the place where all the good answers are found. In this Word, "His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3).

I'm sure a yearly Bible Bowl isn't a magical cure-all but I sense we do face an issue of decreasing Bible knowledge in our congregations today. Perhaps this isn't entirely our fault – the Bible used to be in public schools. Removing the Word (and in some cases replacing that Word with material that is hateful to the Word) from eight hours of everyone's day for more than a decade of formative years is a heavy blow to overall Bible knowledge. No use wringing our hands, however. What are we going to do about it? I want us to be a people who continue to have the reputation of really knowing our Bibles! Yet, that will not happen if we aren't reading it, if we have no accountability for reading it, and if we do not celebrate a culture for those who do well in learning it.

Did I mention I love Bible Bowls? If you happen to see someone who participated in learning Romans this year, and with the willingness to answer questions on it in front of actual people, be sure to show them some appreciation for all their work. If I may, I'll share a quote they would probably know: "Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor" (Romans 13:7). Let's face it – if you're not in the Bible Bowl they read Romans more than you this summer. There's no need for them to brag I suppose, but that deserves honor. They were willing to be held accountable for their studies. That deserves honor. And if we would honor these kinds of efforts, if we would celebrate them with at least EQUAL enthusiasm as our favorite college football team winning, then I guarantee we would have a culture that continues to honor the Word. As it should be.

MINUTE OF MEDITATION Heard on FM 96.9

Known through testimony

Let's talk about one way we know people we don't know. Sometimes you know people a little before you meet them – right? And how is that? Testimony of course.

Maybe it went something like: "Oh, who's that?" "Ahh, that's my friend Bob. He's a really nice guy. If you ever need something electrical fixed at your house let me know and I'll introduce you." So, have you met Bob yet? No, not yet. But if you consider the testimony you just heard trustworthy you already know that he's nice, and that he is the guy to call for a malfunctioning light switch.

Testimony is also a way we can be introduced to Jesus. I've never personally seen Jesus, but John the Baptist did – and he speaks about that experience in John 1:32-34. John says God told him that the Spirit would come down and remain on his Son, and that he saw that happen with Jesus at the waters of the Jordan. Based on that John says, "I have seen and testify that this is the Son of God."

Even without physically seeing Jesus myself I have the testimony of John. And I believe.

I am Doug Wells with a minute of mediation from the Camden Avenue Church of Christ, where you are always welcome.

SERMON NOTES

<u>No Other Name</u>

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-12 Speaker: Doug Wells

1: Millions of people and several organizations associated themselves with radical groups like BLM. What is a major problem with this association?

2: Do you know anyone who has left the church of Christ for a different religious group? If so, what were your basic thoughts on the matter?

- 3: What is the call of 1 Corinthians 1:10?
- 4: What is the only way we are going to achieve this calling?
- 5: What divisive practice did the Corinthians adopt? (1 Corinthians 1:12)
- 6: How does adding another name to a group identity weaken the group?

7: The Corinthians added Peter to their Christ identities. Despite his great accomplishments, what negatives does that add? (Galatians 2:12)

8: How do people add names to a biblical Christ-only faith today?

9: What are the disadvantages of doing so?

10: If you aren't a Christian only, following the Bible alone, are you willing to lay aside other identities now?

> PM Sermon: "The Advantage of Being in the church of Christ." Scripture Reading:1 John 1:6-7 Speaker: Daniel P. Curry Jr.

DOUG'S DISCUSSION

"Who Takes Away the Sín of the World!"

Suppose you had the opportunity to introduce Jesus to a crowd. How would you do it? What would you say? This question is one of the struggles of a Christian today. How do you introduce Jesus to others? John the Immerser, as he saw Jesus approaching, declared an introduction for the whole crowd to hear. "The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29 NKJV). John introduced Jesus to the world around him by giving an identity, "The Lamb of God," and a purpose, "who takes away the sin of the world!"

"The Lamb of God ... "

Jesus was identified as being "the Lamb of God." We recognize lambs as the valued animal of sacrifice for the Jewish people, especially at the institution of the Passover Feast. "Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of *his* father, a lamb for a household" (Exod 12:3). The blood of this lamb was spread on the two doorposts (Exod 12:7). It was thanks to this blood that the house was passed over and the family was spared judgment, and the loss of their first born (Exod 12:12). Jesus Christ was called the Lamb because His blood would also be the cause of our pass over of judgment (1 Pet 1:17-19). The crowd surrounding John would see this connection, which we should also make with our crowd; that is, Jesus Christ was our sacrifice, and He was a sacrifice "of God." "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

"(W)ho takes away the sin of the world!"

The purpose of the Lamb is made clear with this statement. However, I heard one atheist recently question the purpose of Jesus. The atheist asked, "If Jesus took the sin of the world away, why is there still sin in the world?" The meaning behind this statement of John was not that Jesus literally removed sin from the world but that He was the answer to our sin. "And He, Himself, is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world" (1 John 2:2). Jesus was the means of appeasement for our sins. He, in a way, took away the sin of the world by literally dying as a sacrifice for everyone's sin. More specifically, dying for those who obey Him. "And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Heb 5:9). There is a place to come for the faithful where there will literally be no more sin; it has been removed forever, Heaven (Rev 21:27).

"Behold!"

Let us end where John the Immerser began. John started his introduction with "Behold!" He wanted to direct the crowd's attention to the Lamb of God. "Behold!" in the original language means, look!, see!, or take notice. Let us do the same: when we introduce Jesus to the world, we direct their attention to the real Jesus Christ of the Scriptures; the One who is the sacrifice of God for the appeasement of the sin for all who obey Him.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

<u>October</u>

8-12 Gospel Meeting & Homecoming

Salem church of Christ Sun 9:30, 10:30, 6:00; Mom-Thrs 7:00 Theme: The Parables of Jesus

9 Monday Night for the Master - 6:30

13 Gospel Meeting

- -15 Lubeck church of Christ Fri & Sat 7:00; Sun 9:30, 10:30 Speaker: Eric Lyons
- 14 Trunk-or-Treat

15- Home Mission Workshop

- **18** John Orr from HomeMission will be returning for a follow-up visit
- 15 Fellowship Meal 12:00 Care Group 3 hosting

15 Sunday Evening Youth Devo - 7:00

15 Widows Walk for a Potluck Picnic Jackson Park in Vienna, Jaycee Shelter Bring a dish to share

15 Gospel Meeting -20 Harrisville church of Christ Sun 9:30, 6:00; Mon-Thrs 7:00

<u>November</u>

- **3-5 Cold Harbor Lectureship** Fri 7:00, Saty 8:00-9:00, Sun 9:30, 2:00 The Writings of John
- 5 Love & Care Worship Service 2:30 Led by Camden Avenue
- 6 Youth Night 6-8 Norval Park church of Christ, Zanesville, OH Singing, Bible Study, Friends, Food, Games!

26 Ohio Winter Lectures -27 Fishfinger Road church of Christ Fri 6:30-9, Sat 8:00-5:00 Theme: Faith on Fire: Igniting Spiritual Growth & Unity

20 Adjusting to Aging Workshop

- -21 Grand Central church of Christ, Vienna, WV Friday 6:00 pm & Saturday 9:00 am
- 21 WVCYC Fall Camp 10:00-8:00 Ages 11 & up "God Can"
- 22 Men's Meeting 4:00

22 Gospel Meeting

-25 Pursley church of Christ, Sistersville, WV Sun 10:00, 6:00; Mon -Wed 7:00

22 Fall Gospel Meeting

-25 Sunrush church of Christ, Chillicothe, OH Sun 9:45, 10:30, 7:00; Mon-Wed 7:00 Speaker: Roger Rush

22 WV School of Preaching Lectureship

- -26 "When I Study the PSALMS..." (Vol. V)
- 28 Gospel Sing 7:00-9:00 Twin City Opera in McConnelsville, OH
- 29 Traveling Youth Group 6:00 Camden Avenue
- 30 Monday Night for the Master 6:30

9 Love & Care Worship Service -

- Love & Care Worship Service 7:00 Led by Camden Avenue
- 17 Friday Night Sing Camden Avenue
- 26 Traveling Youth Group 5:00 Dewey Avenue church of Christ

January

Serving in Worship October 15, 2023

Elder in Charge Clayton Huber Deacon in Charge Jeff Taberner

<u>Song Leader</u> AM - Aidan Klingler PM - Gary Alton

<u>Scripture</u> AM - Randy White PM - Conner Curry

<u>Prayer</u> 9:30 AM - Korey Inman Close - John Life 6:00 PM - Josh Hall Close - Chris Hofmann

<u>Communion</u> AM - Brian Haught PM - John Life

<u>Welcome Center</u> AM - Sherry Sponseller PM - Tammy Kerns Wed - Marion Goldsmith

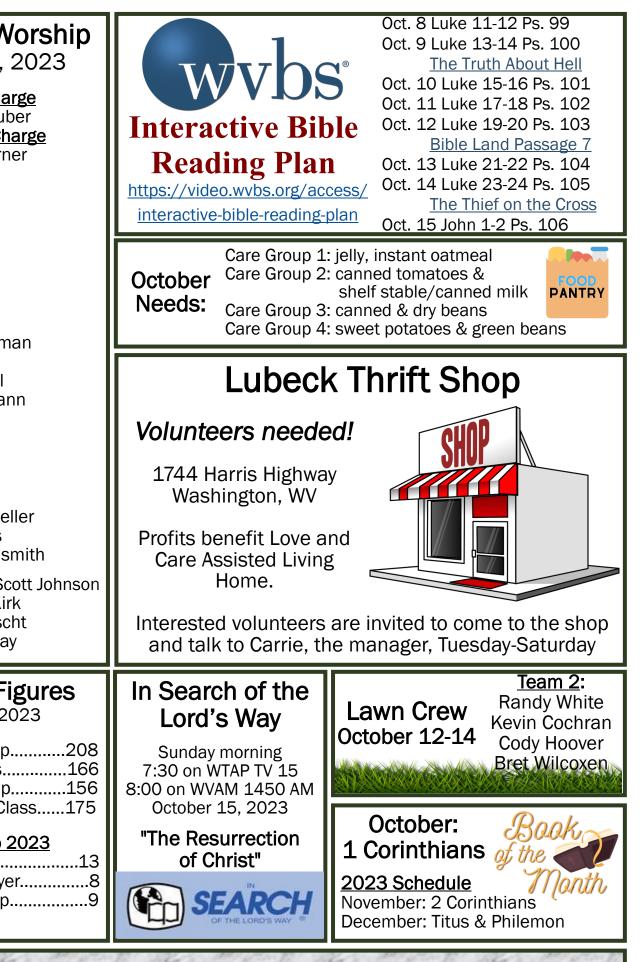
Announcements - Scott Johnson PA System - Todd Kirk Projector - Jon Hescht Security - Steve Gray

Facts and Figures October 1, 2023

Sunday AM Worship......208 Sunday Bible Class......166 Sunday PM Worship......156 Wednesday Bible Class.....175

Membership 2023 Baptisms......13

Restored/Req. Prayer	
Placed Membership	.9



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.