

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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We will host the Friday night sing this week at 7:00.



Please bring refreshments to be served in the MP Room following the sing.

This will be the final sing of the year.

Elders:

Pat Barclay
 Jim Galloway
 Gary Herridge
 Paul Inman
 Stan Inman
 John Life
 Bill Mills
 Ron Riddle
 Dearll Vincent

Deacons:

Josh Barclay
 Delmas Carr
 Marion Goldsmith
 Leonard Haid
 Doug Hershman
 Rob Hoover
 William Hoover
 Kyle Inman
 Scott Johnson
 Todd Kirk
 Paul Saunders
 Dwain Shears
 Keith Smith
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**THANK YOU NOTES**

- ♥ Thank you for all of the birthday cards. I enjoyed each of them so much. **John Rockhold**
- ♥ A thank you to everyone for the birthday cards. It's so nice to be remembered. I enjoyed each one very much. **Kay Mills**
- ♥ We really appreciate the birthday cards and gifts we received. They helped make our birthdays special. **Nina Chevront and Rochel Young**

*We extend our sympathy to the family of
 Gypsy Newberry.*

She had been a member here since May 1, 1931.

*Her funeral was held at the church building
 Friday, November 9.*

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Mary Ann Barclay, Jean Buckley, De Fleak, Bob and Lillie Fox, David Frazier, Sheri Gaston, Zandra Holleron, Jo Langler, Ted and Rebecca Miller, Linda Moncrief, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Jim VanCamp

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Ellen Brookover (friend of Shannan Hinzman), Ronnie Dye (Brenda Dougherty's uncle), Glenn Jones (Tammy Kerns' father), Betty Morris, Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

In order to keep our prayer lists current, names will appear on our Prayer Lists for a few weeks. You may call the office and update or add names.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 4 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room following Bible classes. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

COLLEGE DINNER MEETING

There will be a meeting this evening after services in Room 112 to plan the college dinner. Everyone is invited to the college dinner Wednesday at 5:45. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

WIDOWS, WIDOWERS, VETERANS DINNER

The Widows, Widowers, and Veterans dinner will be tomorrow, November 12 in the MP Room at noon. Please sign the list in the foyer if you plan to attend.

LADIES CLASS

The Tuesday evening ladies class will meet this week at 7:00 in the MP Room.

LADIES LUNCH

All ladies are invited to meet at Da Vincis Friday, November 16 at noon. We will be on the ground level. Please sign the list on the counter if you plan to attend. We need to turn in a count.

MEN'S MEETING/BIBLE BUSTERS

The Men's meeting will be next Sunday at 5:00 and Bible Busters at 5:30.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JIM AND JEREMIAH!

Jim Seelbach's birthday is November 15 and Jeremiah Seelbach's is November 21.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Delmas and Naomi Carr would like to share their good news. On December 1, their daughter, Melissa will become the bride of Scott Lloyd with a ceremony in Destin, FL. Melissa and Scott have a website at www.carrlloyd.ourwedding.com. (A reception is to be held here in March.)

LUBECK CONGREGATION BLOOD DRIVE

The Lubeck congregation blood drive will be tomorrow from 2:00-7:00 in their Fellowship Hall.



Daily Bible Reading Schedule

November 11 - Hebr 2, Jer 49
November 12 - Hebr 3, Jer 50
November 13 - Hebr 4, Jer 51
November 14 - Hebr 5, Jer 52
November 15 - Hebr 6, Lam 1-2
November 16 - Hebr 7, Lam 3-5
November 17 - Hebr 8, Eze 1-3
November 18 - Hebr 9, Eze 4-7



New Address

Jim and Carolyn Henry
1810B 32nd Street
Parkersburg, WV 26104
Telephone: 304.834.3631

Potter Children's Home



Everyone is encouraged to take a coin bank.

The banks are available in the foyers and will be picked up the week of December 2.

Golden Agers trip to Smuckers and Rubbermaid Stores near Wooster, OH

Thursday, December 6
Leaving at 8:00AM
\$30.00 each, includes fuel costs and dinner at the Amish Door.

(Weather permitting)



On Being a Person “After God’s Own Heart”

“But now your kingdom shall not continue. The Lord has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be commander over His people, because you have not kept what the Lord commanded you”

(1 Samuel 13:14)

THE GREATNESS OF CHARACTER THAT DISTINGUISHED DAVID FROM SAUL LAY NOT IN DAVID’S OUTWARD CIRCUMSTANCES OR EVEN HIS INBORN ATTRIBUTES, BUT IN THE CHOSEN DISPOSITION OF HIS HEART. He was a man “after God’s own heart.” What attributes are suggested by this remarkable phrase? No doubt the essence of David’s character could be described in numerous ways, but the story of his life indicates at least the following requirements if we are to be of the same spiritual caliber as he.

WE MUST GENUINELY RESPECT GOD’S WILL. As a man of faith, David could be counted on to trust God’s wisdom implicitly, carry out God’s instructions faithfully, and depend on God’s help humbly. He showed his respect for the PERSON of God by taking the WILL of God with utter seriousness, and this disposition is no less necessary for us than for him. It is useless to aspire to David’s character if we’re not willing, as he was, to move at God’s command.

WE MUST REVERENTLY REPENT OF SIN. David’s integrity is never seen any more clearly than on those occasions when he was confronted with the fact of sin in his life. Just as he understood the need for godly sorrow, David also understood how to accept chastisement and make real corrections in his conduct. When he did wrong, he did what was right about his wrongs.

WE MUST DOGGEDLY REFUSE TO GIVE UP SEEKING GOD. Like everyone who has ever truly entered the arena, David knew what the tears of defeat tasted like. Yet one thing could always be said about him: he got up every time he was knocked down. It would take more discouragement than there is in all the regions of hell to keep a man with this kind of heart from seeking God. Jesus said, “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Matthew 6:21), and David’s like is one heroic illustration of that principle. The things we deeply desire determine our character. Do we wish to be people “after God’s own heart,” really and truly? Then we must, in our own hearts, desire and cherish the treasures of His will more than the trinkets of our own moods.

“A man’s heart is right when he wills what God wills” [Thomas Aquinas]

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**Join us for a study of David and His Psalms - each Wednesday
at 11:00AM.**



Do Unto Others (Luke 10:27-37)

The Golden Rule: “Therefore, whatever you want _____ to do to _____, do also to _____, for this is the Law and the Prophets.” (Matthew 7:12) “You shall love the _____ your God with all your _____, with all your _____, and with all your _____. You shall _____ your neighbor as _____.” (Matthew 22:37-40)

The Standards of the World: Do unto others _____ they do unto you. “Repay no one _____ for evil.” (Romans 12:17) “For it is written _____ is Mine, I will _____, says the Lord.” (Romans 12:19) Do unto others as you are _____ to do – whatever is _____. Do unto others what is best for _____. “For if you _____ those who love you, what _____ have you? ... And, if you greet your _____ what do you _____ than others?” (Matt. 5:46)

Obey the Golden Rule - _____. “If you show _____, you commit _____.” (James 2:9)

#1) The Golden Rule demands that we _____ about _____. “To him who knows to do _____ and does not do it, to him it is _____.” (James 4:17) “In lowliness of mind let each esteem _____ better than _____. Let each of you look out not only for his _____ interests, but also for the interests of _____.” (Phil. 2:3-4)

#2) The Golden Rule demands that we treat _____ right, regardless of how they may treat _____. What others do is not our _____. The _____ of God is! “If your _____ is hungry, _____ him; if he is thirsty, give him a _____.” (Romans 12:20) “And be _____ to one another, _____, forgiving one another, even as _____ in Christ _____ you.” (Eph. 4:32)

#3) The Golden rule is _____ not _____. Operates under the principle “You go _____.” “As we have _____, let us do _____ unto all men, especially those of the household of faith.” (Galatians 6:10)

#4) The Golden Rules stands on a foundation of _____ and _____.

How would your life change – if you truly _____ by the _____ rule?



“IS THAT A GRUDGE IN YOUR HAND?”

~With permission by Gerald Elliott

“Love...does not take into account a wrong suffered.”

I Corinthians 13:5

Herman Melville wrote one of the classic novels of all time, *The Whale*, but from the second printing on, it has been titled, *Moby Dick*. The tale is about the obsession and monomania of Captain Ahab. He had such an obsession with the whale that he could not turn it loose. He eventually lost everything because of it.

We have all experienced a difficulty or conflict sometime in the past.

From time to time, we have seen a person who cannot let go of that difficulty or conflict. It remains the subject of every conversation. The pain is relived again and again. The grudge builds into an immovable barrier in their life. They cannot get around it to move on. Life seems paralyzed.

Peter asked the Lord how many times he had to forgive someone who offended him. Peter gave a number that he thought might be enough. Seven? But the Lord told him seventy times seven. Rather than stop at 490, Jesus really meant, “Don’t keep count.”

Then the Lord told a parable about some debtors. A master forgave a slave a major debt. That slave however was unwilling to forgive a fellow slave of a small or minor debt. *“Then summoning him, his lord said to him, You wicked slave, I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave, in the same way that I had mercy on you? And his lord, moved with anger, handed him over to the torturers until he should repay all that was owed him. My heavenly Father will also do the same to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart”* (Matthew 18:32-35).

God has forgiven us so much. We should, in turn, forgive each other of the small offenses we have between us. So often we don’t because we don’t remember how much God has forgiven us. And because we don’t forgive, we stay stuck in the past, holding on to a grudge.

Captain Ahab could not turn loose and he lost everything. If we can’t turn loose of the past, forgive and forget, we will lose everything also.

Submitted by: Paul Nygard



Youth Section

Widows, Widowers, and Veteran's Luncheon

Monday, November 12

Bridgeport Youth Rally

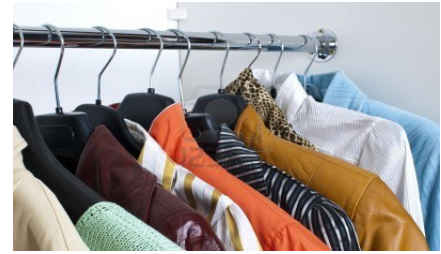
November 16 - 17

K-5th Grade Devotional

The K - 5th graders will have a devo.
Sunday, November 18 following evening
services.

6th-12th Grade Devotional

Devo. at the Saunders' home at 7:00PM
November 30.



Clothing Give-Away

The clothing hanging on the coat rack
(between the posted signs) in the
back parking lot foyer are free to
anyone that wants them.

Please feel free to help yourself.



The puzzles on the
coat rack are also for
give-away.

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

It's called the Miracle of Dunkirk. In May 1940, German forces advancing through France were on the verge of capturing an entire Allied army. The British put out the call for every small craft it could find to help stage an emergency evacuation. This motley fleet rescued more than 300,000 men. One of the rescuers was a 66-year-old retiree named Charles Lightoller. He crammed more than 120 soldiers on his small yacht and piloted them across the English Channel, dodging bombs and bullets.



Perhaps the zeal to his rescue was due to memories of a night at sea 30 years before when more than 900 people perished in the icy North Atlantic, despite the best efforts of Charles Lightoller, second officer on the RMS Titanic! In this rescue, he was given a second chance!

God gives us all second chances. God wants us to be saved from our sins. God sent His Son as our savior and we have to obey His commands. But to be saved, we have to get on the boat!

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue

Opportunities To Serve Sunday, November 18

ELDER IN CHARGE - Ron Riddle
DEACON IN CHARGE - Bill Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM - Kyle Inman
PM - Jon Hescht

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Walter Morgan
Close - Bill Merrill
6:00 PM - Dave Wadlington
Close - Doug Hershman

SCRIPTURE

AM - Paul Saunders
PM - Clyde Yoho

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - John Life
PM - Paul Inman
Glenn Snider

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM Door 1 - Herb Wright
2 - Dave Nulter
4 - Joyce Wright

PM

1. Paul & Nancy Inman
2. Eric & Amy Young
3. Colleen Ash & Mary Daniel
4. Jordan Kirk & Emma Hershman
5. Bonnie Sams & Peggy Dearth
6. Bob & Gala Miller

Facts and Figures

November 4, 2012

AM Service.....324
Bible Study.....248
PM Service.....234
Wednesday.....242
Contribution.....\$9357.47

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....11
Restored or Requested
Prayers.....6
Placed Membership....13

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Study.....11:00
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....11:00AM & 7:00PM



Sense of a Goose

When you see geese heading south for the winter flying in a “V” formation you might be interested in knowing why they fly that way.

As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. So by flying in a “V” formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own.

Whenever a goose falls out of formation it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and very quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front.

When the lead goose gets tired he rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point. The geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

When a goose gets sick or is wounded and falls out, two other geese fall out of formation and follow him down to help protect him. They stay with him until he is either able to fly or until he dies. Then they launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their own group.

If we had the sense of a goose, we’d realize just how much we really do need each other.

Author unknown

(Thank you to Colleen Ash for sharing this article.)



Watch “IN SEARCH OF THE LORD’S WAY”
Sunday mornings at 7:30 on WTAP-TV.

UPCOMING TOPIC

November 18
LET GOD BE GOD