

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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.

Bible Call 304.420.2416 - Recorded information on many Bible subjects

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Happy Mother's Day!

A Mother's Prayer

Dear Lord,

It's such a hectic day,
with little time to stop and pray.
For life's been anything but calm,
since You called me to be a mom -
Running errands, matching socks,
Building dreams with stacking blocks.
Cooking, cleaning and finding shoes,
and other things children lose.

Fitting lids on bottled bugs,
wiping tears and giving hugs.
A stack of last week's mail to read -
where's the quiet time I need?

Yet, when I steal a moment, Lord,
at the sink or ironing board,
to ask the blessing of Your grace,
I see then, in my little one's face,
that you have blessed me all the while.
And I stoop to kiss that precious smile.



~Unknown

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Jim Galloway
Clayton Huber
John Life
Paul Saunders
Dearll Vincent

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Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
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To all MOTHERS
whether you are a
Past, Present or
Soon-to-be Mom,
May your day be
filled with love,
laughter and joy.



Dearll Vincent - Marietta Memorial

No visits, please.

Remember him with in your prayers and with
cards.

Lois Nulter is experiencing health issues.

Please keep her in your prayers and remember her
with cards.

Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey,
Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Bill Lemley,
Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Gene and Peg Phillips, Ed Porter,
Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent

Prayers requested for family and friends

Cindy Adkins (Kassi's mother-in-law), David Balderson (Sallie Hinzman's brother),
Mark Berry, Don & Sheri Blackwell, Richard Deem (Rosemary Merrill's
brother-in-law), Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother),
Sherry Haddox, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Sydney Harvey and baby (Friend of
Don & Brenda Dougherty), Bennet Haught (Brian Haught's father), Jim and Jean
Huber (Clayton's parents), Dolores Kemp (Friend of Mary Nesselroad),
David Lawson, Carolyn Sue Miller, Shirley Packard, Ron Richards
(Courtney Richards' father-in-law), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's
brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Randy Townsend

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Sherry Sponseller and family in the passing of her
brother-in-law, Emmet Robinson. His service was Friday in Vienna.



A special thank you to Wes for
all his extra work last week at
our Youth-Parent seminar.
He was here late getting
everything ready for services
and other extra work.

Thanks for all you do, Wes!

- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful anniversary cards. **Gilbert and Lucille Hardman**
- ♥ I appreciate all the birthday cards and the nice things everyone does.
Calvin Martin
- ♥ Thank you for all the birthday cards and well-wishes. Love, **Dwain Shears**



Mom ~ I know what love is because of YOU! Thank you!



ELDER

As was announced last Sunday, we welcome Clayton Huber back into the eldership. We appreciate his willingness to serve.

BAPTISM

We are happy to welcome Anthony Hilliard into the Camden Avenue family. He was baptized last Sunday by his uncle, Scott Smith. He is the son of Deanna Hilliard. He will be in Care Group 4.

GRADUATES PICTURES AND GET-TOGETHER INFORMATION

Pictures of our high school and college graduates will be featured in an upcoming bulletin. Include student's name and school information with the photo. Photos may be given to Kimberlee or left in the office today. Photos will be returned. Everyone is invited to the get-together in the MP Room next Sunday evening after services to recognize the graduates. Bring snacks, desserts and beverages. Our high school graduates are Haley Johnson and Jordan Kirk.

MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Elders, Preachers, Deacons meeting 4:00, Men's meeting and Ladies' meeting 5:00 next Sunday

BIBLE BOWL MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

Mark Tonkery will have a meeting next Sunday in Room 109 after evening services for any youth (1st -12th grades) interested in participating in the Bible Bowl. The Bible Bowl will be Saturday, September 28. It will cover the book of Luke (NKJV). Any questions see him.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 MORNING CLASS

Mark will teach the 11:00 morning Bible class May 29. Following the class we will go to Henderson Hall for a picnic lunch. Rick Stanley will provide a tour of Henderson Hall. The tour will be \$8 each. There is a sign-up sheet on the counter for the lunch attendance count. Details are with the sign-up sheet. See Mark or Dwain for details.

OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP AT CAMP HERVIDA

OVCYC at Camp Hervida is requesting donations of supplies. The list is on the counter in the foyer. Items need to be left under the coat rack in the parking lot foyer by Wednesday, May 29. OVCYC Registration forms are available in the foyers.

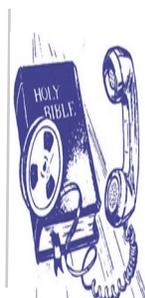


Six hundred students at a university were asked to write the most beautiful word in the English language. Four hundred and twenty-two wrote the word **mother**. One hundred and twelve wrote **home**.

(Taken from the House to House Heart to Heart paper vol. 18 no. 2).

Daily Bible Reading

- May 12 - Luke 24:36-53, 2 Samuel 15-16
- May 13 - John 1:1-34, 2 Samuel 17-18
- May 14 - John 1:35-51, 2 Samuel 19-20
- May 15 - John 2, 2 Samuel 21-22
- May 16 - John 3:1-21, 2 Samuel 23-24
- May 17 - John 3:22-36, 1 Kings 1
- May 18 - John 4:1-26, 1 Kings 2-3
- May 19 - John 4:27-54, 1 Kings 4-5



Bible Call ~ 304.420.2416

Hear Recorded Information on Hundreds of Bible Subjects
24 hours a day - 7 days a week
Keep up the good work of telling others about this program.
We had 174 calls = about 13 hours of Bible teaching for April.
Brochures are available in the foyers
Distribute to family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Out of the Fire

by David Sargent, Minister Church of Christ at Creekwood Mobile, Alabama 36695

It was an October day in 1959 in Bixby, Oklahoma. Six-year-old big sister was at school. Little two-year-old sister was playing in the house. Mom was also at home working in another room. Dad was at work. A carpenter was refinishing the hardwood floors in their old house. The carpenter's wife, accompanied by a five-year-old neighbor, had just arrived to pick him up. Then it happened. There was a loud explosion. When the hot water heater came on, it ignited the freshly sealed hardwood floor and the bucket of sealer that was sitting near the furnace. Instantly, fire raged in the dining room.

Mother ran out of the back of the house around to the front. The carpenter, his wife, and the 5-year-old had made it out safely. The two-year-old, however, was trapped inside. Mother heard her daughter screaming inside the dining room. Mother went to the window, ripped off the heavy screen window, threw it aside, and climbed into the smoke-filled room with fire blazing all around. Huddled in the corner just a couple of feet from the fire was her daughter. She was trying to shield herself from the fire with her arms. Mother ripped off her own skirt and wrapped her daughter in it. Carrying her, she climbed out of the window. By this time, Dad had arrived. Seeing that their daughter was badly burned, they rushed her to the hospital in Broken Arrow. It wouldn't be long before she would be rushed to a much larger, better-equipped hospital in Tulsa.

The little two-year-old had suffered terrible burns on her legs up to the middle of her thighs, on her right arm, and the right side of her face. Over a four-month period in the hospital, the little two-year-old underwent multiple surgeries to place skin grafts on the burn sites. Doctors even had to take her to surgery in order to change her dressings.

And every day, her mother was by her side.

That little girl, Pam, is now a wife and has a daughter of her own. She has experienced success as an executive of the Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan. She still walks with a limp and has scars on her legs and her right hand. But she is alive and well... and thankful for her loving mother, Helen Parham, who saved her life by pulling her out of the fire.

The love of this mother for her daughter should help us to recognize how much the Heavenly Father loves each one of us...

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). When we were doomed because of our sins, God sent Jesus to our rescue so that we would not perish in the flames of the fires of hell (Ephesians 1:7). He came so that so we might have eternal life in a glorious place called Heaven (John 14:1-6).

Jesus will save and give eternal life to those who accept His offer of salvation on His terms: placing their faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turning from sin in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confessing Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and being baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse those who strive to continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7).

Jesus has come to save YOU from the fire. He has something FAR BETTER for you!

Happy Mother's Day!



SERMON NOTES

The Eldership and Women

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 2:11-15



I. The role of the _____ in relation to the eldership.

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____

II. The role of _____ in relation to the eldership.

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____

III. The role of _____ in relation to the eldership.

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____

Bible Class: Starting today in the Adult Auditorium class we will begin our study of the Gospel of Luke.

Please note: The date to the Mission Trip to the Northeast church of Christ to assist with their VBS has changed to August 2,3, and 4, 2019.

Sermon this evening by Doug Wells entitled
What If Evolution Is True?
Romans 1:28

DOUG'S DISCUSSION



I Win

The Golden State Warriors are a professional basketball team that go into every game with a lot of confidence. They have four all-star players and they don't lose very much. Since they don't lose very much when they walk on the court they expect to win. Not that they always win . . . just usually. But what if the outcome was guaranteed? What if all they had to do was show up in the right uniform in order to guarantee that they held the trophy at the end? That might make the game a little boring but it sure would feel good to be them! That's exactly why it is so wonderful to be a Christian. "But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ" (2 Corinthians 2:14). All I have to do to win is to show up on the right team.

I say that knowing full well that it doesn't always LOOK that way. It LOOKS like we are losing all the time. Someone might see our family dealing with medical troubles and think "they're losing." They may see us not be able to afford a car repair or something and think "wouldn't want to be them." Perhaps observing us dealing with some kind of rejection from the world would lead to the opinion that we have the short end of the stick. But through it all I say "I win!" Wait a minute . . . what? I can see why someone might be confused. Let me explain: in Christ I win. No matter what, no matter what I'm facing, no matter what the situation looks like I win.

Christians, do you not know that in Christ you are victorious? How could you possibly lose? The One who made the heavens and the earth guards you in the palm of His hand. As Jesus says about His sheep: "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand" (John 10:28-29). God won the fight on the cross. All we have to do to win is to be on the right team. We just have to be in God's hands. That gives us so much confidence! Going through life knowing that we cannot lose means that it is quite nice to be us, amen? So let us join in this praise: "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever" (Psalm 118:1).



I Miss You Mom

I thought of you with love today,
 but that is nothing new.
 I thought about you yesterday,
 and days before that too.
 I think of you in silence,
 I often speak your name.
 All I have are memories,
 and your picture in a frame.
 Your memory is my keepsake,
 with which I'll never part.
 God has you in his keeping,
 I have you in my heart.

~Copied



Birthdays and Anniversaries

June 2 - Jansen Goldsmith, *Tim & Nancy Proffitt
 June 3 - Kevin Cochran, Glenn Snider, *Len & Susan Haid
 June 4 - Bronwyn Sheppard
 June 5 - Bill Mills
 June 6 - Jim Hughes, Kooper Inman
 June 7 - Scott Eddy
 June 8 - Holly Haught
 June 10 - Brenda Feick
 June 11 - Debbie Tallman, * Pat & Bev RIne
 June 12 - *Cody & Kristi Hoover
 June 14 - *Jim & Sandy Hughes, *Walter & Merilee Morgan
 June 16 - Claire Moser, *Jim & Charlotte Galloway,
 *Kevin & Becky Inman, *Ron & Peggy Riddle
 June 17 - Hayden Moser, Larry Plant
 June 18 - Rachel Tuner, *Jay & Nina Chevront
 June 21 - *Kyle & Sarah Inman
 June 22 - *Josh & Brittany Gray, *Kelly & Sandy Sheppard
 June 23 - Ann Knotts
 June 24 - Jo Langler
 June 25 - Maci Inman, Jennifer Thomas, *Don & Brenda Dougherty,
 *Ryan & Madison Highman, *Todd & Annette Kirk
 June 28 - *Bill & Carolyn Davis
 June 30 - Robin Anthony, Stan Inman, Lenore Vaught

If your anniversary and/or birthday is not on this list and you would like to be on the church calendar, please notify the office this week.

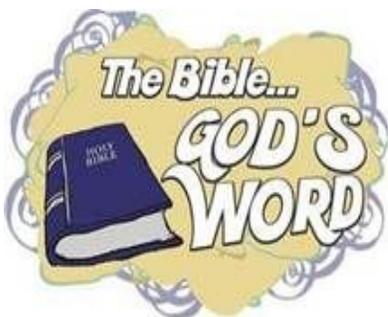
Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

There are a lot of things I could tell you that you'd probably believe. How about: I went to the gym yesterday for about two hours. Just as you are about to compliment my efforts my wife walks by and says "No, he didn't! He sat around like a bum and watched T.V. all day." Do you see how that works? You thought you knew the truth but another voice set you straight. As Proverbs 18:17 says "The first to present his case seems right, till another comes forward and questions him."

Have you ever wondered what you believe simply because it was the first thing you heard? Because Dad said it, because an older brother said it, because your all-wise kindergarten teacher said it, you believe it. Their statements seemed right to you at the time so you accepted them. Sadly, our role models do not always speak the truth. I suggest opening God's Word and letting what you read challenge your beliefs. Perhaps then what only seems right will be replaced with what is actually right.

I am Doug Wells with the Camden Avenue Church of Christ where you are always welcome.





Washington's mother

A French officer once asked George Washington's mother how she managed to rear such a splendid son. She simply replied, "I taught him to obey."

Obedience is something that must be taught. In the perilous times, there will be those who are "disobedient to parents" (2 Timothy 3:2). The whole idea of rebellion against parents and authority is ungodly.

Children are told to honor their father and mother, obeying them in the Lord (Ephesians 6:1-2). We must teach them to obey, or they will have to answer for it. We should set the example in showing obedience to our Father (Hebrews 5:9; 1 John 5:3).

(T. Doy Moyer, The South End Expounder via. the House to House Heart to Heart paper Vol. 15 No. 3).

Upcoming Events



May 12 - 16

Gospel Meeting
Crum Ridge Church of Christ
Speaker: Tim Hatfield

May 17 - 18

Fort Hill Men's Retreat
Brochures on foyer bulletin boards

Flyers are posted on the bulletin boards in the foyers for these events.

Serving In Worship

Sunday, May 19

ELDER IN CHARGE - Jim Galloway

DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM - David Epler

PM - Scott Smith

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ron Riddle

Close - Pat Rine

6:00 PM - John Life

Close - Jimmy Galloway

SCRIPTURE

AM - Len Haid

PM - Josh Hall

COMMUNION

AM - Kyle Inman

PM - Paul Inman

Jeff Taberner

PA SYSTEM - Clayton Huber

The Lawn Crew for this week includes Don Dougherty, Mike Bayer, Chris Hofmann, Scott Johnson, and Gene Dulaney.



Facts and Figures

May 5, 2019

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| AM Service..... | 293 |
| Bible Study..... | 198 |
| PM Service..... | 184 |
| Wednesday..... | 173 |
| Contribution..... | \$8166.63 |

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

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|----------------------------------|---|
| Baptisms..... | 2 |
| Restored or Requested Prayers... | 1 |
| Placed Membership..... | 1 |

Service Times

Sunday

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| AM Worship..... | 9:30 |
| Bible Study.... | 15 min. after worship |
| PM Worship..... | 6:00 |

Wednesday

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| Bible Study..... | 7:00PM |
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Watch **"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"**

will air each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP, Dish Channel 239, Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT TV Channel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday 5:00PM.



May 19
YOUR HEART



Friday Night Sing

Transportation will leave Friday at 6:15 for the sing at the George Street congregation in St. Mary's.



Please join us!