Camden Avenue Church of Christ 2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101 We welcome you to the church of Christ that meets at Camden Avenue.

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LLL Showcase today at 4:30 in the Multi-purpose Room. Come view the projects and encourage the students.

Items are needed for their piCniC on the way to the Convention. The list is on the Counter in the foyer. Items need to be at the building by Wednesday.

They leave Thursday morning for the convention in Louisville, KY and return next Sunday.

We wish them well at the convention and pray for their safe travels.

Elders:

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

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Please keep our church family in your prayers.

Mary Ann Barclay, Hazel Cozad, Patty Dawson, Bob and Lillie Fox, Shorty and Gloria Frazier, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, John Rockhold, Neil Russell, Keith Smith, Valeria Sprout, Jim VanCamp

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Sam Armstead (Member at Pataskla congregation-having surgery), Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Tammy Hatfield, Janet Heron (Neighbor of Dearll and Carol Vincent), Josh Kupfner (Dearll & Carol Vincent's grandson), Sikarin Lambamrung (Friend of Drake Logston), Ruby Miller (Ted Miller's mother), Bev Rine, Darrell Sams (Ray's brother), Karen Newberry Shaw, Tracy Sheppard (Niece of Gwen Lucas), Mary Sims (Billie Coe's aunt), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Shirley Sutton (Margaret Dawkins' sister), Elaine Vincent (Margaret Dawkins' sister-in-law), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt), Pat Willey (Friend of Mary Daniel), Sandy Yoho

Please call the office to add/delete names to the Prayer Lists.



Look around you and be distressed, Look within you and be depressed. Look to JESUS and be at rest.

Psalms 120:1



- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful anniversary cards. Love, **Dave and Lois Nulter**
- ♥ Thank you for the nice cards. Mary Edwards
- ♥ Thank you for my birthday cards! They were awesome! Edwin Hoover
- ♥ I appreciate all of the birthday cards. Donovan Walton



VBS MEETING

There will be a VBS meeting today after worship and Bible study in Room 109.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 1 invites <u>everyone</u> to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room following worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES SHOWCASE

Everyone is encouraged to view the students projects at the LLL showcase today at 4:30 in the MP Room.

BASEBALL TRIP MEETING

Rick Stanley would like to meet this evening after services in Room 109 with anyone interested in the August baseball trip to Pittsburgh.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening in the MP Room. 5:45 dinner, 6:20 short devotional and work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food items <u>and</u> attendance count. <u>Please sign if you plan to attend</u>.

BABY SHOWER

There will be a shower for Brandon and Calle Sheppard's baby girl Saturday, April 19 at 1:00 in the MP Room. They are registered at Babies R Us.

MEN'S MEETING/BIBLE BUSTERS

The Men's meeting will be next Sunday at 5:00 with Bible Busters for the children at 5:30.

GOLDEN AGERS LONGABERGER TRIP

Our Golden Agers will be going to Dresden, OH the home of the Longaberger baskets Tuesday, April 22. Leaving at 8:00AM, breakfast at Denny's, and returning around 5:00-6:00PM. There will be a \$5.00 fuel fee. Please sign the sheet if you would like to go.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The sign-up sheet is on the counter for the Men's breakfast at the Golden Corral April 26 at 8:30.

LADIES GARDEN TEA-APRIL 26th-12:00 NOON

Hoping that you have marked the date in joining us for lunch and fellowship. Remember to sign the sheet in the foyer. Baby sitting will not be provided.

FORT GAY, WV CONGREGATION

Help is still needed for the mission work at the Fort Gay, WV congregation July 16-23. We will distribute literature for their gospel meeting with Dana and Vacation Bible School Saturday, July 19. Teachers, craft workers, and helpers are needed. The sign-up sheet is on the counter. See Rick Stanley, Todd Kirk, or Bill Mills for details.



DANA'S DIRECTION Ten Commandments of Jesus.

In recent years, one national restaurant chain promoted itself by the campaign "No rules – Just Right". An assertion that is foolish on its face, but appeals to a society of people who don't like to be told what to do. When questioned, a company spokesman claimed it applies only to the food – you can have it any way you wish. If you think that is so, order your hamburger very rare – there are rules – for our protection.

It reminds me of an attitude that many have toward Christianity. I have heard it described by preachers as "Not rules, but a relationship". The Law had commandments – from which we have been freed in Christ. This too, is foolish on its face. There is a reason that Christianity is referred to not only as the faith of Christ, but the Law of Christ as well. (Galatians 6:2) Just as many believe the Law had only ten commandments, opposed to the over 600 it actually did, others believe that Jesus had only two (Mark 12:20). Some time ago, I ran across a list some author referred to as the "Ten Commandments of Jesus." Although it is not inclusive, it does make reference to several of our Lord's "rules" for those who follow him and call Him Lord.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF JESUS

<u>First and greatest commandment</u> - "And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." (Mark 12:30)

Second commandment is like it – "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31)

Third, a new commandment - "Love one another" (John 13:34)

- <u>Fourth, the hard commandment</u> "Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you" (Matthew 5:44)
- <u>Fifth, the golden commandment</u> "Whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them" (Matthew 7:12).
- <u>Sixth, the seeking commandment</u> "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33).
- <u>Seventh, the mercy commandment</u> "Therefore, be merciful, just as your Father is also mercifull" (Luke 6:36).
- <u>Eighth, the highest commandment</u> "Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5:48).
- <u>Ninth, the commission commandment</u> "Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19).
- <u>Tenth, the inclusive commandment</u> "Teaching them to observe **all things** that I have **commanded you**" (Matthew 28:20)

* "If you love Me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15)

"The Cross-Centered Church" (I Corinthians 1:18-24)

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"For	request a sign, a	nd Greeks	seek after _		; but	: we preach	n Christ
	, to the Jews a	blo	ck and to the	e Greeks _			, but to
those who are	, both J	ews and Gr	eeks, Christ	the	of Go	od and the	
of	God." (I Cor. 1:22-24	4)					
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is not risen, your	, then our faith is	; you are	still in your		" (I Cor. 1	5:14-19)	
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	" (I Cor. 2:2)	0					
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preached to you	that Christ	fo	r our sins ac	cording to	the		, and
that he was	, and that h	ne	again t	he third da	y according	to the Scr	iptures."
(I Cor. 15:1-4)			_				
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all	to Myself." (Johr	า 12:32)					
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the cross to deal	with the	in	the church a	at Corinth.			
Preaching the cro	oss can strengthen _		and		"Husba	nds,	
your wives, just a	o ss can strengthen _ is lov	ed the		_ and	h	imself for h	ner."
(Eph. 5:25) "Wive	es you	urself to you	ur own		as unto the	e Lord." (Ep	h. 5:22)
Preaching the cro	oss can teach us to b "Though he was a	e better pa	rents by tea	ching		and	
	"Though he was a	son, yet he	learned		by 1	the things v	which he
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, t	ineretore glority God	in your bod	ly and your s	pirit which	are God's.	"I Cor. 6:19	9-20)
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h	imself, take up his .		daily, ai	nd		_ me." (Luk	(e 9:23)



We will be leaving for our annual convention in Louisville on Thursday. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel. I am excited for the time we get to spend with our children as they show the effort they have put forth this year. My favorite part each year is on Saturday morning. The speech event is first up that day. This is one of the most time consuming events for the kids to prepare for and makes them the most nervous. You see all of these future leaders dressed for the occasion. It is such an encouragement for everyone there. I am sure the other people staying in the hotel take notice of the fine example these kids are setting. I would invite each one of you to attend our Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Showcase this afternoon at 4:30 in the Multi-Purpose Room. This is a great opportunity to see our children's work.

Thank You Todd Kirk

Evan Fleak

Good Samaritan – Platinum Song Leading – Winner Circle **Calais Nygard** Bible Bowl Test Bible bowl Team Debate Parade of Winners Year Round Songs of Praise – Gold **Kelsey Wadlington** Art Says It – Drawing/Sketching Art Says It – Photography Good Samaritan – Platinum Songs of Praise Group Banner

Madison Taberner Hostess Volunteer Art Says It - Photography Bible Bowl Test **Bible Bowl Team** Year Round Bible Reading/Study - Silver Debate Know the Books - Gold **GIFTS III** Good Samaritan – Platinum Mass Media – PowerPoint Group Scrapbook Songs of Praise – Winner Circle Year Round Songs of Praise - Gold Speech Group banner Keepers - Sewing/Ironing/Laundry

The convention will be April 18-20 in Louisville, KY. If you would like to make a monetary donation to help with the cost of sending students to the LLL convention, please see Bill Mills or Todd Kirk.



Local Congregations Events

<u>April 13–16</u> Central Church of Christ–Clarksburg Speaker: Robert "Bob" Vincent

> <u>April 20-23</u> North End congregation Speaker: David Lipe

<u>April 27-May 1</u> Little Hocking congregation Speaker: Willie Franklin

<u>April 27-May 2</u> Congregation in Salem,WV Speaker: Ed Melott

<u>Tuesday, April 19</u> Senior Saint Day Dewey Avenue congregation 10:00-12:00 Noon

Flyers are on the bulletin boards in the foyers.



YOUTH EVENTS

6th—12th Grade Devotional April 26 at Ron and Peggy Riddle's farm

Ladies Weekend

North End congregation May 16 and 17 For young ladies, all ages can attend Details on youth bulletin board

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR THESE EVENTS ARE ON THE COUNTER

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Have you ever wondered why your children seem to grow up so fast? It seems like yesterday they were babies and then suddenly they are off to college or some job.

Children are such a precious gift from God, and each day we have with our children is a blessing. However, for some, children are a hassle to be endured. This view says more about the attitude of the parent than the value of the child.



Children are children, and we cannot expect them to think or act as adults. They must learn so many little lessons in life in order to grow to full maturity. They

will make plenty of mistakes in their lives, some through no fault of their own. Daily, they require lots of time, energy, and money.

Parenting is not for the lazy, the timid, or the selfish. But rather than be down on children, we all need to remember that someone took 20 years to raise US! David said, "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward" (Psalm 127:3)

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.

Opportunities To Serve Sunday, April 20

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

SONG LEADER

AM—John Life PM—Kyle Inman PRAYER 9:30 AM—Stan Inman Close—Jim Hinzman 6:00 PM—Rick Stanley Close—Dennis Keller SCRIPTURE AM—Scott Johnson PM—Bill Merrill COMMUNION TABLE AM—Bill Hoover PM—Todd Kirk

Richard Cozad

PA SYSTEM-Jim Galloway

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Hershman Crew.



They include Kevin Cochran, Doug Hershman, Braden Hesselrode, and Doug Hinzman.

MAY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

May 1-*Ted and Rebecca Miller

May 2-Calvin Martin

May 3-Kristi Hoover

- May 5-Linda Blair, Belinda Buckley
- May 7–Don Gaston, Jim Hinzman, Madonna Smith, *John and Karen Life
- May 10–Dwain Shears
- May 11–Austin Hennen, Herb Wright
- May 12—Kiley Goldsmith, Jenny Ware, *Chris and Terry Cox
 - May 13 Michael Ludwig, Paul Nygard
- May 14-Braden Hesselrode, Bill Pralley, *Bob and Gala Miller
- May 15-Dave Nulter, Brady Sheppard
- May 16-Len Haid
- May 19-Doug Hinzman
- May 20-Jay Cheuvront, Rick Stanley, Brenan Yoho
- May 21-*Jon and Brandi Hescht
- May 22–Kira Miller, *Mike and Kelly Fleak
- May 23-Cindy Huxley
- May 26-Kaleb Cochran, Klay Cochran, *Delmas and Naomi Carr
- May 27-Kaelyn Alexander
- May 28 Sarah Hinzman
- May 29-John Rockhold III

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

Facts and Figures

April 6, 2014 AM Service......323 Bible Study......241 PM Service.....177 Wednesday......220 Contribution....\$9433.50 MEMBERSHIP FOR 2014 Baptisms.....0 Restored or Requested Prayers....1 Placed Membership.....2

Schedule of Services Sunday AM Worship......9:30 Bible Study......11:00 PM Worship......6:00 Wednesday

Bible Study......7:00PM

Daily Bible Reading

April 13—Luke 10:21-42, Jud 1-2 April 14—Luke 11:1-28, Jud 3-4 April 15—Luke 11:29-54, Jud 5-6 April 16—Luke 12:1-21, Jud 7-8 April 17—Luke 12:22-40, Jud 9-10 April 18—Luke 12:41-59, Jud 11-13 April 19—Luke 13:1-17, Jud 14-16 April 20—Luke 13:18-35, Jud 17-19



OVU Student Pick-Up

Sunday, April 13 Ted Miller, Barry Mills Wednesday, April 16 Kyle Inman Sunday, April 20 Scott Johnson, Kyle Inman Wednesday, April 23 Mike Bayer

