

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.

Volume 47, Number 9 - March 2, 2014

You are invited to our **Gospel Meeting** with Brother Jay Lockhart March 9—12.

Theme: “Things Most Surely Believed Among Us” Luke 1:1



Sunday 9:30AM—The Identity of Christ

Sunday 11:00AM Bible study—The Majesty of God

Sunday 6:00PM—The Words of the Holy Spirit

Monday 7:00PM—The Meaning of the Cross

Tuesday 7:00PM—The New Testament Church

Wednesday 7:00PM—The Disciples Were Called Christians

Invite your family and friends.

Elders:

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

Deacons:

Delmas Carr
 Marion Goldsmith
 Leonard Haid
 Brian Haught
 Doug Hershman
 Rob Hoover
 William Hoover
 Kyle Inman
 Scott Johnson
 Todd Kirk
 Paul Saunders
 Dwain Shears
 Keith Smith
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Please keep our church family in your prayers.

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

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Max Cowdery (Keith's brother), Lone Dusek (Carrie Nygard's mother), Kim England (Ann Knott's brother-in-law), Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Tammy Hatfield, Ruby Miller (Ted Miller's mother), Bev Rine, Karen Newberry Shaw, Tracy Sheppard (Neice of Gwen Lucas), 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.



- ♥ Thank you for the anniversary cards. **Mike and Gwen Lucas**
- ♥ Thank you all for the cards I have received. **Geraldine Pahl**
- ♥ Nancy and I want to thank everyone for our Christmas cards, anniversary cards, and all our birthday cards, we received since the first of the year. It sure is nice to be thought of in your elder years. Thanks again. **Ira Kimes**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards, visits, phone calls and prayers. I appreciated them very much. **Keith Cowdery**
- ♥ I received so many special birthday wishes. Thanks to all of you who are so faithful in sending cards. I loved each one. Your sister in Christ, **Sandy Hughes**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards, prayers and for going to the funeral home in the passing of my sister, Pat Boso. **Margaret Dawkins**

Thank you to Sandy Hughes for baking the communion bread this month.

DEACON'S MEETING

Deacon's meeting today at 5:00.

CARE GROUP 4 MEETING THIS EVENING

Care Group 4 will have a brief meeting this evening after services in Room 109.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening at 5:45 dinner and 6:20 devotional and work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food and attendance count.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 4 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch next Sunday in the MP Room following worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages to share.

GOSPEL MEETING

Our Gospel Meeting with Brother Jay Lockhart will begin next Sunday, March 9-12. Make plans to attend each service and invite others. You'll be glad you did.

TUESDAY LADIES CLASS

The Tuesday Ladies Class will meet March 18 at 7:00PM in the MP Room.

COUPONS

Please remember to bring coupons to the library for the exchange. Feel free to take any you can use.

MILDRED GAULT'S PHONE NUMBER

Please make a note of Mrs. Gault's telephone number. It is 304.834.3236.

LADS TO LEADERS

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. The convention will be April 18-20 in Louisville, KY.

LLL MENTORS

Just a little reminder to the Lads to Leaders mentors to please check with your students. They might need a little encouragement.



Don't forget to spring your clocks ahead
Saturday evening, March 8.

Daily Bible Reading

March 2—Mark 7:1-23, Nu 7
March 3—Mark 7:24-37, Nu 8
March 4—Mark 8:1-21, Nu 9-10
March 5—Mark 8:22-38, Nu 11-13
March 6—Mark 9:1-29, Nu 14
March 7—Mark 9:30-50, Nu 15-16
March 8—Mark 10:1-31, Nu 17-18
March 9—Mark 10:32-52, Nu 19-20



DANA'S DIRECTION

"A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION"

Joe Wright Kansas Senate Prayer

On January 23, 1996 Joe Wright was invited to serve as guest chaplain in the Kansas State House of Representatives. His prayer was not the generic, politically correct one that was expected. It was said that most of those in attendance were outraged and some walked out. Without a doubt, it is a blunt and direct indictment on modern culture. Within just a few weeks the church where Wright preaches received thousands of phone calls. Surprisingly, only a few dozen of those calls were from those who were responding negatively. In the weeks to follow the church received international requests for copies of this prayer from all over the world.

"Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your forgiveness and seek your direction and guidance. We know your Word says, "Woe to those who call evil good," but that's exactly what we've done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and inverted our values.

We confess that we have ridiculed the absolute truth of your Word and called it moral pluralism.

We have worshipped other gods and called it multiculturalism.

We have endorsed perversion and called it an alternative lifestyle.

We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery.

We have neglected the needy and called it self-preservation.

We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare.

We have killed our unborn and called it choice.

We have shot abortionists and called it justification.

We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building esteem.

We have abused power and called it political savvy.

We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition.

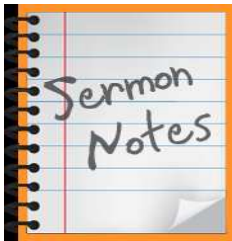
We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression.

We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our fore-fathers and called it enlightenment.

Search us O God and know our hearts today; try us and see if there be some wicked way in us; cleanse us from every sin and set us free.

Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent here by the people of Kansas, and who have been ordained by you, to govern this great state. Grant them your wisdom to rule and may their decisions direct us to the center of your will. I ask it in the name of your son, the living savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen."



Sermon Notes

Text: _____

Title: _____

Notes: _____

What I learned: _____

Questions I have: _____

Application to my life: _____

Paul Nygard will be preaching at both services today in Dana's absence.
Dana is in a Gospel Meeting at the Park Avenue congregation in Charleston
that began Friday and will conclude today.

...And the Lord added
to the church daily
those who were being
saved.

Is The Church Necessary?

It seems that many people today have accepted the view that the church is not a necessary part of our salvation. We are told that it is alright if we want it but that our eternal salvation does not depend on it. We hear people saying that the church does not save people but that it is Christ that saves our souls. This is certainly true but the question that should be of concern is whether Christ saves us through His church or not.

Is the church then necessary for salvation? Consider the following facts. God planned the church in eternity. When Paul, the apostle was explaining the wisdom that God demonstrated in His dealing with mankind, He stated that a part of the plan of God that demonstrated His wisdom was in His planning of the church in eternity. "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Eph. 3.10-11). If God in His power and wisdom took the time in eternity to plan the church, does it seem logical to assume that he was thinking about something that is not even necessary? Remember also that Christ, the Son of God, died to purchase the church. "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood" (Acts 20.28). If the church were purchased with the precious blood of Jesus, does it seem that God allowed His Son to die for something that is not necessary?

The church does not deserve to be treated as an unimportant part of God's plan of eternal redemption. God saves men and women in the church (Eph. 5.22-25).

Submitted by: P Nygard



Travelling Youth Group

The Travelling Youth Group will meet at the Lubeck congregation this evening.

Youth: Meet in the foyer at 5:30 to go.

Area Wide Teen Devotional

March 3—Mineral Wells, 7:00-8:30

Sign-up sheet is on the counter. Indicate if you will need transportation.

(Transportation will leave here at 6:30.)

6th-12th Grade Devotional

We are planning a 6th-12th grade devo. for March 15. Details to follow.

OVU Student Pick-Up

Sunday, March 2

Mike Bayer, Kyle Inman

Wednesday, March 5

Ted Miller

SPRING BREAK



Valet Parking Service

March 2 and 5

Herb Wright, Dwain Shears

Wednesday 11:00 Bible study

Chris Tallman, Herb Wright

March 9 and 12

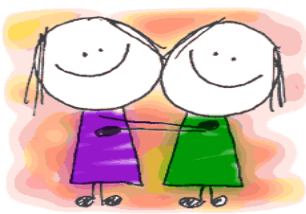
Jimmy Galloway, Dwain Shears

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Have you ever noticed how poorly people treat each other? We've all been there. We've all said something disparaging about another driver who cuts us off in traffic. We have all read an article about some unfortunate soul and said, "He got what he deserved."

Why are we so quick to look down on other people? Is it because there's no other way to make ourselves feel better? Actually the contrary is true. The only way to improve our lives is to help others!



And in another sense, it has more to do with God! The less time we spend learning to know God and what He wants us to do, the more time we have to criticize others. The more that we invite God into the details of our lives, the more likely we will be to encourage and lift up other people rather than tear them down. Why not try to live a life filled with love for others?

As Paul said, "And we walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us..." (Ephesians 5:2)

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, March 9

ELDER IN CHARGE - Ron Riddle

DEACON IN CHARGE - Leonard Haid

SONG LEADERS

AM—John Life

PM—Jim Galloway

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Gary Herridge

Close—Paul Inman

6:00 PM—Dearll Vincent

Close—Paul Nygard

SCRIPTURE

AM—Stan Inman

PM—Bill Mills

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Dana Slingluff

PM—Brian Haught

Dave Wadlington

PA SYSTEM—Todd Kirk

DOOR GREETERS

AM
1—Dwain Shears
2—Jon Hescht
4—Brandi Hescht

PM
1. Paul & Barbara Saunders
2. Jim & Sallie Hinzman
3. Harold & Sally Shank
4. Gary & Sharon Herridge
5. Steve & Linda Gray
6. John & Linda Hall



April Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 2—Macey Dean

April 3—Pam Bayer

April 4—Oren Gore, John Hall, David Mullins, *Mike and Pam Bayer

April 5—Edwin Hoover

April 6—Calle Sheppard, Mike Wade, *John and Linda Hall

April 8—Alex Saunders

April 9—Little Patrick Davis

April 10—Delbert Beach, Sarah Gray, Sharon Smith, *Dave and Lois Nulter

April 12—Deanna Hilliard

April 13—Steve Gray

April 14—Pat Burkey, Jimmy Galloway

April 15—*Doug and Alisha Herschman

April 16—*Brian and Ann Knotts

April 17—Dustin Hughes

April 19—Zoe Byrum

April 20—Bob Miller

April 21—Breck Hesselrode, Lauren Proffitt, Carly Taberner

April 24—Lizzy Hoover, Lois Porter

April 27—Mandy Camp, *Gilbert and Lucille Hardman

April 28—Carolyn Davis

April 29—Sarah Buckley

*Anniversary

Facts and Figures

February 23, 2014

AM Service.....307

Bible Study.....219

PM Service.....203

Wednesday.....222

Contribution.....\$6366.00

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

Watch
"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S
WAY"

Sunday mornings at 7:30 on
WTAP-TV, Dish Channel 259,
DIRECT channel 364, and
6:30AM on local cable channel 4.

UPCOMING TOPICS

March 9
GODS OF THIS WORLD

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave
here Friday at 5:10 for
the sing at the Bridgeport
congregation.