

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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American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, February 9, 2015

1:00—6:00PM

MP Room

Sign-up sheets on the counter.

Minister:

Dana Slingluff
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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.**

Sharon Armstrong, Kim Barclay, Mary Ann Barclay, Zoe Byrum, Mary Caplinger, Hazel Cozad, Chelsea Doonan, Mike Fleak, Jo Florence, Lillie Fox, Gloria Frazier, Jim Merrill, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Steve Allen, Linda Baker (Friend of Jim and Sallie Hlnzman), (Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Debbie Caplinger (Dearll and Carol Vincent's neighbor), Billy Goodwin, Angie Ivey (Pat Barclay's niece), Baby Jacobs, Jodi Mote (Martha Metz' grandson), Patti Patrick (Kay Mills' sister), Lisa Osbourne (Steve Moser's sister), Virginia Sias (Lucille Hardman's sister), George and Sondra Simpson (Brenda Dougherty's uncle and aunt), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Rick Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's son-in-law), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

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



Congratulations to Harold and Sally Shank in the birth of their granddaughter.

Hannah Ruth Shank arrived January 18 at 5:45PM. She is the daughter of Nathan and Amanda Shank of Oklahoma City, OK.

THANK YOU NOTES. . .

♥ Thanks so much for all the birthday and holiday cards and pictures of grandchildren. That was so nice of everyone.

Love, **Donna McConnell**

♥ A big thank you for the cards, gifts and best wishes for our anniversary. Appreciate your kindness. **Bill and De**

♥ Thank you for cards and prayers during my surgery and when I returned home. Special thank you to Dave and Lois for the food and all their help. Love, **Madonna Smith**

We truly appreciate you choosing to worship with us.



PRAYERS REQUESTED

We rejoice that Allie Moore requested prayers Sunday evening. We are proud of Allie and the decision she made. Her husband, Justin was baptized last Wednesday evening. We welcome Justin, Allie and Cameron! We are so glad to have them worshipping with us!

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Care Group 3 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch in the MP Room next Sunday after worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, deserts and beverages.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our blood drive will be Monday, February 9 from 1:00-6:00PM in the MP Room. Sign-up sheets are on the counter.

HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY TO CHARLOTTE BURTON FEBRUARY 10TH!

Let's help make Mrs. Burton's 100th birthday a special one! Birthday cards may be left on the card table in the rear of the auditorium by next Sunday or you may send them to her at The Monroe House, 513 East 16th Street, Mtn Home, AR 72653.

SWEETHEART DINNER

Couples of all ages are invited to the Sweetheart Dinner Saturday, February 14 at 5:00PM in the MP Room. We will take couple's pictures, enjoy fun activities and Christian fellowship. This will be a covered dish dinner. The twist on the fun evening is that the men do **ALL** the cooking! We will vote on the best entrée in each category, including Bread and Appetizer, Soup and Salad, Main Dish, Side Dish and Dessert. The sign-up sheet is on the counter for an attendance count.

CHRISTIAN WOMAN MAGAZINE

If you would like to purchase *Christian Woman* magazine, please make checks payable to Robin Anthony for \$15.98 for each subscription by February 15.

GOLDEN AGERS SOUP BEAN DINNER—GAME NIGHT

The Golden Agers Soup Bean Dinner—Game Night will be Monday, February 16 at 5:30PM in the MP Room. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food items and attendance count.

2015 MEDICAL CAMPAIGN—CUSCO, PERU (MARCH 8—14)

We received a request from Ryan and Sarah Davis, missionaries in Cusco for assistance with the 2015 Medical Campaign. There is a need for medical professionals, especially MDs, RNs, FNPs, Pas, etc. This is a traveling medical clinic in Cusco, Peru and possibly nearby village(s). The cost is approximately \$1,500 plus optional sightseeing costs. This campaign represents the biggest impact that the congregation has on the city of Cusco the entire year. Many of those that come to the clinic agree to study the Bible. If you are interested, contact them at DavisCuscoMission@gmail.com.



Five Part Harmony

I was about six years old when I first heard of the words “soprano, alto, tenor and bass.” At the old West Huntsville church building, a brother from Tennessee, A.J. Vetito, conducted the first of several singing schools at the church. By the end of that week, we all knew “do, re, mi, fa, sol, la, ti, do.” We all could sing the scale and learned so many new songs. The singing at that congregation vastly improved in these annual schools.

I learned to listen to all the various parts and how they harmonized. There is nothing which sounds more beautiful to me than blending of voices in praising God.

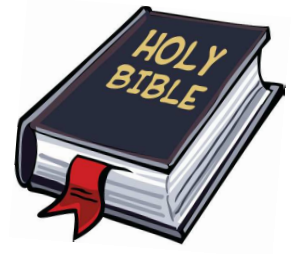
In the sixth grade I began attending Christian schools. The first was in Athens, Alabama, and the second was in Huntsville. I am so thankful for the choruses at both of these schools where I grew in my appreciation for singing in worship. I owe to one of the choral directors, Wayne Hemingway, an even greater debt. He constantly emphasized understanding the words of songs and their meaning. In fact, before we learned a new song we would spend time discussing what we were trying to say to each other as we sang. He even did this for older songs and I soon learned that while I had known the music of those songs, I did not know the songs meaning!

You see, there is another aspect of singing harmoniously that has nothing to do with “do, re, and mi.” Look carefully at Ephesians 5:19. Our use of the *music* attached to psalms, hymns and spiritual songs is *not* emphasized. Paul said, “Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord.” Look at it carefully. The emphasis is not on the melody made with the voice, but the melody in the heart!

Now look at the passage again. The verse does not say making melody in your hearts (plural)! It is singular. In the Greek, the word “your” is plural (congregational), but the heart is singular. There is the harmony of every individual heart, as we sing with one heart to the Lord. In Colossians 3:16, the text speaks of hearts, but the emphasis in Ephesians is on the singular heart we bring before God. God does not care how skilled you are in harmonizing “do, re, mi”! We do not just blend our voices, we blend our hearts.

Look at singing as it ascends to heaven and enters the throne room of heaven. Do we really think that God judges our singing based on four part harmony? The melody that sweetens heaven is that fifth part harmony when it comes from the one heart of His people. Let’s learn all we can about four part harmony, but may we never fail to place the right emphasis on the harmony of our souls as we worship our Maker!

Sermon Notes



Dana is attending the Freed Hardeman Lectures. In his absence, Dr. Harold Shank will be speaking this morning and Paul Meredith will be speaking this evening. Paul is a Bible instructor at Ohio Valley University.

We pray for safe travels for the group attending the lectures from our congregation.



Tiny Teachers

Children are the best teachers in the world. They teach young women how to be mothers and young men how to be fathers. They teach older men and women how to be grandparents. They teach brothers and sisters how to be brothers and sisters.

Think about all the skills children teach people. They teach moms how to be nurses and dads how to be heroes. They teach brothers and sisters how to share toys, rooms, dreams, and cookies. They even teach teachers how to teach in creative and fun ways.

Children teach the world how to love. They teach us to look past a person's skin color right to his or her heart. They teach us how to be honest, open and innocent. And they teach us how to hug and laugh and be enthusiastic.

Children make us keep our promises because they never forget one that we make. They even make us into scientists and professors by asking "Why?" about everything that moves and many things that don't.

Isn't it interesting that while we are teaching our children to be adults, they are teaching us how to be children? That's especially important when we remember that Jesus said "*Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these*" (Matthew 29:14).

M. Hollingsworth

Prayers For Our Children

COURAGE "May my children always be strong and courageous in their character and actions" (Deuteronomy 31:6)

PURITY "Create in them a pure heart, O God, and let that purity of heart be sown in their actions" (Psalms 51:10)

GENEROSITY "Grant that my children may be generous and willing to share, and do lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age." (I Timothy 6:18-19)

PEACE-LOVING "Father, let my children make every effort to do what leads to peace." (Romans 14:19)

HUMILITY "God, please cultivate in my children the ability to show true humility toward all." (Titus 3:2)



Winter Youth Devotionals

February 2—Rosemar

February 9—Waverly

February 16—Sunrise

February 23—Barlow-Vincent

7:00-8:30PM

See youth bulletin board by the office for details.

We will provide transportation. Departure times on the bulletin board.

Sign-up sheets on the counter.



Youth Super Bowl Party

This evening after service at the Taberner's home.

Directions are with sign-up sheet on the counter.

Christian Youth Challenge

The balance of CYC money needs to be given to Paul Saunders by February 11.

Canton Youth Rally

March 20-21

Sign-up sheet on the counter.

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

There is no greater feeling in the world than to know that you are absolutely, completely, and unconditionally loved. On the other hand, there is no greater emptiness one can experience than to feel—either rightly or wrongly—that no one loves them.

Sadly, there are people from all walks of life who feel unloved. Some are married, some have families, some have friends, yet they live with an emptiness and loneliness—that cannot be ignored. Maybe you feel this way.

The truth is that most people who feel unloved have a distorted view of reality. They aren't really completely unloved—they just don't recognize the love that is in their life. Their emotional pain blinds them to the fact that they have friends and family who love them very much.

If you feel unloved, there is someone who does love you, and He matters very much. God loves you with all his heart. Completely. Without holding back. John 3:16 tells us, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son..." That means for you and me!!!!

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, February 8

ELDER IN CHARGE—Bill Mills
DEACON IN CHARGE – Kyle Inman

SONG LEADER

AM—Rick Stanley
PM—Brian Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM—John Life
Close—Kevin Cochran
6:00 PM—Paul Inman
Close—Scott Smith

SCRIPTURE

AM—Ryan Logston
PM—Bob Miller

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Bill Merrill
PM—Kody Inman
Breck Hesselrode

PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1—Paul Saunders
2—Keith Smith
4—Eloise Smith

PM

1. Cody & Kristi Hoover
2. Melva Farris & Jo Langler
3. Jimmy Galloway & Ryan Gaston
4. Doug & Alisha Hershman
5. Don & Sheri Gaston
6. Bob & Gala Miller

Facts and Figures

January 25, 2015

AM Service.....291
Bible Study.....223
PM Service.....231
Wednesday.....207
Contribution.....\$5979.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015

Baptisms.....1
Restored or Requested
Prayers.....1
Placed Membership....0

Schedule of Services

Sunday

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

Wednesday

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



**OHIO VALLEY
UNIVERSITY**

High school students and their families are invited to **CAMPUS ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** experience at Ohio Valley University February 13–14.

The weekend will include a free **EXPRESSIONS!** show featuring OVU social club acts and individual talent competition. Prospective students will meet professors, explore their major, attend a college class, and cheer the Fighting Scots to victory during our home men's and women's basketball and lacrosse games.

Dormitory lodging is available Friday night free of charge for high school juniors and seniors (online registration required at ovu.edu/encounter). Also, all on-campus events and meals are free for all family members.

Flyer on the bulletin boards in front and rear foyers.

40th Annual Men's Inspiration Day

March 7, 2015

Norval Park congregation in Zanesville, OH

"SUFFERING FOR THE LORD"

Speaker: Dick Harris

We will be providing transportation. Sign-up sheet on the counter if you would like a ride. We will leave at 7:00AM.

OVU College Student Pick-Up

2/1—Scott Johnson, Steve Moser
2/4—Dan Rich
2/8—Mike Bayer, Breck Hesselrode
2/11—Barry Mills

Daily Bible Reading

February 1—Mt 21:1-27, Ex 17-19
February 2—Mt 21:28-46, Ex 20-21
February 3—Mt 22:1-22, Ex 22-23
February 4—Mt 22:23-46, Ex 24-25
February 5—Mt 23:1-22, Ex 26-27
February 6—Mt 23:23-39, Ex 28-29
February 7—Mt 24:1-28, Ex 30-31
February 8—Mt 24:29-51, Ex 32-33

Watch **"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"** Sunday mornings at 7:30 on WTAP, WCWP local Sunday at 7:30AM, Dish Ch. 239 Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT TV ch.307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable Ch. 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday 5:00PM.

UPCOMING TOPIC

February 8
WHAT LOVE MEANS