

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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FATHERS ARE WONDERFUL PEOPLE



Happy Father's Day!

Fathers are wonderful people
too little understood,
And we do not sing their praises
as often as we should . . .
For, somehow, Father seems to be
the man who pays the bills,
While Mother binds up little hurts
and nurses all our ills . . .
And Father struggles daily
to live up to "his image"
As protector and provider
and "hero of the scrimmage" . . .
And perhaps that is the reason
we sometimes get the notion
That Fathers are not subject
to the thing we call emotion,
But if you look inside Dad's heart,
Where no one else can see,
You'll find he's sentimental
and as "soft" as he can be . . .
But he's so busy every day
in the grueling race of life,
He leaves the sentimental stuff
to his partner and his wife . . .
But Fathers are just wonderful
in a million different ways,
And they merit loving compliments
and accolades of praise,
For the only reason Dad aspires
to fortune and success
Is to make the family proud of him
and to bring them happiness . . .
And like Our Heavenly Father,
he's a guardian and a guide,
Someone that we can count on
to be always on our side.

(This poem was given to the office by Gilbert Hardman.
Thank you for sharing, Mr. Hardman.)

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 Jim Galloway
 Gary Herridge
 Paul Inman
 Stan Inman
 John Life
 Bill Mills
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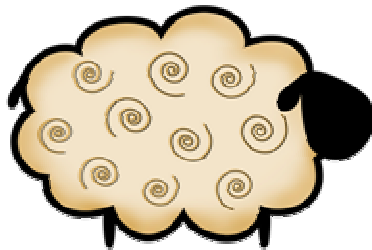


Thank You Notes We Received . . .

- ♥ Thank you for all of the birthday cards. I appreciate each one of them. **Ed Collins**
- ♥ Thank you to everyone who attended our wedding shower and for the wonderful gifts. We would especially like to thank Alisha Hershman, Susan Anderson, and Patty Dawson for putting together a beautiful shower. We are so blessed to have such an amazing church family. **Josh and Brittany**

Damon Miller called to give us an update on his wife, Lisa. She is now cancer free. She will have a medical procedure July 8.

They thank us for our prayers and ask that we continue to pray for her upcoming surgery.



The Lord is my Shepherd . . .

Psalm 23

Remember our church family in your prayers.

Mary Ann Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Ed Collins, Chelsea Doonan, Melva Farris, Bob and Lillie Fox, Zandra Holleron, Calvin Martin, Jane Pralley, Neil Russell, Jim VanCamp

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Anna Barnes, Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Debbie Boso (friend of Robin Anthony), Gabbi Cook, Bob, Janet and Todd Crugger (Glenn Snider's friends), Linda Crum (Herridge's friend), David Dillion (Sharon Smith's nephew), Arlene Galloway, Billy Ginter (Sarah Inman's brother), Nola Hardbarger (Ruth Fox's sister), Tammy Hatfield, David Heck (Candice Rich's father), Kenny Henderson (Sharon Smith's cousin), Donna Ludwig, Lisa Miller (Damon Miller's wife), Betty Morris, Linda Perry (Mike Wade's co-worker), Jackie Roberts (Shannan Hinzman's mother), David Smith (friend of Bob Miller), Patty Smith (Mike Lucas' sister), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Mary Spence (Ruth Fox's aunt), Elaine Vincent (Margaret Dawkins' sister-in-law), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

Please call the office and update or add names to the Prayer List.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MEN'S MEETING—BIBLE BUSTERS

The Men's meeting will be today at 5:00 with Bible Busters at 5:30.

GOLDEN AGERS TRIP TO THE WILDS

The Golden Agers will be going to The Wilds in Cumberland, Ohio Tuesday, June 25. It will include a covered-vehicle safari ride to see 31 animal species and a early dinner at Theo's in Cambridge, OH. A \$25.00 fee will cover admission and fuel fee. Dinner will be an additional \$13.50, includes dinner, beverages and dessert. The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

DEACON'S MEETING

The Deacon's meeting will be next Sunday at 5:00.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, June 29 at 8:30 at the Haid's cabin. The sign-up sheet is on the counter with maps.

BABY SHOWER

There will be a baby shower for Jon and Brandi Hescht's baby girl Thursday, June 27 at 6:30PM in the MP Room.



July 27—Church picnic at DuPont Park

September 8—Friends and Family Day

September 21—Bible Bowl



Daily Bible Reading

June 16—John 18:25-40, 1 Ch 11-12

June 17—John 19:1-16, 1 Ch 13-15

June 18—John 19:17-42, 1 Ch 16-17

June 19—John 20:1-18, 1 Ch 18-19

June 20—John 20:19-31, 1 Ch 20-21

June 21—John 21, 1 Ch 22-23

June 22—Acts 1, 1 Ch 24-25

June 23—Acts 2:1-21, 1 Ch 26-27



Josh Gray and Brittany Fleak will be getting married June 22nd at 3:30 at Belpre Church of Christ. All are welcome to attend the ceremony, however, due to limited seating the reception is invitation only.

DANA'S DIRECTION

“God’s Example of Fatherhood”



One very noticeable difference between “Mother’s Day” Sunday and “Father’s Day” Sunday—no flowers! There may be a new necktie or two in the assembly (the ones with cartoon characters tend to be gifts from the kids or the grandkids). But, just the same, Father’s Day is always a special opportunity to express our appreciation to Dads.

Being a father, and now a grandfather, has probably brought more joy into my life than anything else. There is something special about the relationship that a father has with his children. So much in fact that God has chosen to define our relationship with Him in this way. “Our Father who is in heaven.”

There are some examples of men who succeeded as fathers in the scriptures. There are also several examples of men who were good men, even godly men (Eli, Samuel, David to name a few) who failed as fathers. But of all the lessons in the Bible about fathers, none is greater than the example which has been given to us by God. Jesus said “be perfect even as your Father in heaven is perfect.” What kind of Father is God?

1. **God is impartial and fair.** He showers His blessings on friend and enemy alike. (Matthew 5:45) His invitation is for all, “Come unto me all you who labor...Whosoever will may come.” I am so glad that God does not respect one person above another—that we don’t have to be of a certain race, nationality or social standing to be accepted by Him. No father who truly loves his children will show preference of one above another.

2. **God’s love is unconditional.** It certainly isn’t because of our own worthiness that God loved us. “God commended his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8) We must reassure our children that we will always love them—a love that is based upon who they are, not what they can do—even if they can’t hit a baseball or get straight A’s in school. Even when they do wrong they must understand that all discipline is the result and the proof of our love.

3. **God is approachable.** “The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous and His ears are open to their prayers.” (1 Peter 3:12) We must keep the doors of availability open to our children. They need to know that they can come to us with their greatest fears, doubts, and ambitions and they will receive loving guidance. When we approach God, He gives wisdom “generously and without reproach.” (James 1:5) May we never hear the plaintiff cry of a child in trouble asking “where were you when I needed you?”

4. **God’s example is always consistent with His teaching.** “Do as I say and not as I do,” is bound to fail. The greatest gift that you can give to your child is to be the Christian you are teaching them to be.



Humble Yourself in the Sight of the Lord (Philippians 2:1-11)

God's attitude toward Pride: "God _____ the proud, but gives _____ to the _____. Therefore _____ yourselves under the mighty hand of _____, that He may _____ you in due time." (1 Peter 5:5-6) "He who has a _____ look and a _____ heart, him I will not _____." (Psalm 101:5)

Humility is to have the mind of Christ. "Let this _____ be in you which was also in Christ _____, who, being in the _____ of God, did not consider it robbery to be _____ with God, but made Himself of no _____, taking the form of a _____, and coming in the likeness of men, and being found in _____ as a man, He _____ Himself and became _____ to the point of _____, even the death of the _____." (Philippians 2: 5-8)

Jesus showed humility when He _____ Himself. "But we see Jesus, who was made a little _____ than the _____, for the suffering of _____, crowned with _____ and _____, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone." (Hebrews 2:9) **It takes humility to be a _____.** "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him _____ himself, take up his _____ and follow Me." (Matthew 16:24)

Jesus showed humility by becoming a _____. "But He made himself of no _____, taking the form of a _____." (Phil. 2:7) The greatest in the kingdom is the one who _____ the most. **We are all servants.** "Let each of you look out not _____ for his own _____, but also for the interests of _____." (Phil. 2:4)

Jesus showed humility by being _____. "He _____ Himself and became obedient to the point of _____." (Phil. 2:8) "Looking unto Jesus, the _____ and finisher of our _____, who for the _____ that was set before Him endured the _____, despising the _____, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12:2) **Obedying the gospel takes _____.** **Living as a Christian takes _____.**

God's reward to the _____. **God rewarded _____ for His humility.** "Therefore God also has highly _____ Him and given Him the _____ which is above every name, that at the name of _____ every knee should _____, of those in heaven, and of those on _____, and of those under the earth, and that every _____ should _____ that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Philippians 2:9-11)

God promises to bless the humble. "Before _____ is humility." (Prov. 15:33) "Let another man _____ you, and not your _____ mouth; a stranger and not your own _____." (Prov. 27:2) "By _____ and the _____ of the Lord are _____ and _____ and _____." (Prov. 22:4)

Being Modest

By Calais Nygard

Being modest is not just about how you dress; it is also about your attitude, and that should be modest too.

Jesus taught people to be careful about saying one thing and doing another. Sometimes girls can say good things and act Christ-like while at the same time wearing shorts that are only six inches long and a shirt you can see through or that shows half of their back.

Now don't think this is all for girls. Boys need to be modest too. I see boys who say we should act like Jesus and do good things, while they wear pants so low that I want to yell, "*Pull your pants up dorks!*", but I don't suggest really calling them that. Some boys wear those sport shirts that have the sides cut out. Do you really think that is a modest way to dress?

What do you do if all of the top brands you like only sell skirts that go to your fingertips or are so tight that they really don't hide anything? Does saying that we are modest really make us modest, or do we *really* have to show it? There is nothing wrong with wearing top brands, but girls, you might need to put on an undershirt and wear jeans instead of shorts that are just too short; even if that is all that is on the rack. Boys, pull up your pants, wear a belt if you have too...and wear a whole shirt!

I know, it's hot outside and your friends are pulling off the clothes. What are we to do? Maybe pour some water on your head or get a fan, or maybe just be determined to act like Christ *even if* we are a little uncomfortable.

Remember, modesty is not just about how we dress, it is also an attitude that reflects who we are inside. What is a modest attitude? It is boys and girls working to not draw attention to themselves. If someone really likes you and wants to be your best friend then they will like you for who you are, not what you wear or how well you can sling around bad words. Being modest is not causing someone to stumble because of how you dress or your attitude about it.

A true friend is a modest friend. What type of friend are you?

THINK
About It.

Do unto others as though YOU were the "OTHERS"!

We respond to God's love with love of our own!

Today is a gift from God. That's why it's call "The Present."



A Father is. . .

Someone who is just in a world of inequality...Someone who is tolerant in an unforgiving society...Someone who gives approval in a world of indifference...Someone who encourages when self-esteem is low...Someone who disciplines in a world of lawlessness...Someone who loves when many hate. A father is due honor and respect, for he is the foundation of the family.

A father is a window through which a child may peer into heaven and catch a glimpse of love Himself.

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LLL kick off Sunday, June 30.

More details will follow.



* OVCYC (Camp Hervida)

Junior Week (ages 8-11): June 16-21

Intermediate Week (ages 11-14): June 23-28

* WVCYC (Pennsboro)

Sports Week (ages 12-18): June 23-28

Senior Week (ages 14-18): June 30-July 6

Intermediate Week (ages 11-14): July 7-13

Junior Week (ages 7-11): July 14-19

All Age Week (ages 8-18): July 21-27

Singing Emph. Week (ages 12-18):

July 28-Aug.3

* Fort Hill in Hillsboro, OH

* Mountaineer Christian Youth Camp in Barbour county, WV

Camp registration forms on youth bulletin board by the church office.

Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

When a person works an eight-hour day and receives a fair day's pay for his time—that is a wage.

When a person competes with an opponent and receives a trophy for his performance—that is a prize.

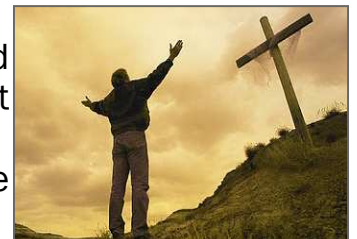
When a person receives appropriate recognition for his long service or high achievements—that is an award.

But when a person is not capable of earning a wage, can win no prize, and deserves no award—yet he receives such a gift anyway—that is GRACE! This is what is meant when we talk about the grace of God!

“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.” (Ephesians 2:8-10)

God loves us so much that He sent His only son to suffer and die on the cross that we might receive this grace. What a truly great gift that is!

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, June 23

ELDER IN CHARGE - Gary Herridge

DEACON IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders

SONG LEADERS

AM—Brian Haught

PM— Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Bob Smith

Close—Ira Kimes

6:00 PM—Paul Saunders

Close—Barry Mills

SCRIPTURE

AM—Walter Morgan

PM—Daniel Nygard

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Jim Galloway

PM—Jon Hescht

Ryan Gaston

PA SYSTEM— Todd Kirk

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

July 1—* Jeff & Julie Taberner

July 3—Michaela Miller

July 4—Phil Deem, Bob Fox, Janet Plant

July 5—Nancy Putnam

July 6—Ron Holleron

July 8—Danielle “Dani” Barclay

July 11—Ben Sheppard

July 12—*Shorty & Gloria Frazier

July 13—Don Dougherty

July 14—Don Midkiff

July 15—Richard Marshall, Jim VanCamp

July 16—Judy Hupp, *Jimmy and Brooke Galloway

July 17—Evan Fleak

July 18—Harold Stanley

July 20—Madeline Gregg, Chris Tallman, *Keith and
Eloise Smith

July 21—Brenda Dougherty, Kenzie Inman, Gary
McConnell, Justin Smith

July 23—Margaret Dawkins

July 24—Melissa Caplinger, Carla Wadlington, *Bill and
Jane Pralley

July 25—Melva Farris, *Rick and Kay Stanley

July 26—Leah Hoover

July 27—Debi Inman

July 28—Emma Hershman, Phyllis Johnson

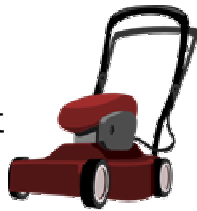
July 30—Kobe Wade

July 31—Linda Moncrief

* Anniversary

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Barclay crew.

They include Josh Barclay, Jon Hescht and Kyle Inman.



Facts and Figures

June 9, 2013

AM Service.....345

Bible Study.....247

PM Service.....230

Wednesday.....195

Contribution\$6763.06

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2013

Baptisms.....2

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....0

Placed Membership....8

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



Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary today to Jim and Charlotte Galloway!

Watch “IN SEARCH OF THE LORD’S WAY”

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP-TV, Dish Ch. 259, DIRECT ch. 364, and at 6:30AM on local cable ch. 4.

UPCOMING TOPIC

June 23
LIFE

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 5:30 for the sing at the Salem & Ten Mile congregation.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM