

# 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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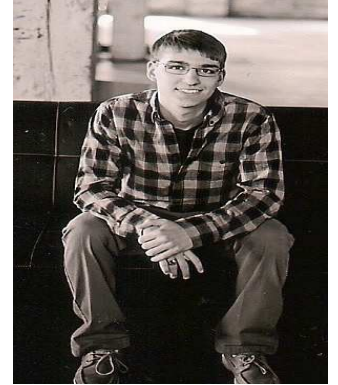
**Ruthanne Bush**  
Parkersburg High



**Katlyn Cochran**  
Parkersburg South



**Zachary K. Cowdery**  
Wood County Christian



**Evan Fleak**  
Parkersburg South

*Congratulations to our 2014  
High School graduates!*



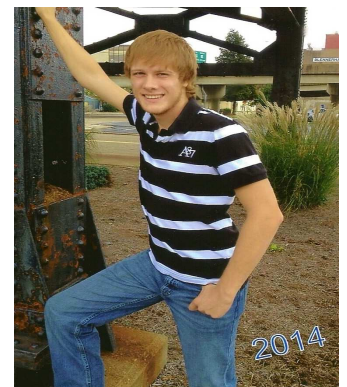
**Ryan Hesselrode**  
Parkersburg South



**Lexi Hoover**  
Parkersburg South



**Cailin Yoho**  
Parkersburg South



**Cody Young**  
Parkersburg South

**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  
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 William Hoover  
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 Todd Kirk  
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 Dwain Shears  
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**Willow Brook**

Juanity Zoe Byrum, Room 132  
 Willow Brook  
 55 Lazelle Road  
 Columbus, OH 43235

**Cleveland Clinic**

Chelsea Doonan (ICU)

**Ruby Memorial**

Russ Alton (Room 837)

Natalie Haught is recuperating from ankle surgery in Columbus on Wednesday.

**Please keep our church family in your prayers.**

Kathleen Albright, Russ Alton, Mary Ann Barclay, Zoe Byrum, Hazel Cozad, Patty Dawson, Bob and Lillie Fox, Geraldine Pahl, Jane Pralley, John Rockhold, Neil Russell

**Prayers requested for family and friends:**

Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Debbie Boso (friend of Robin Anthony), Debbie Caplinger and Janet Heron (Dearll and Carol Vincent's neighbors), Wirt Cook, lone Dusek (Carrie Nygard's mother), Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Doreen Kupfner, Josh Kupfner (Dearll and Carol Vincent's grandson), Sikarin Lambamrung, serving our country (friend of Drake Logston), Ruby Miller (Ted Miller's mother), Karen Newberry Shaw, Mary Sims (Billie Coe's aunt), Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Rick Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's son-in-law), 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.**

We extend our sympathy to Phyllis Johnson and family in the passing of her niece, Nancy Gaston Gendron. She resided in Texas. Her service will be held there this week.

**Thank You Notes**

- ♥ A belated thank you to one and all for the very fine birthday cards. Each one was appreciated. **Bill Pralley**
- ♥ Thank you for all your prayers and visits. It was uplifting. He is still mending. **The Harvey Caplinger Sr. Family**
- ♥ Thank you for the cards and gifts for little Henley. **Cody & Kristi Hoover**
- ♥ Words cannot express our appreciation for the support we received from all of you upon the death of our mother, Virginia McCutcheon. The flowers you sent were beautiful. We are also deeply grateful for all the prayers for our mother and our family. In Christian Love, **The family of Virginia McCutcheon**
- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful cards I received. **Kristi Hoover**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. They were each special. **Cindy Huxley**

## 1st-6th GRADE BIBLE BOWL CLASS

The 1st-6th grade Bible Bowl class will begin today at 4:15 in Room 253. Parents are asked attend this first meeting with your child.

## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES RECOGNITION THIS EVENING

Everyone is invited to the High School Graduates Recognition in the MP Room this evening after services. Please bring snack foods, desserts and beverages. \* All members are welcome to sign the Bibles on the table in the foyer by Door 6. They will be presented to the graduates.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PLANNING MEETING THIS EVENING

Dana would like to meet this evening after services in Room 109 with anyone willing to help in any way with our VBS including the skits, set-up, etc.

## LADIES LUNCH

All ladies are invited to meet at Fort Boreman Park (Underwood Shelter) Friday, June 6 at noon. Bring your lunch and join us.

## SEARCH TV PROGRAM CHANGE FOR JUNE 8

The SEARCH TV program will air at 6:30AM Sunday, June 8.

## FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

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

## GOLDEN AGERS TRIP

The Golden Agers will be going to the Zane Grey and Hop Along Cassidy Museum Thursday, June 26. Leaving at 8:00AM and returning around 5:30PM. We will eat dinner at Theo's and be stopping at a large antique mall in Zanesville, OH. (The fee will be \$12.00 each, includes museum admission and fuel fee.)

## SPAGHETTI DINNER/GAME NIGHT

Everyone is invited to a spaghetti dinner and game night Friday, June 27 at 6:00 in the MP Room. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count and food items.

## FORT GAY 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.

### Daily Bible Reading



June 1—Jn 9:13-41, II Ki 6-7  
June 2—Jn 10:1-21, II Ki 8-9  
June 3—Jn 10:22-42, II Ki 10-11  
June 4—Jn 11:1-27, II Ki 12-14  
June 5—Jn 11:28-57, II Ki 15-16  
June 6—Jn 12:1-26, II Ki 17  
June 7—Jn 12:27-50, II Ki 18-19  
June 8—Jn 13:1-20, II Ki 20-21

Our  
Super Saturday Vacation Bible  
School will be June 14.

Time: 9:30-2:30  
Theme: Jonah  
Lunch will be provided.







# DANA'S DIRECTION

## “Proverbs for Graduates”

“When you come to a fork in the road—take it,” is one of Yogi Berra’s famous words of wisdom! As this time of the year, there are thousands of young people who are truly at a major crossroads in their lives—graduation! Whenever I feel compelled to express words of wisdom for any situation in life, I always find the counsel needed in Solomon’s book of Proverbs. Young person, as you are confronted by the many important life-choices you must make and your new-found freedom to make these decisions for yourselves—you would be wise to heed the words of one whose wisdom came from God. Give serious thought to the following passages.

1. “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge...” (Proverbs 1:7) It is tempting to think at graduation that your education is complete. The truth is, even if you are graduating from college it is just beginning. Let God’s word serve as your pattern to compare everything else that you are taught. In this same vein Solomon writes “Cease to hear instruction that causes you to err from the words of knowledge.” (Proverbs 19:27) You will be challenged to reject what God has revealed as truth on every subject from creation to morality—always remember that God is right!

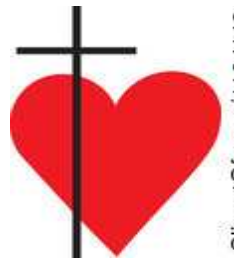
2. An even greater challenge in your college years may be the freedom you will be experiencing and the temptation to indulge in the excesses (sins) of your peers. Again, heed the following warnings: “If sinners entice you, do not consent.” (Proverbs 1:10) “Whoever commits adultery...lacks understanding; he who does so destroys his own soul.” (Proverbs 6:32) “Wine is a mocker...and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.” (Proverbs 20:1) The tragic truth is that the lives of many young people get off track before they even have a chance to begin. Habits and addictions, stilted careers, and even death results from the foolish and sinful decisions made by those who “just wanted to have some fun.” Whoever has no rule over his own spirit is like a city broken down without walls.” (Proverbs 25:28)

3. As you choose a career path for your life, don’t judge your future choices solely upon how much money you can make. “Do not envy sinners...for there is a hereafter.” (Proverbs 23:17) Work hard—don’t be lazy. “Consider the ant and be wise...” (Proverbs 6:6-11)

4. More important than what you accomplish in life is what you become. Be humble. Do not boast. Guard your reputation. “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding...Fear the Lord and depart from evil...Honor the Lord with your possessions.” (Proverbs 3:5-9) “A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches.” (Proverbs 22:1)

“So incline your heart to wisdom, apply your heart to understanding .... then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.” (Proverbs 2:2-6)

# What Church Did Jesus Build? (Matthew 16:13-20)



“I also say to you that you are \_\_\_\_\_, and on this \_\_\_\_\_ I will build My \_\_\_\_\_, and the gates of \_\_\_\_\_ shall not prevail against it. And I will give you the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven, and whatever you \_\_\_\_\_ on earth will be bound in \_\_\_\_\_ and whatever you \_\_\_\_\_ on earth shall be loosed in heaven” (Matthew 16:18-19).

**The church was founded on \_\_\_\_\_.** “Upon this rock I will build \_\_\_\_\_ church.” “To shepherd the \_\_\_\_\_ of God which He \_\_\_\_\_ with His own \_\_\_\_\_” (Acts 20:28). The church is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23). The church is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. (II Corinthians 11:2).

**The church that Jesus built is \_\_\_\_\_.** “Upon this rock I will build my \_\_\_\_\_.” “He put all things under His feet, and gave Him be \_\_\_\_\_ over all things to the \_\_\_\_\_, which is His \_\_\_\_\_.” (Ephesians 1:22-23) “There is one \_\_\_\_\_” (Ephesians 4:4). “That they all may be \_\_\_\_\_, as You Father are in Me, and I in You, that they also, should be \_\_\_\_\_ in Us” (John 17:21).

**Jesus is the only one who \_\_\_\_\_ people to His church.** Jesus told Peter “And I will give you the \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven.” “When they heard this they were \_\_\_\_\_ to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the \_\_\_\_\_, “Men and \_\_\_\_\_ what shall we do? Then Peter said to them \_\_\_\_\_, and let every one of you be \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of \_\_\_\_\_, for the \_\_\_\_\_ of your sins” (Acts 2:37-38). “Then those who gladly \_\_\_\_\_ the word were \_\_\_\_\_, and that day about \_\_\_\_\_ souls were added to them” (Acts 2:41). “And the \_\_\_\_\_ added to the \_\_\_\_\_ daily those who were being \_\_\_\_\_” (Acts 2:47).

**Jesus’ church is that one that faithfully follows His \_\_\_\_\_.** “Teaching them to \_\_\_\_\_ all things whatsoever I have \_\_\_\_\_ you” (Matthew 28:20). Jesus told Peter, “And whatever you \_\_\_\_\_ on earth will be bound in \_\_\_\_\_” (Matthew 16:19). “And those who were added continued \_\_\_\_\_ in the apostles’ \_\_\_\_\_” (Acts 2:42). “Whoever \_\_\_\_\_ and does not \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ does not have \_\_\_\_\_” (II John 9).

**Jesus’ church is \_\_\_\_\_.** “Upon this \_\_\_\_\_ I will build my \_\_\_\_\_ and the gates of \_\_\_\_\_ shall not prevail against it” (Matthew 16:18).

# Whose Side Are You On...

~Josh 24.15

*(This article is a follow on from last week. What choices have you made since then?)*

“I have made my decision; I have staked my claim. I have drawn a line in the sand and I’ll not be ashamed. With the world behind me and the cross before; by the grace of God I will serve the Lord”. Those words are the chorus of a religious song I know. The words are reminiscent of what Joshua said in Josh.24.15- “...as for me and my house we will serve the Lord”.

The message is clear; when it comes to the lives of each of us Jesus is either Lord of **all** or He is not Lord at all. It is an all or nothing proposition. Jesus will not settle for second place; nor should He. What clear thinking husband or wife wants to share their spouse with another person in the most intimate of relationships? That’s how Christ feels when those who have pledged themselves to Him “fool around” with sin & worldliness in direct violation of their vows.

The Bible still teaches that Christians are to *have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness but rather expose them* (Eph.5.11). Sin disguised under the banners of “freedom” or “pride” or “rights” or “love” or “culture” or “equality” is still sin; it still enslaves and ought to bring shame to those who support or practice it.

After a long list of sins, although not an exhaustive list, the apostle Paul in Rom.1.32 wrote, *who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same **but also approve of those who practice them***. The word *approve* expresses the idea of consent or agreement. Christians must not support or endorse **any** person or group of people whose agenda is a violation of the Lord they serve. To do so is disloyalty, hypocrisy and spiritual adultery!

*Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. (James 4.4)*

Those who do not stand against sin will face the same wrath as those who actually practice the sin. Why? Because their actions say that they *approve* of it.

The vast majority of this world has entered the wide gate and is traveling the broad way (Matt.7.13-14). Any Christian who leaves the *narrow way* and begins traveling the *broad way* will reach the same end as all others traveling that way; and that end is *destruction*; the loss of one’s soul. Is it really worth it? The answer is obvious. (Matt 16.26) Christian, whose side are you on?

*...as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. (Josh 24.15)*



### Today

1st-6th grade Bible Bowl class will begin today at 4:15.

High school graduates recognition ceremony in MP Room after evening service

### June 29

Traveling youth group at the Sunrise congregation.  
Transportation will leave here at 5:30PM.

### **Young Men Preacher Training Workshops**

(Ages 13–18)

**June 20-22** WVSOP

**July 6– 11** Alkire Road

Details on youth bulletin board



## **Church Camp**

### **Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp**

(Camp Hervida)

They have requested assistance with supplies for the camp to help keep the campers fee to a minimum.

**Items need to left by the coat rack in the parking lot foyer today.**

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

June 15-20 (Senior Week)

June 22-27 (Junior Week)

June 29-July 4 (Intermediate Week)

## **Minute of Meditation**

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Two people who were good friends, started to argue because one used a bad choice of words and the other took offense. They became very verbal and aggressive toward each other. Both went their own way still mad at each other. One of the individuals vowed never to have anything else to do with the other. These two had been best friends for over 30 years. Can a 30 year friendship be destroyed in 30 seconds?



In our song book at church we have a song titled, “Angry Words” and it deals with this very same situation. It reminds us that we are to keep our tongues bridled so that evil words do not slip from our lips. Our control over the tongue comes from the heart. As Christians, we need to keep in mind how much damage can be done by anger and angry words. It can destroy friendships, marriages, families, and even our relationship with God.

God has commanded us to love one another and to forgive those who trespass against us. Our souls are too important to lose because of a slip of the tongue!

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 8**

**ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Inman**  
**DEACON IN CHARGE - David Wadlington**

**SONG LEADER**

AM—Evan Fleak  
 PM—Rick Stanley

**PRAYER**

9:30 AM—Bill Mills  
 Close—Mike Fleak  
 6:00 PM—Keith Smith  
 Close—Brian Haught

**SCRIPTURE**

AM—Don Dougherty  
 PM—Cody Hoover

**COMMUNION TABLE**

AM—Kyle Inman  
 PM—Dennis Keller  
 Ben Haught

**PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway**



Ladies of all ages are invited to  
**Ladies' Inspiration Day**  
 "ALIVE in CHRIST"  
 New Concord church of Christ  
 Saturday, June 7, 2014 9:00-1:00  
 Speaker: Sameea Collins  
 "Christian in a Muslim World: One Woman's True Story"

Flyer on the bulletin boards in the foyers

**Sojourners Workshop at OVU**

June 9-12 and resume June 16-19

"Fundamentals of Faith"

Different speakers

Fellowship at 8:30AM. Speakers start at 9:15-11:30AM.

Singing both Monday evenings 7:00-8:00

Everyone invited.

The Faculty and Graduation Class  
 of the

**West Virginia School of Preaching**

Take pleasure in announcing the  
 Commencement

of the Class of Two thousand and fourteen

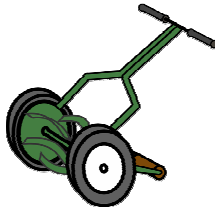
Friday, June 13

At 6:00 in the evening



The Lawn Crew for this week is the Kirk crew.

They include  
 Delmas Carr, Bill Hoover, Todd Kirk and Cody Young.



**Facts and Figures**

May 25, 2014

AM Service.....308

Bible Study.....251

PM Service.....246

Wednesday.....219

Contribution.....\$7129.70

**MEMBERSHIP FOR 2014**

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership.....2

During the ceremony Brother Denver Haught and his wife, Dortha will be honored for their many years of faithful service.  
 (This is Debbie Tallman's parents.)

A catered dinner will be provided at that time.  
 Come and enjoy the fellowship and celebration.

They have provided a sign-up sheet that is on the counter.

Vienna Christian Nursery School is accepting resumes for the position of teacher. Interested applicants can email Nellie Cox at nellieyvonne74gmail.com for details. Interviews will be held soon.

**Schedule of Services**

**Sunday**

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

**Wednesday**

Bible Study.....7:00PM

Watch  
**"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"**

Sunday mornings at 7:30 on WTAP-TV, Dish Ch. 259, DIRECT ch. 367, 6:30AM on local cable Ch. 4, Sunday at 7:00PM & Monday 2:00PM on GBN, and WGN America Sundays at 7:30AM (Dish) Ch. 239 and (Direct) Ch. 307.

**UPCOMING TOPIC**

June 8

BE YE HOLY



**Friday Night Sing**



Transportation will leave Friday at 6:00 for the sing at the Sandyville congregation.