

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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Join us tomorrow evening in the MP Room
for Monday Night For The Master.

5:45 hotdog dinner, 6:20 short devotional
followed by work assignments

Please sign up if you plan to attend.
Sheets are on the counter for food items and
attendance count.

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
 Jeff Taberner
 David Wadlington

Minister:

Dana Slingluff
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Paul Nygard
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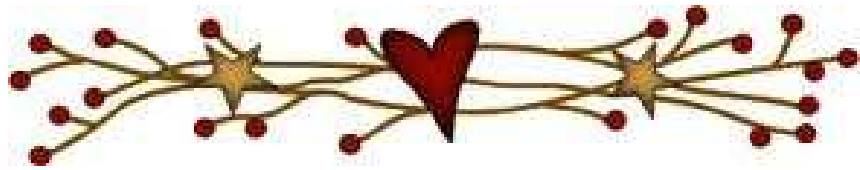
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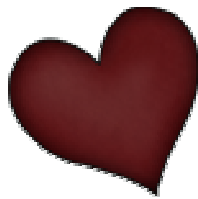
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- ♥ We truly appreciate your help with our move. It was a tremendous effort by everyone...the men that helped, the ladies that provided food. Thank you so much. **The Mullins Family**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.
Mark Dean
- ♥ Thank you so much for all the birthday cards I received. I enjoyed each and every one of them so much. Thanks for your kindness.
Paul Saunders (aka Sanders)

*Check out the bulletin boards in the foyers and
 Room 109. Jo Goldsmith and Annette Kirk did a
 great job once again.*

*Thanks Jo and Annette for your hard work and
 creativity!*



Prayer Requests

We are a praying church family.

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, Teresa Steed, Jim VanCamp

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Gary Caplinger (Woody Wagoner's father), Max Cowdery (Keith's brother), Ione Dusek (Carrie Nygard's mother), Kim England (Ann Knott's brother-in-law), Michelle Goldsmith, Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Tammy Hatfield, 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.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

We will be conducting the services at Love and Care today at 2:30 and Thursday evening at 7:00. Care Group 2 will be in charge and invites everyone to attend. (Harmar Hill asked us to conduct these services and they will handle the services we were scheduled for next month.)

MEN'S MEETING/BIBLE BUSTERS

Men's meeting today at 5:00. Children will meet for Bible Busters at 5:30.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening at 5:45 for dinner and 6:20 short devotional and work assignments including visitation, card ministry, work around the building. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count and food items. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

TUESDAY LADIES CLASS

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

LADIES LUNCH

All ladies are invited to meet at Colombo's Restaurant Thursday, March 20 at 12:00. Please sign the sheet on the counter for an attendance count.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, March 29 at 8:30 in the MP Room. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

DEACON'S MEETING

The deacon's meeting scheduled for March 23 will be moved to March 30 at 5:00.

FORT GAY MISSION TRIP PLANNING MEETING

There will be a meeting next Sunday evening after services in Room 109 for those who have sign-up or are interested in the Fort Gay mission work July 16-23. Anyone willing to help distribute literature, help with their VBS (teachers, helpers) please attend.

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES

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.

OVU STEPPING STONES BOWL-A-THON

The Bowl-A-Thon will be March 22 from 1:00-4:00PM at Emerson Lanes. \$3.25 per game, includes shoes. See Teresa Wade for details.



Daily Bible Reading

March 16—Mark 14:1-21, Nu 32-33
March 17—Mark 14:22-52, Nu 34-35
March 18—Mark 14:53-72, Nu 36
March 19—Mark 15:1-20, De 1-2
March 20—Mark 15:21-47, De 3-4
March 21—Mark 16, De 5-6
March 22—Luke 1:1-25, De 7-9
March 23—Luke 1:26-56, De 10-11



Ladies Garden Tea

Saturday, April 26 at
Noon in the MP Room

More details to follow.

Great Churches Endure

The church in Thessalonica was a great church. Paul refers to it as “a model to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia” (I Thessalonians 1:7). Unlike the Corinthian church that was striving to be great according to the world’s standard (I Corinthians 1-4), the Thessalonian church was striving to be great according to God’s standard.

One godly characteristic of the Thessalonian church was “endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ” (I Thessalonians 1:3). Great churches are made up of people who endure—people who are not quitters. The church in Thessalonica faced severe suffering as they worked and labored for the Lord (I Thessalonians 1:6; Acts 17:1-9; 2 Thessalonians 1:4), but they never quit. They endured. They persevered. They continue to work for the Lord in spite of personal suffering. Great churches are not where everything is perfect but where sincere Christians are patiently enduring imperfection.

Such endurance is achieved through hope. But it is not just any hope. The hope that empowers Christians to keep serving the Lord when the going gets tough is not based on anything that the world has to offer (personal recognition, fame, fortune, etc.). Instead, it is based on what God offers through Christ. Abel, Enoch, Noah, and Abraham were endurers who had such a hope. They admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. They longed for a better country—a heavenly one, a city prepared for them by God (Hebrews 11:13-16). So they endured.

Because of this hope, Paul wasn’t a quitter either. Listen to what he says: “Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal” (2 Corinthians 4:16-18).

Great churches are made up of people who are inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ to faithfully use their abilities in service to God in the face of discouraging circumstances. Let’s be a great church!

Saving a Jailor (Acts 16:25-34)



The Jailor's Question.

He asked the _____ question. "What must I do to be _____?" (30)

Three Conditions of the Soul:

We can be _____. (innocent, child)

We can be _____. (Because of sin)

"For all have _____ and fall _____ of the _____ of God." (Rom. 3:23)

"For the _____ of _____ is _____." (Rom. 6:23)

We can be _____. Only _____ can determine _____ and how.

He asked the _____ people. We must go to the right _____.

"Oh Lord, I _____ the _____ of man is not in _____; it is not in man who walks to _____ his own steps" (Jeremiah 10:23) **Only God's _____ can provide the answer.** "I am not _____ of the _____ of Christ, for it is the power of God unto _____" (Romans 1:16)

He took the question _____.

Paul's Answer.

So they said, "_____ on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be _____, you and all your household" (Acts 16:31).

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

1. Faith is essential to our salvation. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten _____, that whosoever _____ in Him should not _____ but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). "For if you do not _____ that I am _____, you will die in your _____" (John 8:24).

2. The Jailor did not know enough about _____ to _____. "Who is He that I may _____ in Him? (John 9:36). "How can they _____ in Him of whom they have not _____?" (Romans 10:14)

Those who end this account in verse 30, _____ the jail too _____. "And they _____ the _____ of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house" (Acts 16:32).

3. The Jailor responded to what he now believed about Jesus. "He took them the _____ hour of the night and _____ their stripes. And _____, he and all his family were _____" (Acts 16:33).

4. What the Jailor did (_____, _____, and being _____), defines what is meant by _____ on the name of the Lord. "Now when he had brought them to his house, he set food before them and he _____ having _____ in God with all his household" (Acts 16:34)



It's hard to believe that it is almost time for our Lads to Leaders convention again. We will be leaving for Louisville KY on April 17th. Once again this year our children have been working hard to get ready for many different events they will participate in. It is so rewarding each year to see the growth our children make. We think of the youth as the future of the Church, but they are turning into the present through their service and example to each one of us. As always this would not happen without the support from the entire congregation. I cannot say THANK YOU enough for the support of the Lads to Leaders program. For the next several weeks I would like to recognize the different accomplishments of each one of the students.

Thank You
Todd Kirk

Lacey Carter

Hostess Volunteer
Art Says it – Photography

Sophia Moser

Know the Books – Bronze

Carly Taberner

Art Says it – Photography
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Oral Bible Reading
Year Round Bible Reading – Silver
Know the Books - Gold
Good Samaritan - Silver
Mass Media – PowerPoint
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise
Year Round Songs of Praise – Gold
Speech
Group Banner
Keepers – Sewing, Ironing, Laundry

Drew Hershman

Art Says it – Photography
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Year Round Bible Reading – Silver
Good Samaritan - Gold
Mass Media – Video Presentation
Group Scrapbook
Song Leading – Winner Circle
Year Round Song Leading – Silver
Group Banner
Malorie Fleak
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Debate
Good Samaritan – Platinum
Songs of Praise
Keepers – Sewing, Ironing, Laundry



Valet Parking Service

March 16 and 19

Chris Tallman, Donovan Walton

March 23 and 26

Kevin Cochran, Jeff Taberner

Wednesday 11:00 Bible study

Chris Tallman, Herb Wright

The 11:00 Bible class will continue meeting through March.



OVU Student Pick-Up

Sunday, March 16

Barry Mills, Doug Hershman

Wednesday, March 19

Doug Hershman

March 23

Kyle Inman, Ted Miller



If you would be willing to help with the church lawn care, please let Dwain Shears know. He is organizing lawn crews. Each crew will mow once a month. So, you will only be asked to mow monthly and you will receive the schedule for the season.

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP



There are certain stages in life when it is too late! You can't order off the child's menu at the Denny's restaurant after age twelve. You can't get the student discount at the movies after you've graduated. And you can't get hired as an astronaut when you're sixty years old. (Unless of course you are a US Senator who has already been an astronaut!)

But there is no "too late" stage with God. You are never too old to start a personal relationship with Him! And once you have connected with God, it is never too late to have your life changed by Him.

Now that we think about it, there does come a time when it is too late to respond to God. That would be when your life ends. Death is the ultimate "too late" stage. So, unless you know exactly when that's going to be, you had better plan on making changes in your life while you can!

As Paul said, "being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. (Philippians 1:6)

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 23

ELDER IN CHARGE - Jim Galloway

DEACON IN CHARGE - Leonard Haid

SONG LEADERS

AM—Jon Hescht

PM—Dana Slingluff

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Barry Mills

Close—Doug Hinzman

6:00 PM—Bill Merrill

Close—Bill Mills

SCRIPTURE

AM—Jim Merrill

PM—Steve Moser

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Leon Hupp

PM—Jeff Taberner

Breck Hesselrode

PA SYSTEM—Todd Kirk

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1—Mike Wade
2—Ray Sams
4—Bonnie Sams

PM

1. Jay & Nina Cheuvront
2. Cody & Kristi Hoover
3. Bill & Sherry Hoover
4. David & Carla Wadlington
5. Bob Smith & Ed Collins
6. Len & Susan Haid

Facts and Figures

March 9, 2014

AM Service.....293

Bible Study.....194

PM Service.....241

Wednesday.....179

Contribution.....\$6659.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2014

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership.....2

Schedule of Services

Sunday

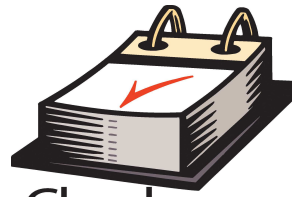
AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

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



Check Your Calendar

Area Spring Gospel Meetings

March 16-21

Spencer Church of Christ

Speaker: Rick Tincher

March 23-26

Sandyville congregation

Speaker: Andy Robison

A Series of Studies on Islam

April 13-16

Central Church of Christ—Clarksburg

Speaker: Robert “Bob” Vincent

Flyers on the bulletin boards in the foyers.

26th Annual Golden Agers Day

April 12

New Concord OH Church of Christ

“Gifts from God”

Speakers: Harry & Arlene Summers

SENIOR SAINTS DAY

April 29

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

“SENIORS KEEP ON TICKING”

Details on the bulletin board in the foyers.

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 23
ONE OF A KIND

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave here
Friday at 5:30 for the sing at
the Chapel Hill congregation
in Gallipolis, OH.