Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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Everyone is invited to the LLL showcase in the MP Room today at 4:30. Come show your support and view the projects.

Items are needed for the LLL picnic.
The sign-up sheets are in the foyer on the counter.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help with the cost of sending students to the convention, please see Bill Mills or Todd Kirk.

Lads to Leaders students, families, and coordinators will leave this Thursday and return next Sunday afternoon.

Elders:

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

Deacons:

Josh Barclay Delmas Carr Marion Goldsmith Leonard Haid **Brian Haught** Doug Hershman Rob Hoover William Hoover Kyle Inman Scott Johnson Todd Kirk **Everett Sams** Ray Sams Paul Saunders **Dwain Shears** Keith Smith Scott Smith Jeff Taberner **David Wadlington**

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Jamie Atkinson, Kenadie Barclay, Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce, Chlorie Burns, Karen Caplinger, Gary Chandler, Madison Cottrell, Rhonda Couch, Margaret Cowdery, Shellie Damsa, Christopher Daniels, Lidia DiConcilis, Owen Dulaney, Barbara Elliott, Sharon Fluharty, Tim Fought, Charlotte Frame, Rick Haddox, Nancy Hardman, Anna Hicks, Kyle Hockenberry, Adam Hoschar, Helen James, Brenda Jones, Lorean Jones, Phillip Johnson, Paul King, Julia Knight, Kenny Kreaps, Bob Laishey, Reba Layton, Cybill Lockney, Rick Lucas, Paul Mace, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Betty Morris, Cathy Morrison, Jamie Moyers, Carrie Nichols, Ann Owens, Robert Peters, Jack Plumley, Sharon Pugh, Dale Putnam, Scott Riser, Louise Rudolph, Darrell Sams, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Anne Spokes, Larry Stewart, Valerie Stevens, Alexander Trippett, Bob Vincent (Margaret Dawkins' brother), Lisa Wagner, Carol Weekley, Angel White

Please notify the office of any updates in our PRAYER LIST.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Mike and Pam Bayer have made it to Silver and are on their way to Gold!

Happy 25th Anniversary on April 4th!

CAMDEN AVENUE 500

We are planning Sunday May 27 as Camden Avenue 500 (Friends Day). More details will be coming soon.



OUR GOSPEL MEETING UPDATE

Our Gospel Meeting with Clarence DeLoach will be May 6-9. Please note this date change.



Daily Bible Reading

April 1 - Luke 5:17-39, De 32

April 2 - Luke 6:1-26, De 33-34

April 3 - Luke 6:27-49, Jos 1-4

April 4 - Luke 7:1-7, Jos 5-7

April 5 - Luke 7:18-50, Jos 8-9 **April 6 -** Luke 8:1-18, Jos 10-12

April 7 - Luke 8:19-39.Jos 13-14

April 8 - Luke 8:40-56, Jos 15-16



LLL SHOWCASE TODAY

Everyone is invited to attend the LLL showcase today at 4:30 in the MP Room.

SPRING BANQUET REGISTRATION DEADLINE TODAY

Completed registration forms and the fee must be given to Paul Saunders TODAY. Registration forms are available in both foyers.

GOLDEN AGERS TO OVU LECTURES TOMORROW

The Golden Agers are invited to the OVU lectures tomorrow from 9:00AM-Noon. Transportation will leave the building at 8:30. We will be eating lunch at the Golden Corral. Everyone is invited.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER TO MEET TOMORROW EVENING

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening at 5:45 in the MP Room for dinner and 6:20 for a brief devo. and work projects. Lists are in the foyer for food items and attendance.

LADIES LUNCHEON TUESDAY, APRIL 10

All ladies are invited to meet for lunch at Western Sizzlin on Tuesday, April 10 at noon.

MID-OHIO VALLEY GIRLS YOUTH RALLY APRIL 14

The Girls youth rally will be held Saturday, April 14 from 9:30-5:30 at OVU for the 6thgrade-college age. Please sign the list in the foyer if you plan to attend.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH APRIL 15

Due to the change in our Gospel Meeting date, the monthly Fellowship Lunch will now be April 15. Care Group 1 invites everyone to bring covered dish items, desserts, and beverages and join in the fellowship.

GOLDEN AGERS TRIP TO OUTLETS APRIL 19
The Golden Agers will be going to the Jeffersonville, OH outlets Thursday, April 19. Leaving the building at 7:00AM. The sign-up list is in the foyer.

NORTH END YOUTH RALLY APRIL 21

The North End Youth Rally for 6th-college age will be Saturday, April 21 from 8:30-4:30. Sign the list in the foyer if you plan to attend. Pre-registration is due by April 6.

LADIES TEA AND LUNCH MAY 5

Mark your calendar for the Ladies Tea and Lunch Saturday, May 5 at 12:00 in the MP Room. Fellowship, fun and food. We will be collecting travel size shampoos, soaps, toothpaste, etc. for Vanessa Herridge's Honduras Mission trip. More details will follow.

MISSING LEAF BLOWER

Our church leaf blower is missing from the garage. If you borrowed it, please return it or let Dwain Shears or Jim Galloway know.

DANA'S DISCUSSION

Precious Last Words



Many of us have, or will, keep vigil at the bed of a loved one who is in the throes of death. During that time, we hope for moments of communication. How we cherish the last words of a loved one or a friend! They often share what is in the heart of the dying, and even teach us a valuable lesson on faith.

At 9 o'clock Friday morning, Jesus was nailed to a cross outside the city walls of Jerusalem. Crucified between two robbers, Jesus suffered indescribable agony, but even in death, the thoughts of His heart was on others. Seven times it is recorded that Jesus spoke. The first three were spoken in the light, the last four in a mysterious darkness. His first three comments related to others. His next three related to His own suffering. His final words, were words of victory as He yielded His spirit, a voluntary act. Consider:

Spoken in the Light

An intercession: "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." (Luke 23:34) A promise to a penitent: "Today you shall be with Me in Paradise." (Luke 23:39-43) Loving concern: He gave His mother – a son: "Woman, behold your son!" He gave to a disciple the care of his mother: "Behold, your mother!" "From that hour the disciple took her into his own home." (John 19:25-27)

Spoken in the darkness

"And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two." (Luke 23:44-45) The last four statements of Jesus came in rapid succession, just before the end.

A cry of loneliness: "My God, my God, why have You forsaken me." (Matthew 27:45-46)

A cry of anguish: "I thirst" (John 19:28).

A cry of triumph: "It is finished" (John 19:30)

A prayer of resignation: "Father, into Your hands I commend My spirit" (Luke 23:46)

Have you ever taken the time to stand beneath the cross of Jesus? Not just to witness His suffering, but to listen to His heart? How can we know the story of the cross without being totally and permanently changed? "By His life, Jesus teaches us how to live; by His suffering, he teaches us how to suffer; by His prayers, He teaches us how to pray; by His death, He teaches us how to die – with a heart filled with love, trust and hope."

"Upon the cross of Jesus, Mine eye at times can see the very dying form of One who suffered there for me; and from my smitten heart, with tears two wonders I confess: The wonders of His glorious love, and my unworthiness."

SERMON NOTES

Words from the Cross: (John 19:17-30)



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"It is	" (John 10:30)	
"Father, into You	r hands I	My spirit." (Luke 23:46)



Just five more days until we leave for the Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes convention. I am very proud of all of the work our kids have done this year. I am also thankful for the support of each one of you! I hope you plan to attend the showcase at 4:30 this afternoon in the multipurpose room.

We have some more of our participants to recognize for the work they have done.

By: Todd Kirk

Emily Saunders

Hostess Volunteer
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Know the Books
About My Father's Business
Good Samaritan
Pearls
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise Winner Circle
Year Round Songs of Praise
Speech
Group Banner

Jordan Kirk

Bulletin Board – Teaching
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Oral Bible Reading
Know the Books
GIFTS I
Good Samaritan
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise Winners Circle
Speech Winner Circle
Group Banner

Emily Williamson

Art Says It – Drawing/Sketching
Bulletin Board Teaching
Year Round Bulletin Board
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
Year Round Bible Reading
Know the Books
GIFTS I
Good Samaritan
Group Scrapbook
Individual Scrapbook
Speech
Group Banner

Haylee Smith

Art Says It – Drawing/Sketching Art Says It – Photography Bible Bowl Test Bible Bowl Team Know the Books Good Samaritan Group Scrapbook Songs of Praise Speech Group Banner

Madison Taberner

Art Says It – Photography Art Says It – Poster Bible Bowl Test Bible Bowl Team GIFTS I Good Samaritan Group Scrapbook Songs of Praise Year Round Songs of Praise Group Banner

Kelsey Wadlington

Art Says It - Drawing/Sketching
Art Says It - Photography
Art Says It - Poster
Bible Bowl Test
Bible Bowl Team
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GIFTS I
Group Scrapbook
Songs of Praise
Year Round Songs of Praise
Speech
Group Banner

Emma Hershman

(Events missed from last article)
Year Round Songs of Praise
Speech Winner Circle
Group Banner



- Thank you for all the birthday cards I received. I appreciated each one.
 Paul Saunders
- ▼ Thank you for all the beautiful birthday cards. I loved them all. Lillie Fox
- ▼ I appreciate the birthday cards I received. They sure brightened my day. Paul Inman
- ♥ A special thank you for all my sympathy cards. They were so comforting. Much love, Valeria Sprout
- ▼ I would like to thank everyone for my beautiful birthday cards. It is nice to be remembered and reminded! In Christian Love, Barbara Cramlet
- ▼ Thank you for the anniversary cards. We enjoyed them all very much. Love, Stan and Debi Inman
- ▼ Thanks for all the birthday cards. They were wonderful! Donovan Walton
- ♥ Thanks for all the birthday cards, gifts, and help from all of you. Thanks to Don and Mary Nesselroad and Dearll and Carol Vincent. Neil Russell
- ▼ Thanks for the birthday cards. I appreciated each one of them. Sherry Hoover

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

John Wooden, the famous UCLA basketball coach, always kept a cross in his pocket. He said he kept it there to remind himself that there was something more important in life than anything else. He was right too! What can be more important than where we and our families will spend our eternal lives?

- . It's more important than politics,
- . It's more important than business,
- It's more important than romance,
- . It's more important than education,
- . It's more important than your career,
- It's more important than your health,
- It's more important than your safety,
- It's more important than your very life!

The apostle Paul said it so right when he wrote in I Corinthians 1:18, "For the message of the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."

Man has accomplished great things, but the greatest accomplishment he can make is reconciliation with God through His Son Jesus Christ. Let me ask you -- What is important to **YOU**?

This is Gary Herridge with a minute of mediation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where **YOU** are always welcome.



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE APRIL 8

ELDER IN CHARGE - Gary Herridge DEACON IN CHARGE - Scott Smith

SONG LEADERS

AM - Jim Galloway PM - Kyle Inman

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Bill Mills Close - Bill Camp

6:00 PM - Chris Tallman

Close - Len Haid

SCRIPTURE

AM - Jim Merrill PM - Dave Nulter

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Dave Wadlington

PM - Bill Merrill

Ryan Gaston

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

Door Greeters

AM Door 1 - Jack Newberry

2 - Ron Riddle

4 - Ray Sams

PM

- 1. Emily Saunders & Sarah Hinzman
- 2. Len & Susan Haid
- 3. Brenda Brinkman & Mildred Gault
- 4. Pat & Kim Barclay
- 5. Janet Cook & Colleen Ash
- 6. Lenore Vaught & Martha Metz

Facts and Figures

March 25, 2012

AM Service.......308 Bible Study......240 PM Service.....213

Wednesday......200 Contribution......\$6561.55

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms......4 Restored or Requested Prayers.....1 Placed Membership....9

Schedule of Services

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Evening Bible Study.....7:00

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

IN GOD WE TRUST - FOUR WEEK SEMINAR

In God We Trust - A four week seminar held at the Dewey Avenue congregation in St. Marys, 7:00-8:30PM concludes this Thursday

GOLDEN AGERS DAY

Hopewell congregation Thursday, April 5 10:00AM-12:00PM

GOSPEL MEETINGS

 Pennsboro congregation April 8-13
 Speaker: J.D. Conley

- Mineral Wells congregation April 9-12 Various speakers
 - Rosemar congregation April 15-18 Various speakers
- West Union congregation April 15-18
 Speaker: Gary C. Hampton
- Congregation located at the corner of Walter Street/Rt. 23

 and Kyle Avenue in Salem, WV
 April 29-May 4
 Speaker: Melvin Rogers

7th ANNUAL LADIES INSPIRATION DAY

April 14

Pursley congregation Speaker: Janna Menear

24th ANNUAL GOLDEN AGERS DAY

Saturday, April 14 10:00AM - 2:30PM New Concord congregation

MID-OHIO VALLEY LADIES' DAY

Saturday, April 21 Lynn Street Church of Christ Speaker: Sally Shank

STARK COUNTY MEN'S RETREAT

The Stark County Men's Retreat will be conducted by the Northwest congregation in Canton, OH April 13-14. Brother Earl Ash preaches at this congregation.

* Details are on the bulletin boards in both fovers. *

Friday Night Sing



The Friday Night Sing this week will be at the North End congregation.



