

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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## Seeds of Comfort

Let God's love bud  
within your heart and  
bring sweet fragrant flowers,  
then spread the seed to many  
in their trying hour.

Spread the seed of kindness  
when someone seems uptight.

Spread the seed of cheer  
when things don't seem just  
right.

Spread the seed of joy  
when sorrow is around.

Spread the seed of peace  
where strife seems to abound.

Spread God's Word to others  
each and every day,  
Let His Seed of Comfort  
bring flowers along their way.

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Bear ye one another's burdens,  
and so fulfill the law of  
Christ.

**Galatians 6:2**



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Gary Herridge  
Paul Inman  
Stan Inman  
John Life  
Bill Mills  
Ron Riddle  
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Todd Kirk  
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## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Pat Barclay, Jean Buckley, Harvey Caplinger Jr., Sheila Conner, De Fleak, Bob Fox, David Frazier, Zandra Holleron, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Leonard Shears, Mike Stone, Jim VanCamp

## OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Jamie Atkinson, Kenadie Barclay, Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce, Chloie Burns, Karen Caplinger, Gary Chandler, Madison Cottrell, Rhonda Couch, Margaret Cowdery, Shellie Damsa, Christopher Daniels, Lidia DiConcilis, Owen Dulaney, Barbara Elliott, Tim Fought, Charlotte Frame, Chuck Gibbs, 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, Ed Lemley, Cybill Lockney, Rick Lucas, Paul Mace, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Cathy Morrison, 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.



- ♥ I appreciate each of the birthday cards I received. They were each so special. **Shorty Frazier**
- ♥ Thank you for all the birthday cards. I enjoyed each and every one. **Marion Goldsmith**
- ♥ Dear Friends - The cards were beautiful. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. **Sandy Hughes**



A special thank you to Sandy Hughes for baking the communion bread this month.

The Blood Drive was a success!

## THANK YOU!

Approximately 40 people came to donate on Monday. We had 38 productive units. The goal was 35.

Thanks go to the ladies that helped: Betty Lamb, Linda Camp, Rosemary Merrill, Kay Stanley and Jo Goldsmith.

**Marion Goldsmith**

### **LOVE AND CARE SERVICE TODAY AND THURSDAY**

Care Group 1 will be conducting the services at Love and Care today at 2:30 and Thursday at 7:00PM. It is wonderful to worship and fellowship with the Love and Care residents and staff .

### **DEACON'S MEETING TODAY**

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

### **AREA WIDE TEEN DEVO. TOMORROW EVENING**

The final area wide devo. of the year will be 7:00 tomorrow evening at the Hopewell congregation. Transportation will leave here at 6:30. Please sign the list in the foyer if you plan to attend.

### **LOVE AND CARE MONTHLY SING TOMORROW**

The monthly sing at Love and Care will be tomorrow evening at 7:00. Plan to attend for a time of worship and fellowship with the residents.

### **CHRISTIAN FAMILY GET-TOGETHER FRIDAY**

Everyone is invited to the Christian Family get-together this Friday at 6:00 in the MP Room.

### **MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER**

Just a reminder...MNFTM will meet March 5 in the MP Room at 5:45 for dinner and 6:20 for a devotional and work projects. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer.

### **LLL CONVENTION**

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

### **ANNUAL BASEBALL TRIP**

If you are interested in tickets to the annual baseball game Friday, August 17 in Cincinnati, see Rick Stanley.

### **COUPONS**

Please bring coupons to the Library for the exchange. Feel free to take any you can use.

### **CHURCH PANTRY NEEDED ITEMS**

Our church pantry is in need of the following items: canned fruits, canned carrots, jelly, peanut butter.

### **RON AND ZANDRA HOLLERON'S ADDRESS**

Their new address is: 56 Carr Lane Mineral Wells, WV 26150 Telephone: 304.489.3559

### **Daily Bible Reading**

**February 26** - Mark 5:1-20, Lev. 27  
**February 27** - Mark 5:21-42, Nu 1-2  
**February 28** - Mark 6:1-29, Nu 3-4  
**February 29** -  
**March 1** - Mark 6:30-56, Nu 5-6  
**March 2** - Mark 7:1-23, Nu 7  
**March 3** - Mark 7:24-37, Nu 8  
**March 4** - Mark 8:1-21, Nu 9-10

### **3rd Annual An Evening of Values**

March 8, 2012 6:00PM  
Grand Pointe Conference Center in  
Vienna, WV  
Tickets: \$60.00

### **37TH ANNUAL MEN'S INSPIRATION DAY**

The Norval Park congregation in Zanesville, OH will be holding their 37th Annual Men's Inspiration Day March 10.

Speaker: Gary Hampton  
Theme: God's Providence  
Details are on the bulletin boards in both foyers.

### **IN GOD WE TRUST- FOUR WEEK SEMINAR**

In God We Trust - A four week seminar held at the Dewey Avenue congregation in St. Marys, each Thursday evening (March 15 - April 5) at 7:00-8:30PM.

Hosted by the Dewey Avenue and the Pennsboro congregations  
Presented by the Warren Christian Apologetics Center.

### **STARK COUNTY MEN'S RETREAT**

The Stark County Men's Retreat will be conducted by the Northwest congregation in Canton, OH April 13-14. (This is the congregation where Ethan Ash's father preaches.) Details on the bulletin boards in both foyers.



**TRANSPORTATION SIGN-UP  
SHEETS WILL BE IN THE FOYER.**



# **DANA'S DIRECTION**

## **BAPTISM: A RESPONSE OF FAITH**

The Lord set baptism as the “faith response” to His grace that would bring salvation to man. In baptism there is found design, order, meaning and beauty. The beauty of baptism is seen in its symbols.

Baptism is a re-enactment of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ (Romans 6:3-11). It is a birth into a new life (John 3:1-5) and a salvation from the old world of sin (I Peter 3:18-22; Titus 3:5-7). Baptism is the uniting act one experiences in becoming part of Christ and His body, the church (I Corinthians 12:12-14).

Baptism is a beautiful act because of what it depicts. Not only does it portray one's total surrender to the will of God, but it also determines the precise moment that one is washed by the blood of Christ. Salvation from sin requires contact with the redemptive blood. Contact with the blood requires contact with His death. Contact with His death occurs at the point of baptism (Romans 6:3-5).

Baptism is a clearly revealed doctrine in scripture, one of simple beauty and meaning. Baptism is a command of God. Baptism is essential to salvation. Baptism is the “beginning” of the Christian race not the “end”. The race to be won requires running by faith, serving God, worshipping regularly and feeding on His word. Baptism “alone” will not save a person's soul. Baptism “alone” is a mere dipping in water, nothing more.

Roger Massey

# SERMON NOTES

## Baptism and Salvation: (Acts 2:36-47)

"Now as they went down the road, they came to some \_\_\_\_\_. The eunuch said, "See here is water. What hinders me from being \_\_\_\_\_?" Then Phillip said, "If you \_\_\_\_\_ with all your heart, you \_\_\_\_\_." So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Phillip and the eunuch went \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_ and he \_\_\_\_\_ him." (Acts 8:36-38)

### On the Day of Pentecost.

"Now when they heard this, they were cut to the \_\_\_\_\_, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles 'Men and brethren \_\_\_\_\_ shall we do?' Then Peter said to them 'Repent, and let every one of you be \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of sins," (Acts 2:38)

**#1) Baptism is \_\_\_\_\_ by Jesus.** "Be \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of Jesus Christ." **Baptism is the NT was never \_\_\_\_\_.** **IT was commanded of the Jews on the Day of \_\_\_\_\_.** **It was commanded of Cornelius and the \_\_\_\_\_.** "And he \_\_\_\_\_ them to be \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Lord. (Acts 10:48). **It was commanded of Saul** "And now, why are you \_\_\_\_\_? Arise and be baptized, and \_\_\_\_\_ away your \_\_\_\_\_, calling on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord." (Acts 22:16) **Every Biblical account of \_\_\_\_\_ includes baptism."**

**#2) Baptism is for \_\_\_\_\_.** **Baptism is commanded of every \_\_\_\_\_ believer.**

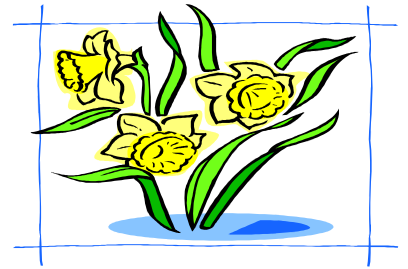
**#3) Baptism is an \_\_\_\_\_ in water.** "Therefore we are \_\_\_\_\_ with Him through \_\_\_\_\_ into death, that just as Christ was \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we should \_\_\_\_\_ in newness of life." **(Romans 6:3-4)** "Both Phillip and the eunuch went \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_... and when they came \_\_\_\_\_ out of the water..." (Acts 8:38-39)

**#4) Baptism is for \_\_\_\_\_.** "He that \_\_\_\_\_ and is \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_." (Mark 16:16) "Baptism also now \_\_\_\_\_ us, not the putting away of the filth of the \_\_\_\_\_, but the answer of a good \_\_\_\_\_ toward God." (I Peter 3:21) **In baptism we reach the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.**

**#5) Baptism is a form of the \_\_\_\_\_.** **The Gospel is the \_\_\_\_\_, burial and \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.** **We must die to our \_\_\_\_\_.** **We are \_\_\_\_\_ in baptism.** **We arise to \_\_\_\_\_ in newness of life.**

**The Truth about baptism.** It is \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ to be \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus for the \_\_\_\_\_ of our sins, so that we may walk in newness of \_\_\_\_\_.

# Spring Quarter Bible Class Teachers



## SUNDAY (11:00AM)

CLASS	TEACHER(S)
<u>Toddlers</u>	
Under age 2	Carrie Nygard
2 - 3 year olds	Stacy Smith/Gwen Johnson
<u>Preschool</u>	
4 - 5 year olds	Jenny Ware/Connie Hickman
<u>Primary</u>	
Grades 1 - 2	Pam Bayer
Grade 3	Annette Kirk/Gloria Frazier
<u>Intermediate</u>	
Grades 4 - 5	Jeff and Julie Taberner
<u>Middle and High School</u>	
Grades 6 - 8	Paul Nygard
Grades 9 -12	Todd Kirk
<u>Adult Classes</u>	
Auditorium	Dana Slingluff (Biblical Studies)
Room 109	Rick Stanley
<u>College</u> - (Room 112)	Paul Inman/Pat Barclay

## WEDNESDAY (7:00PM)

CLASS	TEACHER(S)
<u>Toddlers</u>	
Under age 2	
2 - 3 year olds	Natalie Haught/Annette Kirk
<u>Preschool</u>	
4 - 5 year olds	Teresa Wade
<u>Primary</u>	
Grades 1 - 2	Barbara Saunders
Grade 3	Peggy Riddle/Sonya Hescht
<u>Intermediate</u>	
Grades 4 - 5	Cheryl Logston/Carol Vincent
<u>Middle and High School</u>	
Grades 6 - 8	Ron Riddle
Grades 9 - 12	Paul Nygard
<u>Adult Classes</u>	
Auditorium	Dana Slingluff
Room 109	Gary Herridge (Bible Geography)
<u>Ladies Class</u> -	Room 112 - Naomi Carr, Patty Sayre, Carrie Nygard, Felicia Barclay (I & II Thessalonians)
<u>College</u> - (MP Room)	Scott Smith/Dave Wadlington

### Bible Study is:

- The friend of childhood.
- The inspiration of youth.
- The strength of middle life.
- The comfort of declining years.

### Bible Study has:

- God's day for it's time.
- God's house for its place.
- God's book for its text.

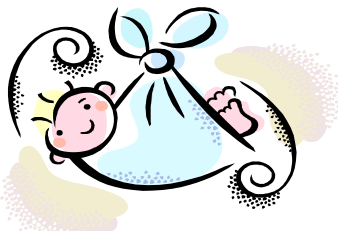
### Bible Study deserves:

- The full support,
- The prayerful interest,
- The loyal cooperation, of every member of the church.



Let your friends and family know they are welcome at Bible Study and Worship!





# NURSERY REVISIONS

Our Nursery was originally established to help those mothers who needed some assistance with their children during the worship hour. This was especially true for mothers with new born babies who also had other children to deal with during normal worship services. However, over time we have seen a change in the needs of our new mothers. Today we have fewer mothers with young children and fewer children in the individual families. The elders have been approached by some of our present mothers who have babies requesting that the nursery be revised to better reflect their needs. They have indicated that they normally prefer to take care of these babies themselves and they prefer a quiet place to do this.

The elders agree that some changes are needed, so beginning in March 2012, the following revisions will be made to our Nursery:

- \* The nursery will no longer be an attended nursery. If specific help is needed by some mothers, the ushers will have a list of available ladies to contact to provide assistance.
- \* Additional dividers will be provided in the present Nursery space to allow mothers and/or fathers more privacy.
- \* Use of the Nursery should be limited to very young children (those in diapers) with their parent.

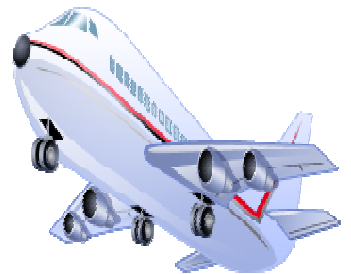
The elders hope these changes will provide a better environment for our mothers/fathers and their babies and meet the needs of these families.

**The Elders**

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## Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

There is no such thing as a partial commitment. When the pilot of a giant airline is speeding down the runway, there is a certain point where he cannot decide to remain on the ground. When he crosses that line, he's committed to the air or the plane crashes. The pilot cannot change his mind when the plane is two-thirds of the way down the runway.



Unfortunately, our churches are filled with members who have never left the ground. They have just been sitting there for years and years gunning their engines! They are always prepping – just getting ready! They are going to get busy for the Lord – they have been planning on it – meaning to – wanting to – trying to – going to – aiming to – hoping to, but tragedy of tragedies, they **STILL** have not left the ground! I believe that God expects more of a commitment from us than that! Isn't it high time that we **ALL** commit?

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



## FEATURED BOOK OF THE WEEK...

There is the old adage, "If you do not learn from history, you are doomed to repeat it." While true of secular history, it is also true of church history. That is the beauty and strength of Sermon Outlines on the Restoration Plan by C.C. Crawford. For many years these types of sermons assisted in building a solid foundation. I believe there is and will be benefit if these sermons are examined at least one month yearly to help us understand where we have come from. A scan of the twenty-five sermons permits a sincere believer to firmly ground his feet on holy ground.

### Some of the examples of the sermons are:

- "What Church Did Jesus Establish"
- "Is There Anything in a Name?"
- "Is One Church as Good as Another?"
- "The Gospel Plan of Salvation"
- "Popular Misconceptions of the New Testament Church Position"

Do you really want to know what the restoration plea is and why it is important and applicable? Then read and absorb this volume.

These featured books were donated in memory of Betty Rockhold and will be available in our church library.

John Rockhold III



### Kayla Inman's birthday is March 6.

Let's encourage her with cards.  
Her address is :  
40712 John Mosby Highway  
Aldie, VA 20105

### Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave here this Friday at 6:15 for the Friday Night sing at the Riverside congregation.

Watch "IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY" every Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP-TV.



### UPCOMING TOPIC

March 4  
WHERE COULD I GO?

### MEN SERVING MARCH 4

ELDER IN CHARGE - Bill Mills

DEACON IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders

### SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught

PM - Scott Smith

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - David Wadlington

Close - Sean Plant

6:00 PM - Jeff Taberner

Close - Delmas Carr

### SCRIPTURE

AM - Josie Rodriguez

PM - Ryan Gaston

### COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Bill Merrill

PM - Keith Smith

Russ Alton

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

### Door Greeters

AM Door 1 - Chris Tallman

2 - Ray Sams

3 - Carolyn Davis

### PM

1. Mark Dean & Dana Sponseller

2. Ashley Nygard & Calais Nygard

3. Leon & Judy Hupp

4. David & Lois Nulter

5. Mike & Teresa Wade

6. Keith & Eloise Smith

## Facts and Figures

February 19, 2012

AM Service.....224

Bible Study.....292

PM Service.....263

Wednesday.....226

Contribution.....\$6930.23

### OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....2

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....1

Placed Membership....1

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

### Wednesday

Early Bible Study.....11:00

Evening Bible Study.....7:00