

Camden Avenue Church of Christ
2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

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Church Photo **Directory**



**We are updating our church directory
and want your photo included.**

**Please sign the list in the foyer to
schedule a time to have your picture
taken. Photo sessions will be in
Room 155.**

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
 Doug Hershman
 Rob Hoover
 William Hoover
 Kyle Inman
 Scott Johnson
 Todd Kirk
 Ray Sams
 Paul Saunders
 Dwain Shears
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 Scott Smith
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65th Wedding Anniversary

Raymond and Bonnie Life will celebrate their 65th Wedding Anniversary on July 19th.

They would enjoy receiving cards.

Wyngate Senior Community (Room 114)
 1 Wyngate Drive, Parkersburg, WV 26105



♥ Thank you for the birthday cards and gifts. I appreciate you all very much. **Robin Anthony**



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Pat Barclay, Jean Buckley, De Fleak, Bob Fox, David Frazier, Jim Henry, Zandra Holleron, Linda Moncrief, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Teresa Steed, Jim VanCamp

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Tony & Lynsi Adams, Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Olivia Alexander, Kenadie Barclay, Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce, Chlorie Burns, Karen Caplinger, Gary Chandler, Madison Cottrell, Rhonda Couch, Shellie Damsa, Christopher Daniels, Lidia DiConcilis, Owen Dulaney, Ronnie Dye, Barbara Elliott, Sharon Fluharty, Tim Fought, Charlotte Frame, Nancy Hardman, Anna Hicks, Reba Hirzil, Adam Hoschar, Helen James, Brenda Jones, Glenn Jones, Lorean Jones, Phillip Johnson, Bob and Colleen Keister, Paul King, Julia Knight, Kenny Kreaps, Bob Laishey, Cybill Lockney, Rick Lucas, Paul Mace, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Betty Morris, Cathy Morrison, Jamie Moyers, Ann Owens, Robert Peters, Dale Putnam, Scott Riser, Louise Rudolph, Darrell Sams, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Ronnie Smith, Anne Spokes, Valerie Stevens, Lisa Taylor, Alexander Trippett, Gina Uhl, Lisa Wagner, Carol Weekley, Angel White

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



BAPTISM

We rejoice that Patty Dawson was baptized into Christ Wednesday morning. She will be in Care Group 3. She is Alisha Hershman's aunt. Her address is: 2619 29th Street Parkersburg, WV 26101

We welcome her into the Camden Avenue family.

GIRLS' GIFT CLASS TODAY

Girls' GIFT class will meet today in the LLL workroom after worship and Bible classes. The girls need to bring lunch money. See Annette Kirk for details.

MEN'S MEETING - BIBLE BUSTERS TODAY

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

LLL KICKOFF THIS EVENING

The Lads to Leaders kickoff will be this evening after services in the MP Room. This is for anyone planning to participate in LLL this year and/or for anyone wanting more information. Bring snack foods, desserts and beverages.

DEACON'S MEETING SUNDAY, JULY 29

The monthly Deacon's meeting has been changed to July 29.

CHURCH PICNIC, AUGUST 4

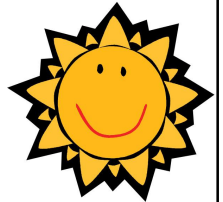
The church picnic will be Saturday, August 4 at DuPont park. We will meet at 3:00 and eat at 4:00.



July 15 - Ac 15:1-21, Neh 6-7
July 16 - Ac 15:22-41, Neh 8-9
July 17 - Ac 16:1-15, Neh 10-11
July 18 - Ac 16:16-40, Neh 12-13
July 19 - Ac 17:1-15, Est 1-3
July 20 - Ac 17:16-34, Est 4-6
July 21 - Ac 18, Est 7-10
July 22 - Ac 19:1-20, Job 1-3

SUMMER SERIES

Our Summer Series will continue this Wednesday at 7:00 with Roger Massey.



Topic: Walking in Wisdom



ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVE-AWAY

We will be collecting the following items:

3 ring notebooks, spiral notebooks, pencils, colored pencils, pens, crayons, markers, erasers, folders, scissors, glue/glue sticks, notebook paper (No backpacks needed.)

Please leave school supplies in the bin located in the foyer, by Sunday, August 5.

Cash donations may be given to one of the Elders or Dwain Shears.

WHEN GOD FORGIVES, HE FORGETS, HOW ABOUT YOU?

Two brothers were caught stealing sheep. The villagers punished the young men by branding their foreheads with a hot iron marked ST for “sheep thief”.

One brother ran from one village to another to hide from the stigma. When the villagers learned the meaning of the letters, he fled to the next town. His life was lived in this manner until he eventually died, hopelessly unhappy.

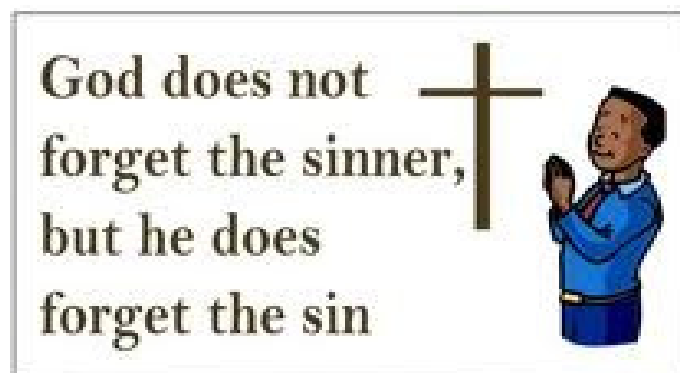
The other brother, however, stayed in his home village determined to gain back the love and respect of his villagers. He turned away from sheep stealing, he paid back his debts. Over the years he became a highly respected citizen of his community.

After many years passed, a stranger traveled through the village one day. Upon seeing an old man with a strange brand of his forehead, he asked one of the old timers about it.

“It all happened a very long time ago,” the old timer replied, “And I don’t remember the particulars, but I believe the ST stands for ‘saint’.

It is said God has a short memory. . .when we confess our faults, repent of our sins...obey the commandments of God...then when God forgives, He forgets...May our memories be equally poor with our fellow man....rather, let us look to ourselves...that we might stand before God, in that day, with clean hands and a pure heart (Psalms 24:40).

Bulletin Digest





Forgiving Like Jesus Forgave

(I Peter 2:21-25)

“Because Christ also suffered for you, leaving us an _____, that you should _____ in His steps: “Who committed no _____, nor was _____ found in His mouth”; who when He was _____, did not revile in _____; when He _____, He did not _____, but committed himself to Him who judges righteously.” (I Peter 2:21-23)

I) Forgiveness is the _____ for which Jesus came into the world. _____ was the problem of man from the beginning. “We have all _____ and fall short of the glory of God.” (Romans 3:23) “The _____ of sin is _____.” (Rom.6:23). God’s plan to forgive man of their sin was Jesus. “You will call His name _____ for he will _____ His people from their _____.” (Matt. 1:20-21).

Jesus had the power to _____ sins. In Luke 5:20 Jesus told the paralyzed man who came for healing “man, you _____ are _____ you.”

Jesus was God’s plan for the forgiveness of man. “He made Him, who knew no _____ to be sin for us.” (II Cor. 5:21) “He was wounded for our _____, bruised for our _____ ... by His stripes _____ are healed.” (Isaiah 53:5) “Knowing that you were not _____ with corruptible things...but with the precious _____ of Christ.” (I Peter 1:18-19)

II) Forgiveness was the _____ of Jesus’ life. “And when they had come to Calvary, there they _____ Him. Then Jesus said, “Father _____ them, for they do not _____ what they do.” (Luke 23:33-34) “Jesus said to Peter, “Simon, son of Jonas, do you _____ Me more than these?” He said to Him, “Yes, lord, you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Feed my _____.” (John 21:15-17)

III) Forgiveness is the _____ that Jesus taught. “But I say to you, _____ your enemies, _____ those who _____ you, do _____ to them that hate you, and _____ for those who spitefully use you and persecute you.” (Matt.5:43-45) “Peter said, “Lord, how _____ shall my brother _____ against me and I _____ him? Up to _____ times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say up to seven times, but up to _____ times seven.” (Matt. 18:21-22) “If your brother sins against you _____ him; if he repents _____ him. And if he sins against you _____ times in a day, and seven times in a day returns to you, saying, ‘I _____, you shall _____ him.” (Luke 17:3-4)

IV) Our Forgiving others is Jesus _____ for forgiving us. “for if you _____ men their _____, your heavenly Father will also forgive _____. But if you do not forgive men their _____, neither will your Father _____ your trespasses.” (Matt. 6:14-15) After telling of the unforgiving servant who was delivered to be punished, Jesus said “So will my heavenly Father also do to you, if _____ of you, does not _____ his brother his trespasses.” (Matt. 18:35) “For judgment is without _____ to the one who has _____ no mercy.” (James 2:13)



“MARY HAD A LITTLE BOY . . .”

By: Bob Vincent

He preaches for the Tipp City congregation.
Bob is the son of Dearll and Carol Vincent

Bible study is very important. We must know what the Bible teaches in order to obey God. We need to be very careful that we do not simply rely on someone else's knowledge for our own understanding.. We need to know what the Bible teaches because one day we will be judged individually by it (John 12:48). Because of this fact, we, as a congregation of God's people, assemble together on Sunday mornings at 9:30AM and on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM for Bible study.

However, there are members of the church, even some with children, who evidently do not see the need to study God's Word together. We must realize what we are saying to others by our example in not coming to Bible study. To our brothers and sisters in Christ we are saying, “Fellowship with you is not important to me.” To the babe in Christ we are saying, “You don't really have to study the Bible to grow.” To the visitor we are saying, “There is not much interest in studying the Bible here.” To the Bible class teacher we are saying, “Your preparation for class means nothing to me.” To God we are saying, “I don't love You and Your Word enough to take two extra hours of my time each week to go to Bible study.”

Sometime ago, I came across the following poem entitled, “Mary Had A Little Boy.” The author is unknown to me, but the poem teaches a powerful lesson. Please read it carefully and honestly and ask yourself “Have I been attending Bible study and worship as a true child of God should?” If you have not, make a change TODAY!

*Mary had a little boy; His soul was white as snow.
He never went to Bible school 'cause Mary wouldn't go.
He never heard the stories of Christ to thrill his little mind.
While other children went to class, this child was left behind.*

*And as he grew from babe to youth, she saw to her dismay,
A soul that once was snowy white became a dingy gray.
Realizing he was lost, she tried to win him back;
But now the soul that once was white became an ugly black.*

*She even started going to church and Bible study too;
She begged the preacher, “Isn't there something you can do?”
The preacher tried, failed, and said, “We're just too far behind.
I tried to tell you years ago, but you would pay no mind.”*

*And so another soul is lost that once was white as snow;
Bible school would have helped him, but Mary wouldn't go.*

August Birthdays and Anniversaries



August 2 - Cassie Hennen, Nancy Stanley
August 3 - Pat Hoover
August 4 - Scott Johnson
August 5 - Jamie Atkinson
August 7 - Bill Davis, Cecil McCutcheon, *Dana & Cindy Slingluff
August 8 - Bill Camp, Ed Porter, Hannah Shears
August 9 - Sharon Herridge
August 10 - Ron Riddle, Donna Tice
August 11 - Colleen Ash
August 13 - *David & Carla Wadlington
August 14 - Jane Pralley, Emily Saunders
August 15 - Leonard Shears
August 17 - *Steve & Linda Gray
August 18 - Debbie Beaver, John Life
August 19 - Mary Lamp, Lois Nulter, Carrie Nygard, *Dwain & Kimberlee Shears
August 20 - Drew Hershman
August 22 - Rose Merrill, Ray Sams, Dearll Vincent
August 24 - Larry Stanley
August 26 - Sherry Wilcox
August 27 - Linda Gray, Karen Life, Eloise Smith, Brad Sheppard, Clyde Yoho
August 28 - Kyler Wade
August 29 - Keith Cowdery

* Anniversary

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



Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM

I liked the old paths, when Moms were at home. Dads were at work.

And girls got married **BEFORE** having children!

Crime did **NOT** pay; hard work did; and people knew the difference.

Husbands were loving; Wives were supportive; and Children were polite. Children knew what would happen when they broke the rules.

Women wore the jewelry; Men wore the pants; and God was always first in the home.

People loved the truth, and hated a lie. Deals were made with a handshake.

Cursing was wicked; Drugs were for illness.

The flag was honored; America was beautiful; and God was welcome!

We read the Bible in public; Prayed in school daily.

To be called an American was worth dying for; To be called an American was worth living for; To be called a traitor was a shame!

You know, I **STILL** like the old paths best!

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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE Next Sunday, July 22

ELDER IN CHARGE - Dearll Vincent
DEACON IN CHARGE - Dwain Shears

SONG LEADERS

AM - Jim Galloway
PM - Walter Morgan

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Leonard Haid
Close - David Wadlington
6:00 PM - Ed Collins
Close - Clyde Yoho

SCRIPTURE

AM - Phil Deem
PM - Don Dougherty

COMMUNION TABLE

AM - Bill Hoover
PM - Keith Smith
Bill Mills

PA SYSTEM - Steve Gray

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave here Friday at 5:15 for the sing at the Pennsville, OH congregation.



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

UPCOMING TOPIC

July 22

THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP



*Come Worship
With Us*

What to Expect

- When you worship with us you will find we pray to God through Christ (I Timothy 2:5).
- When you worship with us you will find we praise God without instruments in the same manner as those of the New Testament (Col 3:16, Eph 5:19, I Cor 14:15).
- When you worship with us you will find what we preach and teach comes from God's word and no where else. We speak where the Bible speaks and remain silent where the Bible is silent (II Tim 3:16-17).
- When you worship with us you will find we partake of the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week, every week, in the same manner of those in the New Testament (Acts 20:7, Acts 2:42).
- When you worship with us you will find we give of our means on the first day of the week, every week, in the same manner of those in the New Testament (I Cor 16:1-2).

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Kirk crew.

They include Steve Allen, Delmas Carr, Todd Kirk, and Daniel Nygard.



Facts and Figures

July 8, 2012

AM Service.....276
Bible Study.....208
PM Service.....192
Wednesday.....221
Contribution.....\$6605.42

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2012

Baptisms.....7
Restored or Requested Prayers.....3
Placed Membership....11

Schedule of Services

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Evening Bible Study.....7:00