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

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Happy 100th Birthday to Gypsy Newberry!

You are invited to celebrate her birthday today from 2:00-5:00 at her home at 1811 15th Avenue.

She has been a member here for over 80 years!

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

Deacons:
Delmas Carr
Ralph Conner
Marion Goldsmith
Leonard Haid
Brian Haught
Doug Hershman
Rob Hoover
William Hoover
Todd Kirk
Everett Sams
Ray Sams
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
Keith Smith
Scott Smith
Jeff Taberner
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THANK YOU NOTES

♥ Thanks for all the cards expressing sympathy for me in the death of my son-in-law, Marty Liggins. In Christian love, **Colleen Ash**

♥ To my Christian friends, Thank you for all the prayers and cards during Marty's illness and death. Thanks for the flowers and the food prepared for our family after the burial. You all are very special people.
Linda Liggins

♥ Thank you for all the cards, prayers, visits and kind comments on my return to services after my recent stay at home and in the hospital.
Pat Barclay

♥ Thanks for all the birthday cards. I enjoyed each one. **Bill Mills**

HOSPITAL

Marietta Memorial
Dale Wilcox (Room 407)

Jenny Reynolds had knee surgery Wednesday in Ohio.

CARD SHOWER

Debbie Shively, Stacy Piersol's sister, had surgery Friday.
Let's send her cards of encouragement.
Her address is: PO Box 344 Mineral Wells, WV 26150

PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Pat Barclay, Jean Buckley, Harvey Caplinger Jr., Sheila Conner, Bill Daniel, Corinna Francis, David Frazier, Oren Gore, Jim Henry, Delbert Holleron, Janet Johnson, Jo Langler, Dan McNemar, Gypsy Newberry, Jane Pralley, Opal Ray, Jenny Reynolds, John Stevens, Mike Stone

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Betty Akers, Billie Allman, Kenadie Barclay, Chlorie Burns, Sheila Caplinger, Madison Cottrell, Daniel Currey, Shellie Damsa, Barbara Elliott, Charlotte Frame, Zelma Grove, Rick Haddox, Nancy Hardman, Marjorie Hart, Anna Hicks, Adam Hoschar, Brenda Jones, Joe and Celia Johnson, Phillip Johnson, Donna Keffer, Paul King, Bob Laishey, Reba Layton, Cybill Lockney, Rick Lucas, Donna Ludwig, Larry McIntire, Jr., Shawn McNemar, Lynda Mills, Cathy Morrison, Jim Newbanks, Ann Owens, Kelsay Proffit, Keith Raines, Scott Riser, Baby Taylor Roberts, Vickie Sargent, Melissa Sawyers, Debbie Shively, Anne Spokes, John Staats, Larry Stewart, Valerie Stevens, Linda Tallman, Alexander Trippett, Gary Vaught, Carol Weekley, Angel White

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH TODAY

The monthly Fellowship lunch will be today after morning worship and Bible class in the MP Room. Bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.
Everyone is invited!

LLL SIGN UP AFTER PM SERVICE TODAY

There will be a meeting after evening service in the MP Room to sign up for Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes. Bring snack foods and beverages.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our VBS will begin tomorrow and go through Thursday at 7:00-8:30 each evening. We will have classes for all ages. (Also, we need cookies brought to the building today.)

MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY

The monthly Men's Meeting will be next Sunday at 5:00 and Bible Busters at 5:30.

BASEBALL TICKETS AVAILABLE

Rick Stanley has 11 tickets available to the annual baseball game August 19th in Pittsburgh. See him for the details.

RIVERBOAT SING

The River Boat sing will be Saturday, June 25 10:00AM-Noon. Tickets are $9.00 per person. We will sing down the Muskingum and Ohio Rivers then go to a Dutch treat lunch. For details, telephone 304.834.3129.

5th-12th GRADE GIRLS GIFT CLASS

The girls GIFT class will meet June 26 after morning worship and Bible study in the LLL workroom (Rooms 250-251). The girls need to bring lunch money. Also, have questions/projects ready. We will cover chapter 2.

AWARDS

Gavin Hilliard was awarded seven certificates of excellence for the school year at Little Warren.
Haylee Smith received a trophy for 2nd place in the spelling bee.
Holly and Ben Haught both finished a great soccer season. Their teams were finalist in the state WV Open Cup.
Hannah Shears received certificates for academic achievements, including a Gold Award from President Obama and a savings bond for maintaining a 4.0 (straight A's) for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade.

The elders are happy to announce that Paul Nygard has accepted to work with the Camden Avenue congregation as the associate minister.

Paul and his family will be moving to Parkersburg sometime in late July.

We are happy that Paul has agreed to work with us and we look forward to having Paul and his family at Camden Avenue.

Their address is:
8547 Harold Duncan Way
Knoxville, TN 37931

(It would be nice if we could each send Paul and his family a note telling them how glad we are to have them working with us.)

The Nygard family is interested in finding a house to rent.

If anyone knows of a 3-4 bedroom rental house, please let the Elders know.

Weekly Bible Reading

June 12 - John 15, I Ch 3-5
June 13 - John16, 1 Ch 6
June 14 - John 17, I Ch 7-8
June 15 - John 18:1-24, I Ch 9-10
June 16 - John 18:25-40, I Ch 11-12
June 17 - John 19:1-16, I Ch 13-15
June 18 - John 19:17-42, I Ch 16-17
June 19 - John 20:1-18, I Ch 18-19

YOUTH DEVOS. NEXT SATURDAY

The K-5th grade devo. will be at Bill and Kay Mills' home at 5:00. The 6th-12th grade devo. will meet at the Bayer's.
More details will be announced.

SERMON NOTES

Deacons – God's Special Servants (Acts 6:1-7)

Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the _____ and said, "It is not _____ that we should leave the word of God and _____ tables. Therefore, brethren, seek out from _____ you seven men of good _____, full of the _____ _____ and wisdom, whom we may _____ over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to _____ and to the _____ of the word." (Acts 6:2-4)

What is a deacon? From DIAKONOS meaning "A _____, minister, waiter or _____. (Biblically) "A special _____ of God.

(I) The Church has many _____. "Now in those days, when the _____ of the disciples was _____, there arose a _____." (Acts 6:1)

(II) Deacons make it possible for _____ to function. No office in the church is more _____ but there are _____ to the work to be done.

(III) Deacons come _____ and belong _____ the church.

(IV) The right man, serving in the right way can gain _____ for himself and the church. "Those who have _____ well as deacons obtain for themselves a good _____and great _____ in the faith which is in Christ Jesus." (I Tim. 3:13)

(V) Deacons need a _____ and the _____ to do that job. 'Deacon' is a _____, not a title.

(VI) Deacons need to _____ themselves for the greatest _____. Misconception: 'Elders are over _____ things and Deacons are over physical things _____."

Stephen and Philip: "And Stephen, full of _____ and _____, did great signs and wonders among the people." (Acts 6:8) "And Philip went down to the city of Samaria and _____ Christ to them… when they believed Philip and he _____ the things concerning the _____ of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both _____ and _____ were _____." (Acts 8:5, 12)

(VII) When deacons are _____ the church will _____. "Then the _____ of God was spread, and the _____ of the disciples _____ greatly in Jerusalem." (Acts 6:7) **Qualified, _____ deacons are the key to a church at work.**

A MESSAGE FROM
RALPH CONNER, DEACON

THANKSGIVING

Thanks	Psalm 95:2
Happy	Psalm 144:15
Always	Matthew 28:20
Name	Proverbs 22:1
Key	Matthew 16:19
Sin	John 8:7
Go	John 14:2
Impossible	Luke 1:37
Victory	I Corinthians 15:57
Incorruptible	I Peter 1:23-25
Narrow	Matthew 7:13-14
Give	Acts 3:6

With Christian love,
Ralph Conner

ROANE/CALHOUN COUNTY 2011 CAMPAIGN FOR CHRIST
July 24-28 at 7:00 each evening

In Acts 16:9 we read: "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; there stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us."

We, at Camden Avenue, have a similar calling. Ours is not by a vision but nevertheless it is a request (calling).

The Spencer (Roane county) campaign is rapidly approaching. The brethren of the Spencer congregation (Roane county) and the Millstone congregation (Calhoun county) have been involved in this effort for over a year. They have requested our assistance the week of July 18th in personally contacting as many people as possible and inviting them to come hear the Gospel message proclaimed. The week of July 25th during the day there will be opportunities to follow up on contacts. Also, attend the services each evening at 7:00 (Monday-Thursday). Our attendance would be a great encouragement to the brethren and would illustrate to visitors the love and commitment we have for the cause of Christ.

The elders have asked me to coordinate our efforts from Camden Avenue. Transportation will be provided each day. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could fill the van and bus with workers during these two weeks in July? Please consider being a part of this effort to reach the lost with the message of Jesus Christ. Pray that souls will be saved from this campaign.

In His Service,
Larry Wigal

DANA'S DIRECTION

Good News for the Church

So many positive things are taking place at Camden Avenue that it is difficult to emphasize them adequately. I have just decided to list them:

Appointment of Additional Deacons. Seventeen men are currently serving in this role, but as we plan for the future and organize the work that can be done, we can use several more. Fortunately, we have other men in the congregation who are willing to accept this challenge. This Sunday our sermons will examine the qualifications and work of deacons. Forms will be provided for you to submit names of those you consider qualified. Your prayers are solicited as we make these important appointments.

Vacation Bible School begins tomorrow night. VBS is a wonderful time for Bible study and fellowship for all ages. It is also a good opportunity to reach out to families with children. Why not bring your kids and grandkids and invite the neighbors to come along? June 13-16, 7:00pm – 8:30pm, each evening.

Wednesday Series continues throughout the summer. Our theme this year is the "One Another" passages in Scripture.

Adding an Associate Minister. The elders were pleased to announce this past Sunday that Paul Nygard was offered this work and has accepted. Paul, his wife Carrie, and children Daniel, Ashley, and Calais will be arriving sometime late in July. Paul will be graduating from the East Tennessee School of Preaching. He has served in the USAF and the Air National Guard. He was serving as a deacon in the Eastside church of Christ in Maryville, TN, when he decided to train for full-time ministry. Paul and I are both looking forward to working together in the many ministries that are already taking place at Camden Avenue and increasing the effective outreach of our congregation.

Love and Care. We really do not talk enough about the wonderful ministry that takes place every day at Love and Care. Our elders serve as the Board of Directors for the personal care facility that has been in operation now for nearly thirty years. Treva Dagget does an exceptional job as Administrator. Just a couple of weeks ago, inspectors from the West Virginia Department of Health spent three days in the facility. The result of that scrutiny was a survey that listed no 'deficiencies'. Having worked in the nursing home and assisted living field, I realize how rare 'perfect' surveys are! One of the inspectors (off the record) commented that Love and Care is the best assisted living facility in West Virginia. We should do all we can to encourage this good work. Visit the residents. Pray for the staff. Consider making regular contributions. What a wonderful way to practice **James 1:27**.

July Birthday and Anniversary

July 1 - *Jeff and Julie Taberner, *Donovan and Amy Walton
July 3 - Michaela Miller
July 4 - Phil Deem, Bob Fox, Janet Plant
July 5 - Nancy Putnam
July 6 - Ron Holleron
July 8 - Dani Barclay
July 11 - Ben Sheppard
July 12 - *Shorty and Gloria Frazier
July 13 - Don Dougherty
July 15 - Richard Marshall, Jim VanCamp
July 16 - Judy Hupp
July 18 - Harold Stanley
July 20 - Ruth Sams, Chris Tallman, *Keith and Eloise Smith
July 21 - Brenda Dougherty, Gary McConnell, Stacy Smith
July 23 - Margaret Dawkins
July 24 - Melissa Caplinger, Carla Wadlington, *Bill and Jane Pralley
July 25 - *Rick and Kay Stanley
July 27 - Debi Inman
July 28 - Emma Hershman, Phyllis Johnson, Natalie Tanner
July 30 - Dan McNemar, Kobe Wade
July 31 - Linda Moncrief

If your July birthday/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 910 WLTP

Last week I visited Washington, D.C. with my 11 year old grandson and his 5th grade class. One of the sites we saw was the Jefferson Memorial. The Memorial has four walls with different Jeffersonian writings on each of the walls. I found it extremely profound that in three of the four engraved writings of Jefferson, God is mentioned prominently. It seems that Jefferson had no problem recognizing the influence of a divine creator in the workings of our government. Why then do today's politicians not only ignore the influence of God, but actively try to drive the name of God from every corner of our society. What has happened? Why has this taken place? Why have we as Christians allowed this to take place?

Isaiah makes this very clear when warning the Israelites. He stated, "Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who put darkness for light and light for darkness." (Isaiah 5:20)

I'm becoming afraid for our country. I hope you are too, and I hope together we can do something about it.

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

MEN SERVING JUNE 19

ELDER IN CHARGE— John Life

DEACON IN CHARGE - Larry Wigal

SONG LEADERS
AM—John Life
PM- Kyle Inman
PRAYER
9:30 AM—Dave Wadlington
Close—Bill Hoover
6:00 PM—Kody Inman
Close—Bill Mills
SCRIPTURE
AM—Don Dougherty
PM—Cody Hoover
COMMUNION TABLE
AM—John Life
PM—Dave Lamp
Dan Rich

PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway

Facts and Figures

June 5, 2011
AM Service.....283
Bible Study.....222
PM Service.....228
Wednesday.....258
Contribution.....$9535.50

OUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2011

Baptisms.....4
Restored or Requested Prayers.....3
Placed Membership....3

The Lawn Crew for this week is the Kirby crew.

They include Dennis Keller, Ted Miller, Don Nesselroad, Donovan Walton, and Bill Kirby.

Schedule of Services

Sunday
AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Study.....10:45
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday
Bible Study.....7:00

FRIDAY NIGHT SING

The Friday Night sing will be at the 36th Street Church of Christ.

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

UPCOMING TOPICS
June 19
The Restoration Plea

Vacation Bible School

June 13-16 7:00-8:30 each evening

2 Year Olds	Julie Taberner Annette Kirk
3 Year Olds	Amy Walton Melissa Caplinger Carolina Walton
4-5 Year Olds	Connie Hickman Jenny Ware
Grades 1-3	Pam Bayer Kay Mills Kay Stanley Teresa Wade
Grades 4-5	Cheryl Logston Kimberlee Shears
Grades 5-8	Scott Smith
Adult	Rick Stanley

Schedule

7:00-7:05 Auditorium
7:10-7:25 Basement
7:30-8:10 Class
8:15-8:30 Auditorium