

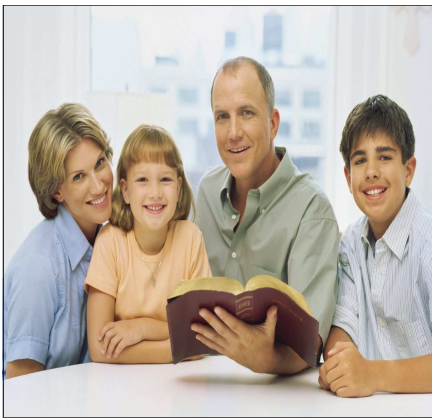
Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

We welcome you to the church of Christ that meets at Camden Avenue.

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Focus on the Family



We will have a *Focus on the Family* service every fifth Sunday evening this year. This evening Dana will bring a lesson based on the topic "*The State of the Family*".

Please attend and invite others!

Senior Saints Day

"Each Day I'll Do..."

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

Tom Butterfield,
Guest Speaker



Registration begins at 9:00. 9:30-9:45, Welcome and singing.
10:00—Noon, Presentation and panel discussion. Lunch and entertainment to follow.

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Thank you for
worshipping with
us.
Your presence has
been a blessing!

Thank You Notes



- ♥ Thanks for the cards and notes for my birthday. **Jim Galloway**
- ♥ Thanks to all who supported and/or participated in the 2011 Stepping Stones Bowl-A-Thon. Your consideration made the event a very successful endeavor. Blessings, **Ruth Ann Gibbs**
- ♥ Thank you so much for all the birthday wishes. They are very much appreciated. In Christian Love, **Penny Eddy**
- ♥ Thanks so much to the congregation for all the nice cards I received. Loved all of them. Also, Harvey enjoyed his birthday cards and thanks everyone. In Christian Love, **Mary and Harvey Caplinger**
- ♥ Thank you all for the birthday cards and good wishes. **Bill Hoover**

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Our condolences to the family of David Kimes. He passed away Tuesday. Visitation will be tomorrow 1:00-7:00 (with a singing service at 6:30) at the Kimes Funeral Home. His service will be there Tuesday at 1:00.

Our sympathy goes to Janet Plant in the passing of her sister, Jean Davis. Visitation was Wednesday in Parkersburg. Also, to Brenda Dougherty in the passing of her uncle, George Simpson. He passed away Monday, March 16. Per his wishes, there was no service.



Please keep our church family in your prayers.

Sharon Armstrong, Kim Barclay, Mary Ann Barclay, Hazel Cozad, Margaret Dawkins, Patty Dawson, Chelsea Doonan, Mike Fleak, Jo Florence, Lillie Fox, Gloria Frazier, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Steve Allen, Linda Baker (Friend of Jim and Sallie Hlnzman), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Kelly Boyce, Debbie Caplinger (Dearll and Carol Vincent's neighbor), Billy Goodwin, Bill Hofmann, Angie Ivey (Pat Barclay's niece), Baby James Jacobs (Clayton and Verna Huber's grandson), Jodi Mote (Grandson of Martha Metz), Lisa Osbourne (Steve Moser's sister), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), Sondra Simpson (Brenda Dougherty's aunt), Lisa Westbrook Smith, Susie Smith (Kay Stanley's cousin), Rick Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's son-in-law), Randy Ware (Jenny's husband), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece), Wilma White (Kay Stanley's aunt)

Please call the office to add/delete names to the Prayer Lists.



LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES SHOWCASE

Everyone is encouraged to view the projects at the LLL Showcase today at 4:30 in the MP Room. Come encourage the students.

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES PICNIC ITEMS REQUESTED

The sign-up sheet is on the counter for items needed for the LLL picnic. Items need to be left in the parking lot foyer by Wednesday.

MONDAY EVENING VISITATION

Everyone is encouraged to meet tomorrow evening in the MP Room at 6:00. We will be making visits. Afterwards, we will meet at Tim Horton's for fellowship.

LOVE AND CARE SING

Everyone is invited to the sing at Love and Care tomorrow evening at 7:00.

SENIOR SAINTS DAY

The annual Senior Saints Day will be held here Tuesday, March 31. Registration will begin at 9:00AM. Presentation and panel discussion from 10:00-Noon. Lunch and entertainment to follow. Tom Butterfield will be the speaker.

UPCOMING GOSPEL MEETING/FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Make plans to attend our Gospel Meeting April 19–22 with John Miller. Care Group 1 will host the Fellowship Lunch that Sunday and invites everyone.

GOLDEN AGERS TO RUBBERMAID FACTORY STORE/SMUCKERS TRIP

Golden Agers will be leaving Thursday, April 30 at 8:00AM for the Rubbermaid Factory Store and Smuckers store. We will be returning around 5:00PM. Dinner at Theo's in Cambridge, OH. Please sign sheet on counter if you plan to go.

LAWN CARE

If you would be willing to help with the church lawn, please see Dwain Shears.

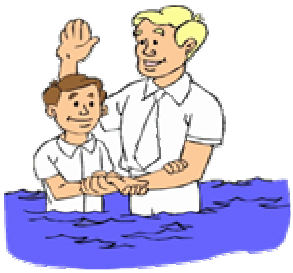
Friday Night Sing

The sing this week will be at the Barlow-Vincent congregation at 7:00PM.

Friday Night Sing schedules are available in the foyers.

Daily Bible Reading

March 29—Lu 4:1-15, De 26-27
March 30—Lu 4:16-44, De 28-29
March 31—Lu 5:1-16, De 30-31
April 1—Lu 5:17-39, De 32
April 2—Lu 6:1-26, De 33-34
April 3—Lu 6:27-49, Jos 1-4
April 4—Lu 7:1-17, Jos 5-7
April 5—Lu 7:18-50, Jos 8-9



10 REASONS TO BE BAPTIZED

Mass confusion exists as to the importance and purpose of baptism. If one will only consult his Bible, he will quickly learn both its purpose and importance:

1. *It is God's command.* Acts 10:48, "And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus". Can one disobey God's command with impunity?
2. *Lest you reject the counsel of God.* Luke 7:30, "the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the counsel of God, being not baptized . . ."
3. *To enter the kingdom of God.* John 3:5, "Except one be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized . . . ?, Acts 10:47.
4. It is the *answer of a good conscience.* 1 Peter 3:21, Baptism is "not the putting away of the filth of the flesh but the answer of a good conscience toward God." In baptism one's conscience is cleansed by the blood of Jesus, Hebrews 10:22.
5. *That one may rejoice.* Acts 8:38-39, ". . . they both went down into the water . . . and he baptized him . . . and the eunuch . . . went on his way rejoicing".
6. *To get into Christ'* Galatians 3:27, "as many . . . as were baptized into Christ did put on Christ."
7. *To get into Christ's death.* Romans 6:3, We "were baptized into His death."
8. *To be raised with Christ.* Colossians 2:12, "having been buried with him in baptism, wherein ye were also raised with him."
9. *To walk in newness of life.* Romans 6:4, "We were buried . . . with him through baptism . . . that like as Christ was raised from the dead . . . so we also might walk in newness of life".
10. *"Be baptized and wash away thy sins".* Acts 22:16. Jesus' blood washes away sins, when we are baptized.
11. *"Baptism doth also now save us".* 1 Peter 3:21. Have you been baptized?

I Believe in the baptism preached on Pentecost: (Acts 2:36-47)



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 2:37-388).

#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.”**

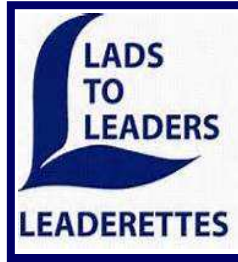
#2) Baptism is for _____. **Baptism is commanded of every _____ believer.**

#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 _____.



We will be traveling to Louisville this Thursday. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel. As I have said in the past I am very proud of all of the students from Camden Avenue. They have continued their growth through the many activities associated with Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes. This has not been accomplished by themselves. This great opportunity for our kids would not be possible without all of the support from the congregation. I would also like to recognize the many event coordinators and the hard work they do to make this all possible. This week I will finish recognizing our kids and all they have done.

Thank You. Todd Kirk

Malorie Fleak

Keepers

Hayden Moser

Bible Bowl Test

Bible Bowl Team

Debate

Know the Books

GUARD

Speech

Jordan Kirk

Bible Bowl Test

Bible Bowl Team

Good Samaritan

Group Scrapbook

Songs of Praise Winner Circle

Speech - Winner Circle

Group banner

Keepers

Brenden Smith

Know the Books

Good Samaritan

Song Leading - Winner Circle

Madison Taberner

Hostess Volunteer

Art Says It - Photography

Bible Bowl Test

Bible Bowl Team

Year Round Bible Reading/Study

Know the Books

Good Samaritan

Group Scrapbook

Second Language

Songs of Praise - Winner Circle

Year Round Songs of Praise

Group Banner

Keepers

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- LLL Showcase today at 4:30 in the MP Room. Everyone is encouraged to view the projects and support the students.
 - Items are needed for the LLL picnic. Sheet is on the counter.
 - If you would like to make a monetary donation to help with the cost of sending students to the LLL convention, please see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.

Youth Events

We will be providing transportation for our youth to worship at the Hopewell congregation this evening as part of the Traveling Youth Group.

Meet in the parking lot foyer (Door 6) at 5:30 (or after the LLL showcase).

Please sign sheet on the counter if you plan to go so Paul Saunders can arrange transportation.

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- LLL Showcase today at 4:30 in MP Room. Come support the students!
 - Sheet on the counter for items needed for LLL picnic. Items need to be left in the parking lot foyer by this Wednesday.

Pray for our LLL group.

They leave Thursday morning for the convention in Louisville, KY and will return Sunday.



Jim and Linda Bailey are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Their three daughters will be hosting a “come and go” reception today from 2:00-4:00PM at the Grand Central Church of Christ Fellowship Hall.

Jim will proudly show you the exact spot where they were married 50 years ago.

Your presence is requested and will be their gift.

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

A boy once told this story: As a youth, I squirmed through many a worship service. One particular Sunday there was an added distraction. As the preacher got up, a cricket walked out onto the platform. Everyone in the first three rows saw the cricket. Our eyes followed his every step. I didn't know if the sermon was any good that day, but the cricket was sure fun to watch.

Then the invitation song began and to my amazement, my Dad had gone forward! He wasn't a Christian and my mom and I had been trying for years to get him to come to church with us, to no avail until that day.

“Dad,” I asked later. “What made you want to be baptized today?” My Dad said, “Didn't you hear how Jesus gave His life for us so that we could be saved?” I hung my head in shame. The beautiful message of the Bible did not reach me that day. I was watching a cricket.

Just like this boy, a lot of things will tend to distract a person from worshipping God. But he learned a great lesson. God is more important than anything!

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, April 5

ELDER IN CHARGE—Bill Mills
DEACON IN CHARGE— Bill Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM—John Life
PM—Jim Galloway

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Steve Moser
Close—Chris Hofmann
6:00 PM—Bill Hoover
Close—Leon Hupp

SCRIPTURE

AM—Doug Hershman
PM—Jon Hescht

COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Dwain Shears
PM—Paul Inman
 Kyle Inman

PA SYSTEM—Steve Gray

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1—Bill Davis
 2—Cody Hoover
 4—Carolyn Davis

PM

1. Chris & Patty Mullins
2. John & Linda Hall
3. Todd & Annette Kirk
4. Jay & Nina Cheuvront
5. Don & Sheri Gaston
6. Dave & Carla Wadlington

Facts and Figures

March 22, 2015

AM Service.....305
Bible Study.....227
PM Service.....220
Wednesday.....228
Contribution.....\$6682.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015

Baptisms.....2
Restored or Requested
Prayers.....3
Placed Membership....1

Schedule of Services

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Bible Study..... 7:00PM



AREA GOSPEL MEETINGS/EVENTS

March 29—April 1

Hopewell congregation
Speaker: Tom Miller

April 5—9

Mineral Wells congregation
Speaker: Terry Jones

April 12—19

West Union congregation
Speaker: Andy Robison

April 19—22

North End congregation
Speaker: Phil Sanders

April 26—May 1

Salem congregation
Speaker: Jim Farley

Day of Edification

Saturday, April 11, 10AM—4PM
Chapel Hill congregation

57th Annual Ohio Valley University Lectureship

April 12—15

Highlights: Dr. Kent Brantly was one of the “Ebola Fighters”. Phil Brookman preaches at the Memorial Road congregation in Edmond, OK

Other keynote speakers include Dr. Harold Shank, Chip Pugh, Dr. Robert Solomon, Sixto Rivera, and Mike Johnson.

2015 Stark County Men’s Retreat

April 17—18 (Registration due by April 5.)

(Flyers on bulletin board in the foyers.)



OVU VAN SCHEDULE

3/29—Mike Bayer, Breck Hesselrode

4/1—Delmas Carr

4/5—Kyle Inman, Ron Riddle