

# 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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## Why I Attend the Sunday Evening Services

1. I want to go, and I am wanted.
2. I need to go, and I am needed.
3. I would rather be there than anywhere else.
4. My children are watching me and will follow my example.
5. My soul is strengthened by the teachings.
6. My heart is warmed by the spiritual songs.
7. I am better prepared to meet others in discussion.
8. I hunger and thirst after righteousness.

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

**Deacons:**  
Delmas Carr  
Marion Goldsmith  
Leonard Haid  
Brian Haught  
Doug Hershman  
Rob Hoover  
William Hoover  
Kyle Inman  
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Remember our Sister Carol Vincent in your prayers. She has been released from the hospital in Dayton and is staying at their son, Bob's home for a few days.

**Remember our church family in your prayers.**

Sharon Armstrong, Mary Ann Barclay, Peggy Cowdery, Hazel Cozad, Jim Dailey, Patty Dawson, Chelsea Doonan, Jo Florence, Lillie Fox, Gloria Frazier, Ray Johnson, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell, Eleanor Slingluff, Carol Vincent

**Prayers requested for family and friends:**

Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Gert Barnes, Kelly Boyce, Diane Conrad (Caplinger's neighbor), Treva Daggett, Annette Dearth (Peggy Dearth's daughter-in-law), Bill Hofmann, James Jacobs (Clayton and Verna Huber's grandson), Lisa Osbourne (Steve Moser's sister), Crystal Rich (Daniel Rich's mother), 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)



We wish Dana Slingluff a HAPPY BIRTHDAY tomorrow!  
Dana—Thanks for all you do for each of us. We do appreciate you and pray that you have many more happy, healthy years in the service of our Lord!



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

If you have any questions or would like additional information (i.e. home Bible study, Bible Correspondence Courses, etc.) please let us know.

### **ADULT BIBLE BOWL CLASS**

The adult Bible Bowl class will begin today at 4:30PM in Room 154. We will be studying Ephesians chapter 1. Our Bible Bowl will be September 19.

### **CARE GROUP LEADERS MEETING/ZOO TRIP MEETING**

Care Group leaders are asked to meet this evening after services in Room 112. Those planning to go on the Columbus Zoo trip (June 13) meet this evening after services in Room 109.

### **GRADUATION PICTURES**

Please give graduate's photo to Kimberlee or leave in the office TODAY. They will be printed in an upcoming bulletin. This will include kindergarten, high school and college graduates. Please include graduate's name and school information. Pictures will be returned.

### **ELDER SELECTION GUIDES**

The *Guides to the Selection of Elders* need to be given to one of our Elders today. The guides are available in the foyers and in the front of the auditorium.

### **GOLDEN AGERS AMISH TRIP**

The Golden Agers trip to the Amish country will be Thursday, June 4. Agendas are with the sign-up sheet on the counter.

### **WEDDING SHOWER**

The wedding shower for Sarah Gray and Bret Wilcoxon will be Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00PM in the MP Room. They are registered at Kohl's and Wal-Mart.

### **END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR ICE CREAM PARTY**

Everyone is invited to celebrate the end of the school year with an ice cream party in the MP Room after service June 10. Ice cream items are needed. Sign-up sheet on the counter.

### **LADIES LUNCHEON**

A luncheon is being planned for the ladies Thursday, June 11 at noon. The location is yet to be determined and will be in next week's bulletin.

### **BASEBALL TRIP TICKETS**

Rick Stanley has tickets available for the baseball trip to Cincinnati July 17.

### **POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME COIN BANKS**

Each family is asked to take a coin bank home and fill it over the next 3-4 months. The money raised helps take care of the daily expenses of the children, such as utilities, clothing, educational fees, transportation, church activities costs, recreation allowances, and etc. The banks are available in the front and rear foyers.

#### **Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp (Camp Hervida)**



We have been asked to donate items for church camp.

The list is on the counter.

Items need to be left in the parking lot foyer by June 1.

#### **Daily Bible Reading**

May 31—John 9:1-12, 2 Ki 4-5

June 1—John 9:13-41, 2 Ki 6-7

June 2—John 10:1-21, 2 Ki 8-9

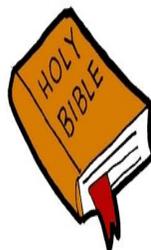
June 3—John 10:22-42, 2 Ki 10-11

June 4—John 11:1-27, 2 Ki 12-14

June 5—John 11:28-57, 2 Ki 15-16

June 6—John 12:1-26, 2 Ki 17

June 7—John 12:27-50, 2 Ki 18-19





## ALL ROADS LEAD TO WHERE?

Perhaps you have had the experience of starting to a certain place, but ended up somewhere else simply because you went in the wrong direction. I once read of a man who intended to go to Detroit, but he mistakenly took a bus instead to Kansas City. When he arrived in the latter city and asked the direction to Woodward Avenue, he could hardly believe his ears when he was told that there is no Woodward Avenue in Kansas City.

Life is full of such experiences. The prodigal son did not start out for the swine pen when he left his father's house. He wanted freedom, happiness, and adventure—all good goals, but he soon found himself feeding swine. His road did not lead to the happiness he desired, but instead, it led to shame and starvation.

When talking to many people about going to heaven, they will say, "I don't think it matters what one believes or where he goes to church, for we are all headed for heaven." Have you ever heard that? The only thing wrong with it is that it is not true. Many people are being deceived into believing that they can go one place while headed in a different direction. The Bible says, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man; but the end thereof are the ways of death." (Proverbs 14:12).

Let us notice some places where all roads do lead.

1. All roads lead to death. Death is no respecter of persons. Eventually all must die, regardless of where we live, how we live, or who we are.
2. All roads lead to the end of all earthly possessions. It matters not how much we possess; when we die, it will all be left behind. We cannot take any of it with us when we leave this world.
3. All roads lead to the end of human organizations. No doubt there are many human organizations that do much good. But when the earth is destroyed by fire, there will not be a one of them that will stand. The only thing that will stand is that which is divine. Jesus said, "Every plant which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up." (Matthew 15:13).
4. All roads will eventually lead to judgment. Some day we must all stand in judgment (2 Corinthians 5:10). Christ will be the judge, and his world will be the standard by which we shall all be judged. (John 12:48).

It is not true that all roads lead to heaven. Jesus tells us that there are two ways—one is the broad way, and the other is the narrow way (Matthew 7:13). One leads up, the other down. Which one are you on?

# Why I believe in the Judgment Day

## (Revelation 20:11-15)



**The Fact of the Judgment Day:** “Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now \_\_\_\_\_ men everywhere to \_\_\_\_\_, because He has appointed a \_\_\_\_\_ on which He will \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ by the Man that He has \_\_\_\_\_. He has given \_\_\_\_\_ of this by \_\_\_\_\_ Him from the dead” (Acts 17:30-31).

### What the Scriptures Reveal about the Judgment Day:

**I. The Judgment will be on an \_\_\_\_\_ Day.**

**II. \_\_\_\_\_ will be our \_\_\_\_\_.** “For we must all \_\_\_\_\_ before the judgment seat of \_\_\_\_\_” (II Cor. 5:10). “And there is no creature \_\_\_\_\_ from His \_\_\_\_\_, but all things are naked and \_\_\_\_\_ to the eyes of Him to whom we must give \_\_\_\_\_” (Hebrews 4:13).

**III. Who will be there? All who have ever \_\_\_\_\_.** “I saw the dead both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ standing before the throne of God” (Revelation 20:12). “When the Son of Man comes in His glory... then He will sit on the \_\_\_\_\_ of His glory. All the \_\_\_\_\_ will be gathered before Him, and He will \_\_\_\_\_ them \_\_\_\_\_ from another” (Matthew 25:31-32).

**IV. What will be the standard? And the \_\_\_\_\_ were opened.**

**#1) The \_\_\_\_\_ of God.** “He who rejects Me and does not receive My \_\_\_\_\_ has one which \_\_\_\_\_ him... the \_\_\_\_\_ that I have spoken the same shall \_\_\_\_\_ him in the \_\_\_\_\_ day” (John 12:48).

**#2) The Book of our \_\_\_\_\_.** “That each one may receive the \_\_\_\_\_ done in the \_\_\_\_\_, according to what he has done whether \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_” (2 Cor. 5:10). “Some men’s \_\_\_\_\_ are clearly evident, \_\_\_\_\_ them into \_\_\_\_\_, but those of some men \_\_\_\_\_ later. Likewise, the \_\_\_\_\_ works of some are clearly evident, and those that are otherwise cannot be \_\_\_\_\_” (I Timothy 5:24-25).

**#3) The \_\_\_\_\_ book of \_\_\_\_\_.** “The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ who are \_\_\_\_\_” (2 Tim. 2:19). “But there shall by no means \_\_\_\_\_ it anything that \_\_\_\_\_, or causes an \_\_\_\_\_ or a lie, but \_\_\_\_\_ those who are \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ Book of Life” (Revelation 21:27). “And anyone \_\_\_\_\_ found \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ was cast into the lake of fire” (Revelation 20:15).

Andy Robison will be speaking this evening for the fifth Sunday evening series “Focus on the Family”.



# Rearing A Generation of Unfaithfulness

*“Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it” (Proverbs 22:6)*

There seems to be an ever-increasing number of unfaithfulness among our young people today. But why? What is it that causes our young people to leave the faith almost immediately after they leave home? We often blame the enticements of the world for the unfaithfulness of our children, and certainly the materialistic world in which we live lures many away from Christ and His church (Luke 15:11). But is pointing the finger at the world the core reason for our youth leaving the faith at an alarming rate? I think not! The problem, more often than not, is us, and until we come to grips with that fact we'll never adequately reverse this trend. Allow me to share with you two things that I believe Christian parents can do to help keep their children faithful long after they've left home.

First, proper instruction in righteousness must be given to a child from their youth up. We must not wait until our children are grown to instruct them in the ways of the Lord. Instruction must begin at an early age and continue throughout their childhood. Paul admonishes Christian fathers to *“bring their children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord”* (Ephesians 6:4). To the Israelite parents God said, *“And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates”* (Deuteronomy 6:7-9). How serious are we, as Christian parents, in instructing and teaching our children the ways of the Lord? How often are your children encouraged to read and study God's Word? How many conversations do you have with your child regarding Christ and the church? How often do you and your children attend Sunday morning Bible class or Wednesday evening Bible study? When is the last time you asked them what they learned in Sunday school? We're rearing a generation of unfaithfulness because we as parents are failing to instruct them as we should. As Hosea so adequately described so long ago, *“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge”* (Hosea 4:6).

Secondly, being involved in your child's life is crucial for their continued obedience. So many parents want their children involved in church, but they themselves shun such activity. What are we teaching our children when we drop them off at church for Sunday morning Bible class, but fail to participate ourselves? What are we saying to our children when we give a hearty amen to the Sunday morning sermon but fail to return to hear the Sunday evening lesson? We want our children attending every night of Vacation Bible School, but we can't attend because we haven't the time. Why are we rearing a generation of unfaithfulness? I'll tell you why—we're doing so because we ourselves are unfaithful—we're not as involved as we should be spiritually!

Do you want to reverse the trend that is crippling the church? Then begin TODAY taking the initiative. You, as a Christian parent, get busy instructing your child in the ways of the Lord, and then get involved in their spiritual life!



We love and appreciate our youth at Camden Avenue!  
You make us proud!

### Traveling Youth Group

We will be providing transportation to the Mineral Wells congregation this evening to worship with the travelling youth group. We will leave here at 5:30.  
The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

### Columbus Zoo Trip

We will be going to the Columbus Zoo Saturday, June 13.  
Sign-up sheet on the counter.

**There will be a meeting this evening after services in Room 109 for those planning to go.**

### 6th–12th Grade Devotional

All 6th-12th graders are invited to a devotional Sunday, June 14 after evening services in the MP Room.

### Ohio Valley Christian Youth Camp

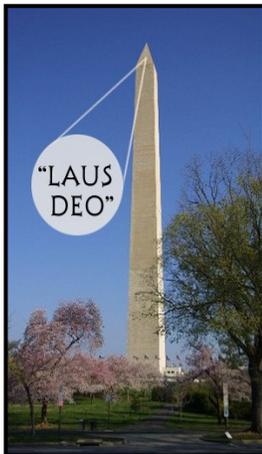
Senior Week (Ages 14-19) June 14-19

Junior Week (Ages 8-11) June 21-26

Intermediate Week (Ages 11-14) June 28-July 3

Registration forms available in the foyers.

## **Minute of Meditation** Heard on 910 AM WLTP



On the aluminum cap, atop the Washington Monument in Washington DC, are displayed two words: “Laus Deo” No one can see these words. In fact, most visitors to the monument are totally unaware the words are even there. “Laus Deo”! Two seemingly insignificant, un-noticed words. Out of sight one might think, and out of mind, but very meaningfully placed at the highest point over what is the most powerful city in the most successful nation in the world. So, what do those two words, in Latin, possibly mean? Very simply, they say “praise be to God”!

You may forget the words “Laus Deo”, or their location, but we pray no one will forget their meaning, or forget these words from the Bible: “unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain.”

(Psalm 127:1) Let us remember to do our part, through prayers and sacrifice, to be the watchmen who stand their guard.

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, June 7

**ELDER IN CHARGE**—Dearll Vincent  
**DEACON IN CHARGE**—Rob Hoover

**SONG LEADERS**

AM—Kyle Inman  
PM—Rick Stanley

**PRAYER**

9:30 AM—Richard Cozad  
Close—Chris Mullins  
6:00 PM—John Life  
Close—Bill Hoover

**SCRIPTURE**

AM—Jim Hinzman  
PM—Kevin Cochran

**COMMUNION TABLE**

AM—Paul Saunders  
PM—Len Haid  
Braden Hesselroad

**PA SYSTEM**—Todd Kirk



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- **OVU WORKSHOP**

June 8–19

Theme: “HEROES OF THE FAITH” - Hebrews 11

**Flyers on the foyer bulletin boards with details.**

**Annual Gospel Quartet Concert And Family Fun Day**

**Saturday, June 6**

Alumni Gymnasium at OVU



Bring a lawn chair and enjoy great gospel music. Games and activities will be provided for the children.

**Informative flyer on the foyer bulletin boards.**

**The Lawn Crew for this week is the Shears crew.**



They include Don Dougherty, Jimmy Galloway, Justin Moore and Dwain Shears.

**Facts and Figures**

May 24, 2015

AM Service.....272

Bible Study.....194

PM Service.....201

Wednesday.....182

Contribution .....\$7360.00

**MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015**

Baptisms.....2

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....3

Placed Membership....1

**MARK THE DATES. . .**

July 5–8 Vacation Bible School

July 17—Baseball Trip

July 18—Church Picnic



**Friday Night Sing**



Transportation will leave Friday at 6:00 for the sing at the Sandyville congregation.

Watch  
**“IN SEARCH OF THE LORD’S WAY”**

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on WTAP, WCWP local Sunday at 7:30AM, Dish Channel 239 Sunday 7:00AM, DIRECT TV channel 307 Sunday 7:00AM, Local cable Channel 4 Sunday 6:30AM, GBN Sunday 7:00PM, Monday 2:00PM, Thursday 5:00PM

**UPCOMING PROGRAM**

June 7  
**INSPIRED**

**Schedule of Services**

**Sunday**

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

**Wednesday**

Bible Study.....7:00PM