

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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FRIENDS DAY—OCTOBER 11

Our FRIENDS DAY is fast approaching in two weeks.

This will be the kick-off of our Gospel Meeting with Brother David Newberry.
Lunch to follow worship and Bible classes.

Invite your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.

Elders:

Pat Barclay
Jim Galloway
Brian Haught
Gary Herridge
Paul Inman
Stan Inman
John Life
Bill Mills
Ron Riddle
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
Dearll Vincent

Deacons:

Delmas Carr
Marion Goldsmith
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
Rob Hoover
Bill Hoover
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
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**The man who
expects to go to
heaven must take
the time to study the
route that will get
him there.**

Health South
Myrtle Metz (Room 223)
Marietta Memorial
Ray Johnson



Our sister Sallie Hinzman had surgery
Thursday at The James Cancer Center at OSU.

Please keep her in your prayers and let's
shower her with cards.
Her address is: 2303 Prunty Street,
Parkersburg, WV 26101.

Remember our church family in your prayers.

Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Jim Dailey, Lillie Fox, Gloria Frazier, Sallie Hinzman,
Ray Johnson, Bill Lemley, Myrtle Metz, Jane Pralley, Jenny Reynolds, Neil Russell,
Carol Vincent

Prayers requested for family and friends:

Betty Adams (Relative of Calvin and Jean Martin), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother),
Rhonda Barclay, Gert Barnes, Delana Blizzard (Harvey & Mary Caplinger's daughter),
Kelly Boyce, Ona Jean Brundy (Eloise Smith's sister), Gary Caplinger (Woody Wagoner's
stepfather), Diane Conrad (Caplinger's neighbor), Treva Daggett, Edna Drillien (Chelsea
Inman's grandmother), Benjamin Dulaney (requested by Linda Monciref), Jim Fitcher,
Bill Haid (Len Haid's brother), Bob Jarell (Brother-in-law of Len Haid), Sue Jones (Teresa
Wade's mother), Anne Kaiser (Jo Langler's sister), Ruby Miller (Ted Miller's mother), 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)

Please call the office to add or update names on the Prayer List.

Norma Fought has suffered a fall. She is now at The Willows (Room 209).
She would enjoy receiving cards.

The address is:

723 Summers Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101



- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful birthday cards. I appreciate you remembering me. **Patty Sayre**
- ♥ Thank you again and again for all the beautiful birthday cards. They made my day. Love, **Valeria Sprout**
- ♥ **Brenda Dougherty** wishes to thank all those who prayed for her stepdad, Jim Nordeck (surgery), and for Steve Hartzler (stage 4 colon cancer, now in remission) who were on the family and friends prayer list. Both are doing well at this time.
- ♥ A special thank you for remembering us on our birthdays with cards and calls. Love, **Jo and Avery Goldsmith**

Thank you to **Alisha Hershman** for preparing the communion bread for
September.

Church News and Announcements

PLACED MEMBERSHIP

We are happy to welcome Brent, Holly and Isabelle West. Their address is: 323 Wood Street, Davisville, WV 26142 Telephone: 304.482.5604 They will be in Care Group 1. Also, we welcome Gene and Peggy Phillips. They will be in Care Group 3.

DEACON'S MEETING

Deacon's meeting today at 5:00.

CARE GROUP LEADERS MEETING

There will be a Care Group Leaders meeting this evening after services in Room 112 .

LOVE AND CARE SING

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

HAI'D'S ANNUAL SOUP BEAN DINNER

Everyone is invited to the Haid's annual Soup Bean Dinner Saturday, October 3 at 4:00. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages. Don't forget your lawn chairs. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

GOLDEN AGERS FALL FOLIAGE DRIVE

Our Golden Agers will be taking a fall foliage drive Tuesday, October 6. Leaving here at 7:00AM and returning around 6:00PM. Lunch at the Sawmill Restaurant in Davis, WV. (\$20 each, includes meal and fuel.) Sign-up sheet and agendas on the counter.

GOSPEL MEETING OCTOBER 11 -14/FRIENDS DAY OCTOBER 11

Our Gospel Meeting with Brother David Newberry will be October 11-14. Sunday, October 11 will also be Friends Day. We will have our Fellowship Lunch following Bible study. Please attend and invite others.

GOLDEN AGERS AMISH COUNTRY TRIP

The Golden Agers Amish country trip will be Tuesday, October 20. We will meet Billy Jacobs at his gallery in Navarre, OH and visit that area (antique shops, etc.) then on to the orchard and stop in Berlin and Walnut Creek. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 4 will be conducting the services at Love and Care Sunday, October 25 at 2:30 and Thursday, October 29 at 7:00PM and invites everyone.

See Page 7 for a list of October youth events.

Daily Bible Reading

September 27—2 Corinthians 12, Ecclesiastes 1-3
September 28—2 Corinthians 13, Ecclesiastes 4-6
September 29—Galatians 1, Ecclesiastes 7-9
September 30—Galatians 2, Ecclesiastes 10-12
October 1—Galatians 3, Song of Solomon 1-4
October 2—Galatians 4, Song of Solomon 5-8
October 3—Galatians 5, Isaiah 1-2
October 4—Galatians 6, Isaiah 3-6





DANA'S DIRECTION

“How to have a successful Gospel Meeting”

Our Fall Meeting with David Newberry begins in just two weeks! For years I have been hearing that Gospel Meetings are no longer affective. Many congregations, in fact, have stopped having them at all. I will admit that it may take more work to have a successful gospel meeting than it once did. People are busier than ever, and the competition for their time is great. But, the fact remains that when the gospel is preached, souls will be saved. That is, of course, if we get them here! What is required of us? What can each of us do so that our meeting will help lead someone to Christ?

PURPOSE: A Gospel Meeting serves several purposes. All of us will benefit from the worship, fellowship, and Bible study. The primary goal of our meeting, however, is to evangelize. A meeting provides us with a convenient opportunity to invite our friends, neighbors, family members and others to hear a message that can save their soul! (Romans 1:16) It also makes it possible for us to do the work that the Lord would have us to do – and to bear fruit for Him.

PREPARATION: I know that Brother David has been looking forward for this opportunity for some time. His topics have been announced and his lessons are prepared. Now, what are we doing to prepare. In addition to inviting others (by sending cards, making phone calls, etc.) have you been praying for the success of this meeting?

PRESENCE: Have you cleared your calendar of anything that would hinder you from being here for every service? If all of us attend each night, and invite others, we can fill our building!

PARTICIPATION: It has been said, that you (our members) are the first sermon that people hear when they visit our services. Hopefully, we will all be gracious hosts. Arrive early so you can warmly greet all of our guests. Be prepared to answer questions and give assistance. Set the tone by entering into worship with enthusiasm. Sing! Use your Bible to follow the lesson. The first impression that people will have of the Camden Avenue Church of Christ will be the one they gain by observing us!

PRESENTATION: We have hearing a lot on the news lately about some of the common fare of many churches. We need to reassure people that when they come to our meeting, they will not hear about politics, social issues, or psychology. David is coming for one purpose – to preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified! (I Corinthians 2:2) We are not coming to be entertained – but to enter in to worship that is in Spirit and in truth. (John 4:24) Many of our guests will see for the first time how simple and significant New Testament worship really is.

PRAYER: Even after we have purposed, planned, prepared, are present and participate in our Gospel Meeting, we have not done all that we can do. We must put things into God's hands through prayer. We need to pray for success in our efforts to invite, for open hearts and minds of those who come, for the ability of our speaker to present the message, and for souls to be won.

Have we done all that we can do to make this Gospel Meeting a success?

Forgetting the Past ... Press On! (Philippians 3:12-16)



Many are unhappy because they have not resolved their _____. Many have regret over past sin. “The wicked are like the _____ sea, when it cannot _____, whose waters cast up mire and dirt... there is no _____ says my God, for the _____” (Isaiah 57:20-21). **Others bear the burden of past disappointment or injury. We must learn to live _____ day at a _____.** “Therefore do not _____ about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. _____ for the day is its own _____” (Matthew 6:34).

The apostle Paul struggled with the past. He struggled to live the Christian life. “For the _____ that I will to do, I do _____ do; but the _____ that I will not to do, that I _____” (Romans 7:19). “But I _____ my body and bring it under _____, lest when I have preached to others, I myself should become _____” (I Corinthians 9:27).

Four things needed to run the Christian life successfully:

- #1) **Ambition:** “Not that I have already _____, or am already _____” (Philippians 3:12).
- #2) **Determination:** “I _____ on” (Philippians 3:12)
- #3) **Focus:** “_____ thing I do” (3:13).
- #4) **Direction:** “_____ those things which are _____ and reaching _____ to those things which are _____. I press toward the _____ for the _____ of the upward call of _____ in _____” (Philippians 4:13,14).

Mature Christian thinking: “Therefore let us, as many as are _____, have this _____” (Philippians 3:15).

We must not look back. “No one, having put his hand to the _____ and looking _____ is _____ for the Kingdom of God” (Luke 9:62). “Remember Lot’s _____” (Luke 17:32). “Forgetting those things which are _____ and _____ forward to those which are _____” (Philippians 3:13).

Getting past our failings and sin. We must _____ and receive God’s _____. “Repent and let everyone of you be _____ in the name of Jesus Christ for the _____ of your sins” (Acts 2:38). “For I will be _____ to their unrighteousness, and their _____ and lawless deeds I will _____ no more” (Hebrews 8:12). **God’s _____ gives us a new life.** “Repent therefore and be _____, that your _____ may be blotted out, so that times of -- _____ may come from the presence of the Lord” (Acts 3:19). “If we _____ our sins he is faithful and just to _____ us” (I John 1:9).

Getting past offenses. We must let _____. We must give _____. “For if you _____ men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father will also _____ you. But if you do not _____ men their trespasses _____ will your Father forgive _____ trespasses” (Matthew 6:14-15). **Getting past disappointment. Sometimes we must forgive _____; accept what we cannot _____ and go on.**

GOD'S PROMISE

Maybe you've had your credit card declined, your help refused, or your feelings ignored. There's a chance you've had your advice shot down, your contributions unrecognized or your work unrewarded. But there's one thing you've never been, **you've never been rejected by Jesus**. In fact, before you were born, God wanted you. And now that you're here, He can't get enough of you.

Have you gotten a pink slip from your employer or been brushed off by a neighbor? Were you scorned by a teacher or compared to a brother?

You've endured much and will endure much more, but because of Christ, there's one thing you will never have to feel—God's rejection. (Isaiah 41:9-10) Christ is an unconditional includer. He promises to remain devoted to you no matter what anyone else says, does or thinks.

Can you do the same for Him?

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Life Chain 2015

22nd Annual WOOD COUNTY LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 4, 2015

2:00—3:00PM

We will stand in front of Sam's Club on Grand Central Avenue in Vienna.

Please join us!

The Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans for one hour praying for the nation to end abortion.

OCTOBER YOUTH EVENTS

10/14	Trunk or Treat after PM service
10/17	4:00PM—Youth Hotdog Roast—Devotional at home of Marion and Jo Goldsmith
10/18	6th-12th Grade devo. in MP Room after PM services
10/24	4:00PM—Youth Event at Lower Paw Paw
10/25	Traveling Youth Group at Waverly congregation
10/31	Rake and Run



More details will be available for these events.



Our youth will be joining the traveling youth group at the Lower Paw Paw congregation this evening with transportation leaving here at 5:45. Let Jeff Taberner know if you plan to go.

The Annual Youth Hotdog Roast and Devotional at the home of Marion and Jo Goldsmith will be **Saturday, October 17** at 4:00.

Please bring items to go with hotdogs, chips, desserts and beverages. Also, bring lawn chairs.



Minute of Meditation Heard on 910 AM WLTP

I heard about a little three-year old girl who hates football! When asked why she hates football she said, “All Daddy says is Carly, be quiet so I can hear the game,” and “Carly, get out of my way so I can see the game” and “Carly, go upstairs and leave me alone so I can see my football game.”

You know, the best thing dads and moms can give our children is ourselves. And that means presence, time, and attention. It means letting them know their value by looking them in the eyes, playing their games, and getting into their world. It also means setting priorities and sometimes giving up a big-screen play for a real-life hug, a committee meeting for a recital, or a new novel for an old Golden book.

To believe they are valuable to God, children must know they matter to their own flesh-and-blood parents. We must keep our hearts, laps, and arms open to our kids. Otherwise, they could wind up hating sports, or planes, or God on account of us.

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, October 4

ELDER IN CHARGE—Pat Barclay
DEACON IN CHARGE—Doug Hershman

SONG LEADERS

AM—Breck Hesselrode

PM—Scott Smith

PRAYER

9:30 AM—Dwain Shears

Close—Brian Knotts

6:00 PM—Richard Cozad

Close—Barry Mills

SCRIPTURE

AM—Dearll Vincent

PM—Ryan Logston

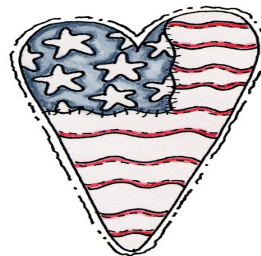
COMMUNION TABLE

AM—Patrick Rlne

PM—Don Dougherty

Ben Haught

PA SYSTEM—Jim Galloway



True patriotism acknowledges the law of God
in national affairs.

It is not by accident that our coins tell the
world; "In God We Trust".

However: "In God We Trust" on our coins
means nothing unless... in **GOD WE TRUST!**

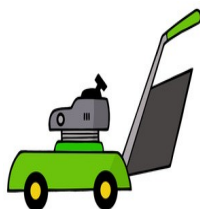
Bulletin Digest



Happy 92nd Birthday to
Gilbert Hardman today!

The Lawn Crew for this
week is the Kirk crew.

They include
Delmas Carr,
Bill Hoover,
Barry Hupp and
Todd Kirk.



Facts and Figures

September 20, 2015

AM Service.....287

Bible Study.....208

PM Service.....240

Wednesday.....215

Contribution\$7008.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015

Baptisms.....6

Restored or Requested

Prayers.....4

Placed Membership....7

OHIO VALLEY UNIVERSITY VAN SCHEDULE

Date	AM	PM	Wednesday PM
9/27	Barry Mills	Mike Bayer	Jeff Taberner
10/4	Barry Mills	Steve Moser	Delmas Carr

Schedule of Services

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study.....11:00

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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 TOPIC

October 4

HEARING THE GOSPEL

Friday Night Sing



The sing will be at the
Rosemar congregation Friday
at 7:00PM.