

Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.

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Monday Night for the Master

**Monday Night For The Master will meet
tomorrow evening in the MP Room.**

5:45 dinner and 6:30 devotional - work assignments

Please bring entrees, covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

Sign-up sheet is on the counter for attendance count.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Elders:

Pat Barclay
Jim Galloway
Stan Inman
John Life
Ron Riddle
Paul Saunders
Dwain Shears
Dearll Vincent

Deacons:

Kevin Cochran
Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
Jon Hescht
Bill Hoover
Rob Hoover
Kevin Inman
Kyle Inman
Scott Johnson
Todd Kirk
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You must be
the change you
wish to see in
the world.



**Nothing says love quite like mentioning
someone in your prayers.**

Our church family in need of prayers.

Russ Alton, Sharon Armstrong, Colleen Ash, Pat Barclay, Harvey Caplinger Sr,
Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Mary Edwards, Jim Henry,
Phyllis Johnson, Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief,
Debby Nesselroad, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Lenore Vaught

Prayers requested for family and friends

Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce, Eli Clark, Casey Freeman (Don and Brenda
Dougherty's friend), Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Malissa Hackathorn
(Jerry and Shelly Todd's friend), Tony Haid, Jean Huber (Clayton's mother),
Judy Ramsey (Rick Stanley's sister), Ron Richards (Courtney Richards'
father-in-law), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and
Patty Sayre's daughter), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece)



We extend our sympathy to Rick and Kay Stanley in the
passing of Kay's uncle, Donald Westbrook.
His service was Thursday in Belmont, WV.

Remember them in your prayers.



- ♥ We appreciate each and every card and sweet note for our 30th Anniversary. With love, **Dwain and Kimberlee**
- ♥ Thanks so much to the people who came to the funeral home for my brother and all the beautiful sympathy cards and all the nice words said to me. That was really nice. Love to all, **Donna McConnell**
- ♥ **Colleen Ash** thanks everyone for the beautiful birthday cards.
- ♥ Kyle thanks everyone that worked at the Parkersburg Half-Marathon water stop last Saturday.

Thank you to **Tammy Kerns** for preparing the communion bread this month.

Feed Your Faith and your fears will starve to death



MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening. We will have a potluck dinner at 5:45 in the MP Room. Bring main dish entrees, covered dish items, desserts and beverages. Devotional and job assignments will begin at 6:30. Sign-up sheet on the counter for attendance count.

LOVE AND CARE SING

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

TEACHER'S MEETING

All Bible class teachers are asked to meet next Sunday in Room 109 following Bible study.

SCHOOL CLOTHES GIVE-AWAY

The School Clothes Give-Away will be September 4 and 6 in the MP Room. See Page 7 for more details.

5TH GRADE AND UNDER ACTIVITY

Our 5th grade and younger children and families will have a camping trip at North Bend State Park September 21. Everyone is welcome to join in! The sign-up sheet is on the counter. Mark would like to meet this evening after services in Room 109 to answer any questions and prepare for the campout.

BIBLE BOWL/SCORE KEEPERS

Our 32nd annual Bible Bowl will be September 15 and will cover the book of Exodus, NKJV. (1st-6th grade cover the first 20 chapters of Exodus.) Registration begins at 9:00AM. Feel free to come support the teams. If you would like to be a score keeper, see Rick Stanley.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Our college students information will be included in an upcoming bulletin. If you would like to be included (or would like your child to be included) submit to the church office the following: student's name, school information and/or address.

A special THANK YOU to Cheryl Logston for her work with the 1st-6th grade Wednesday evening Bible study. She did a great job with the material and "went the extra mile."

SUMMER SERIES



Our Summer Series will conclude this Wednesday evening.

Speaker: Terry Townsend

Topic: A Home In Heaven

Please join us at 7:00!



Forwarding
All
Issues
To
Heaven

Daily Bible Reading

August 26 - Romans 16, Psalms 75-77
August 27 - 1 Corinthians 1, Psalms 78-79
August 28 - 1 Corinthians 2, Psalms 80-84
August 29 - 1 Corinthians 3, Psalms 85-88
August 30 - 1 Corinthians 4, Psalms 89-90
August 31 - 1 Corinthians 5, Psalms 91-94
September 1 - 1 Corinthians 6, Psalms 95-101
September 2 - 1 Corinthians 7:1-24, Psalms 102-103



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Great Volunteerism

I challenge you to read the book of Acts and notice that much of the Lord's work was done by Christians who volunteered their time and effort. One would also notice that very few were paid for their labors. Such is the case today; for the church to function as it should it needs great volunteers. Yes, some people will be paid so they can devote much more of their time to spreading the Gospel and building up the Kingdom, but the church still needs Christians to be great volunteers. Romans 12:3-8 even instructs each Christian to do their part in the Body of Christ.

Volunteering for the church is good for one's spiritual benefit. We not only accomplish the work of God, but it helps us draw closer to one another and encourages the spread of the Gospel of Jesus.

But did you know that volunteering is also good for one's physical wellbeing?

"For reasons that science and medicine do not even understand as yet, it appears that those who give of their time and energy to assist others, on a volunteer basis and with no expected reward, seem to suffer from far less stress and depression in their lives while enjoying many more invigorating moments of self-satisfaction, pride, and a greater capacity for work, along with peace and contentment.

Also, anyone fueled by these positive life charges will rarely suffer through the negative jolts of self-pity, hopelessness, and failure that always cause so much damage to anyone's immune system. What is so amazing is that several of the bright minds currently researching this whole area of longevity have come to believe that while we are in the process of helping others unselfishly, our body seems to release pain-relieving chemicals called endorphins, which athletes identify as the element that produces a "runner's high" (taken from Og Mandino, *The Return of the Ragpicker*, 44-45).

What a great benefit for the church to know that when we volunteer whether that be teaching a Bible class, preparing a meal, buying someone's groceries, doing some repairs around the church building, conducting a Bible study, or sending a card of encouragement that it is not just benefiting us spiritually but also physically.

No wonder 1 Cor. 15:58 states, "Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain."

Tomorrow night each one of us can experience the spiritual and physical benefits of volunteering at Monday Night for the Master. We will have a potluck dinner at 5:45 p.m. (Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish, dessert, or drinks). Then at 6:30 p.m. we will have a devotional. After the devotional, we will be dismissed to our assignments which will be opportunities to volunteer to do visitation, work around the building, send cards, work with Bible Correspondence Courses, and Bible class teachers can work in their classes rooms. I hope to see each one of you here tomorrow night; it will do you good both spiritually and physically!

Written by: Mark T. Tonkery

Where does the Church fit into the World?

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-6

I. We are to be a _____ church. 1 Tim. 2:1-3

A. How we are to _____?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

B. Who we are to _____ for?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

C. Why should we _____?

1. We pray so we may lead _____ and _____ lives.
2. We pray we may live _____ lives.
3. We pray so we may be _____ in every way.

II. We are to be an _____ church.

A. God desires _____ people to be _____.

B. God desires all people to come to _____ of the _____.

1. There is _____ God.
2. There is one _____, Christ Jesus.
3. Jesus gave himself as a _____ for _____.

Finally,

A. *Someone has said, "If God's people do not pray for people in authority, wars close mission fields, officials do not grant needed visas, and the work of the Lord suffers."*



Sunday evening Sermon: *Make me a Servant*

Scripture Reading: Matthew 20:25-28



When we consider someone to invite to worship or to engage in a conversation about their spiritual condition, do we ever think they wouldn't be interested because of what they do, where they are living, what they wear, or how they act? Sometimes we make judgments about one's interest in spiritual matters based on these things. However, we can find examples in the Bible of outward appearances and shallow observations that can be wrong.

We can look at Cornelius in Acts 10 who, based on his outward appearance, might not be someone you would approach to discuss his spiritual condition. But Cornelius was sincerely interested in spiritual things.

We can read in Matthew 21:31-32 about tax collectors who were despised and grouped with harlots. Yet in Luke 19:1-10, we read that Jesus chose a chief tax collector name Zacchaeus to ask to abide in his home. We learn from his conversation with Jesus that it was his practice to give half of his income to the poor and he would repay someone fourfold if he had overcharged a person. He attained salvation and became a loyal follower of Christ.

Another example of considering people's outward actions and trying to judge the hearts of people can be found in Luke 18:9-14 with the Pharisee and the tax collector. The person who outwardly appeared religious was not the one Christ said was justified. Again, it was the unlikely tax collector.

We must not judge people by the way they look, their lifestyle, or even judge their hearts. We must simply approach people because of our love for the Lord and our love for lost souls. We cannot and must not overlook even ONE SOUL. Let us realize that THINKING SOULS is not a program or a campaign, but a way of Christian living. It must be our way of looking at the lost all around us. We need truly see ALL souls that will live eternally in either heaven or hell. Let us pray and work daily that we may reach the lost.

Bulletin Digest

Thank you to everyone who helped with the OVU Expo. We passed out over 100 invitations to our worship services and treats for the college students. Special thank you to Don and Mary Nesselroad, Judy and Leon Hupp, Ron and Peggy Riddle, and Laura Tonkery for donating the cookies and treats. Thank you also to Jeff Taberner, Ron Riddle, Laura, Breanna, and Samantha Tonkery for greeting the students at OVU.

Thank you, Mark T.



Michael Fleak has joined Premier Bank as Commercial and Small Business Development Manager. He will be based in the bank's Mineral Wells office.

Mike joins Premier Bank from Huntington Bank, where he was the SBA Product Specialist for West Virginia. He began his banking career in 1991 with the Bank of Gassaway (Premier Bank). He graduated from Fairmont State College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Banking, with a minor in Real Estate.

Congratulations, Mike!



Terry Hofmann is requesting help with the **School Clothes Give-Away.**

- 1.) Help is needed sorting and organizing items tomorrow 9:00AM-3:00PM (or when finished) in the MP Room.
- 2.) Help is needed at the School Clothes Give-away Tuesday, September 4 and Thursday, September 6 4:00-6:00PM.

Sign-up sheets are in the foyer.

If you have donations, please see Terry. Monetary donations may be given to her or one of the Elders.

Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP



A man was looking for a gardener, and he was accepting applications for the position. Attached to one application was a letter of recommendation. The man became very interested as he read the letter which told about the talents of this applicant. The letter said that this person had the greenest thumb of anyone around. He could make the plants grow, eliminate weeds, he could trim the hedges to perfection. When the man got to the end of the first page he turned it over and on the other side were written three simple words, but he won't.

That is not much of a recommendation, is it? Who wants to hire someone who can do many great things, but will not do any of them?

Question: What would God's letter of recommendation say about us?

Can do all things through the strength I give them. They can lead hundreds of people to salvation, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and encourage the downtrodden. But they won't.

Jas 1:22, "But be doers of the word, and not hearers..."

I am Mark T. Tonkery with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.

Opportunities To Serve Sunday, September 2

ELDER IN CHARGE - Dwain Shears
DEACON IN CHARGE - Keith Smith

SONG LEADERS

AM - Ben Haught
PM - Brian Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ryan Highman
Close - John Life
6:00 PM - Delmas Carr
Close - Stan Inman

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ron Riddle
PM - Scott Johnson

COMMUNION

AM - Jimmy Galloway
PM - Patrick Rine
Bill Merrill

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Cotton Sayre
2 - Patty Sayre
3 - Dearll Vincent

PM

1. Jim & Sallie Hinzman
2. Don & Brenda Dougherty
- * Doors 3 and 4 - Unattended *
5. Rick & Kay Stanley
6. Keith & Eloise Smith



The Bible Speaks

I am the Bible, God's wonderful Library.
I am always - and above all - the truth.
To the weary pilgrim, I am a strong staff.
To the one who sits in darkness, I am glorious light.
To those who stumble beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest.
To him who has lost his way, I am a safe guide,
To those who are sick in sin, I am healing strength and forgiveness.
To those who are tossed about by the storm of life, I am a steadfast anchor.
To those who search for salvation, I reveal the Savior of the world.
I am the Bible, God's wonderful gift to mankind.

Bulletin Digest



Congratulations to Don and Mary Nesselroad
on their

60th Wedding Anniversary

August 22!

Don and Mary are always ready to lend a hand, provide food and goodies, birthday cards and gifts...and so much more!
Thank you to Don & Mary for your generosity and kindness!
We love and appreciate them for their Christian example!

Facts and Figures

August 19, 2018

AM Service.....283
Bible Study.....185
PM Service.....206
Wednesday.....193
Contribution.....\$8078.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018

Baptisms.....0
Restored or Requested Prayers.....3
Placed Membership.....3

Services Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Study...15 min. after worship
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM

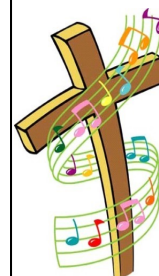


Watch

"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"

each Sunday morning at 7:30 on
WTAP, 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.

Friday Night Sing



Transportation will leave Friday at 6:15 for the sing at the Kaiser and Douglas congregation in Ravenswood.

Everyone is encouraged to attend!