

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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Science says we need at least four basic elements
to survive.

1. Water
2. Air
3. Food
4. Light

Look at what the Bible tells us about Jesus

1. I am the Living Water.
2. I am the Breath of Life.
3. I am the Bread of Life.
4. I am the Light of the World.

Science was right. We need Jesus to survive.

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
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God can heal a broken heart. But you need to give Him all the pieces.



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, Dennis Keller, Nancy Kimes, Todd Kirk, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Mary Nesselroad, Gene & Peggy Phillips, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Valeria Sprout, 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), Sue Nelson (Chris Hofmann's aunt), Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), Leonard Shears, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Angel White (Eloise Smith's niece)

Remember to pray for those affected by the hurricane.

God's
Love
Never
Fails

- ♥ **Don and Brenda Dougherty** wish to thank all those who sent anniversary and birthday cards to them. They enjoyed each one
- ♥ We would like to thank our church family for the fantastic turnout for Mom's birthday party. Also, Ron and Linda Moncrief for giving her a ride in a 99 year old car. That was really something special! We are also thankful for all the cards she received. She has over 80 and is still receiving them. Your generosity made this a birthday to remember. **Paul and Nancy and Ruth Wells**
- ♥ Thanks to all who sent me the beautiful birthday cards. I appreciated each one very much. **Eloise Smith**

Check out the great job Jo Goldsmith and Annette Kirk did decorating the bulletin boards for the fall season. They look so nice and are very inspirational.



MEETINGS TODAY

Elders, Deacons, Preacher meeting today at 4:00 with Men's meeting 5:00

NORTH BEND CAMPING ACTIVITY

Mark and his family invite everyone to a campout this Friday at North Bend State Park. Dinner at 6:30. Everyone is welcome! The sign-up sheet is on the counter.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet again September 24 in the MP Room. 5:45 for dinner and 6:30 devotional and work assignments. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for food items and attendance count.

LOVE AND CARE SERVICES

Care Group 3 will conduct the services at Love and Care Sunday, September 30 at 2:30PM and Thursday, October 4 at 7:00PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

HAID'S SOUP BEAN DINNER

Len and Susan Haid invite everyone to the annual Bean Dinner at their cabin Saturday, October 20 at 4:30. Sign-up sheet is on the counter for attendance count. Please bring items to go with soup beans and hamburgers also, desserts and beverages. Don't forget your lawn chairs!

NOTE FROM TERRY HOFMANN

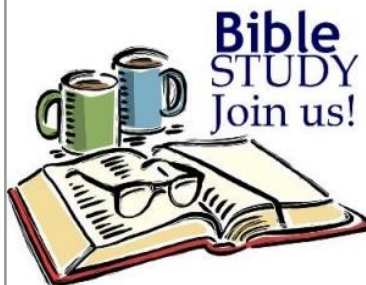
I want to thank EVERYONE who was involved with the clothing giveaway. There were about 175 people who came through that we helped from our community. I would really like to thank all the people who came and helped organize clothes and set up the tables and worked the evenings that people came through. And also the people who donated clothing items and plastic bags. This was a good work for our congregation and a good out-reach and help for our Community.

THANK YOU ALL!!

Daily Bible Reading

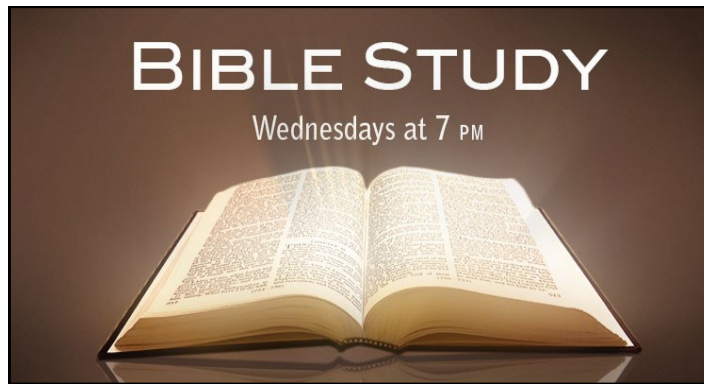
September 16 - 2 Corinthians 1, Proverbs 7-8
September 17 - 2 Corinthians 2, Proverbs 9-11
September 18 - 2 Corinthians 3, Proverbs 12-13
September 19 - 2 Corinthians 4, Proverbs 14-15
September 20 - 2 Corinthians 5, Proverbs 16-17
September 21 - 2 Corinthians 6, Proverbs 18-19
September 22 - 2 Corinthians 7, Proverbs 20-21
September 23 - 2 Corinthians 8, Proverbs 22-23

Please join us for Bible study.



We have classes for all ages, cradle roll through adult each Sunday following worship at 11:00 and Wednesday evenings at 7:00.

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery



Christ is Coming Back!

“Life with no end? Space with no bounds? And what about Armageddon, the lake of fire, the mark of the beast? Am I supposed to feel good about all this? If these words could be yours, you aren’t alone. There is much about the end of history we don’t understand. But while thoughts on this final day will stir our questions – they needn’t stir our fears regarding that day, Jesus urged, “Don’t let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust in me” (John 14:1). (Taken from a book entitled When Christ Comes).

This Wednesday evening, I will be teaching a series of lessons on the Second Coming of Christ downstairs in the MP room. Many people have many opinions on this topic, and many more people have concerns about Christ’s Second coming but do not know where to turn. Some people will rush out to the local bookstore and buy the first book they find concerning Christ’s Second coming, which often leads to more confusion.

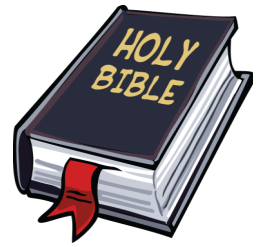
The Bible states we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad (2 Cor. 5:10).

Some think they’re going to be able to miss that day. John Bunyan once said, “When wicked persons have gone on in a course of sin, and find they have reason to fear the just judgment of God for their sins, they begin at first to wish that there were no God to punish them. Then, by degrees they persuade themselves that there is none. And then they set themselves to study for arguments to back their opinion.”

This Wednesday bring your Bible and follow along as we see what the scriptures have to say about the second coming of Christ. Each week we will study a different aspect of Christ’s Second Coming that people have questions about, I hope that you will make plans to be here and that you will invite your friends to this great study of Scripture. See you there! Mark T. Tonkery

God of all Creation

Scripture Reading: Acts 4:23-31



God is –

I. God of all _____

A. Acts 4:24, “And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, “_____ Lord, who _____ the _____ and the _____ and the sea and _____ in them,”

B. _____

II. God of _____

A. Acts 4:25-26, “who through the _____ of our father _____, your servant, said by the _____, ““Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed’—

B. 2 Tim 3:16-17, _____ Scripture is breathed out by _____ and profitable for _____, for reproof, for correction, and for training in _____, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

C. _____

III. God of _____

A. Acts 4: 27-28, “for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom _____ anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, to do whatever _____ hand and _____ plan had _____ to take place.”

B. _____

IV. Because this is true:

A. We must _____ Acts 4:31.

B. We must allow God _____ Acts 4:30.

C. We must preach the _____ Acts 4:29;31.



At the Lord's Table, each Sunday, comments are made to prepare our minds for the eating of the Lord's Supper. The comments presented at the table most often remind us of the suffering of Jesus, before He was hung on the cross and as He hung on the cross, per Isaiah 53 and the gospels.

Paul in 1 Corinthians 11 reminds the brethren just how important the Supper is and how we differentiate it from a common meal, 11:17-22, 34. We are to be prepared to eat it with the right heart which requires the proper preparation, he further explains. In addition, Paul explains, we must have the right relationship with our brethren, 11:27-34. To assist in obtaining the right frame of mind we ask one of our brothers to speak to the events that bring us together as a family to share Christ offering.

Let's take a closer look at the gift that we are to remember. First, Jesus met with the Apostles to eat the Passover. He was fulfilling the law that was in affect during His lifetime. Upon completion of that meal He required a new meal be begun among His followers, Luke 22:19-20. It was to be comprised of bread and fruit of the vine. Bread to remember His body. Fruit of the vine to remember His Blood. Paul explains, in, the difference between eating to satisfy hunger and eating to remember Jesus, 1 Cor. 11:24-26.

The Hebrew writer, 7:26-27 explains that Jesus was our Sacrificial Lamb to carry away our sins. Sacrifices were made on an altar throughout history. The table around which we gather can remind us of the altar on which Jesus body would have lain just as Abraham placed Isaac on an altar. God, Abraham explained to Isaac, would provide the sacrificial offering. God provided a ram in Isaac's place and God provided Jesus in our place. On our table, the altar, is the body of Christ, represented by the bread; and the blood represented by the fruit of the vine.

As we partake of the bread and the fruit of the vine we are reminded of not only the death of Christ on the Cross but of His burial in a tomb where His body was laid on a slab of rock. Now, we can see the table as the burial place where He was covered in spices and wrapped in linen. When the bread and fruit of the vine are ingested we see that the tomb is empty and Jesus has risen.

Now, we see that on that day when Jesus celebrated the Passover and gave us the Lord's Supper for our remembrance, he gave a celebration of Victory over death (the punishment for sin) to those who follow him with their whole heart. The table is a table of celebration for God's people.

The table then helps us remember not only His last meal, His sacrifice, His burial; but the Victory Celebration with His family coming together as one, as he prayed in John 17:22-23, "*...that they may be one just as We are one: ²³ I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one...*".

October Birthdays/Anniversaries

October 1 - Linda Camp, Kyle Inman
October 2 - Ryan Highman
October 5 - Sharon Armstrong, Emma Johnson, Todd Kirk
October 8 - Ashley Ware, Megan Ware
October 9 - Sami Tonkery
October 10 - Brandon Sheppard
October 11 - Km Barclay, *Kevin and Amanda Cochran
October 12 - Peggy Cowdery
October 16 - *Earl and Donna McConnell
October 18 - *Bill and Rosemary Merrill
October 20 - Mary Lemley
October 21 - Susan Haid, Earl McConnell, Myrtle Metz
October 22 - Kassi Adkins, Mike Bayer, Walter Morgan, Lily Sprout, *Rob and Kathy Hoover
October 23 - Sue VanCamp
October 24 - Russ Alton
October 27 - Gwen Lucas, Kay Mills
October 28 - Nina Cheuvront, Julie Taberner
October 30 - Kelly Sheppard

* Anniversary

If your birthday and/or anniversary is not on this list and you would like it to be on the church calendar, please contact the office this week.

Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

So you think you have problems. Who doesn't? That is no reason for you to quit the church and abandon the faith.

Put yourself in the shoes of Job for a moment:

1. He lost his wealth .
2. He lost his family,
3. He lost his health. Job was smitten from head to foot with most loathsome ulcers. He was constrained to sit down among the ashes and scrape himself with a potsherd.
4. He lost his friends. His servants turned their backs on him. The children in the streets despised Job and mocked him. His friends told him that his sufferings were because of his wickedness. And his wife nagged him to curse God and die.

If you take any of these trials separately they would be great, but view them collectively and one is almost overwhelmed. But in the midst of calamity, "Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped" (Job 1:20).

And you know what? Job learned that the Lord is very "compassionate and merciful" (James 5:11)

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



SAVE THE DATE

2018 Round Robin Gospel Meetings

Theme: God Is (Hebrews 11:6)

	<u>Church of Christ</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
October 1	Blackburn Hills	David Brothers
October 8	Little Hocking	Ernie Cornell
October 15	Barlow-Vincent	Nathan Greene
October 22	Veto	Dan Plum
October 29	Hickory Hill	Mike Moore
November 5	Bearwallow	Mark T. Tonkery

Starts each Monday evening at 7:00

For more information, contact Nathan Greene 740.525.3902

September 22

HOW CHURCHES DEAL WITH ADDICTIONS

9:00AM-2:30PM

Ohio Valley University

\$20 entry fee, includes lunch and handouts

October 4

"Queen Esther, What a Difference a Day Makes"

7:00PM

OVU Main Campus Room 139

Flyers on foyer bulletin boards

Thank you for worshipping with us!

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.

UPCOMING TOPIC

September 23 - LIES PEOPLE BELIEVE

Friday Night Sing

Transportation will leave Friday at 6:15 for the sing at the Lower Paw Paw congregation.



Everyone welcome!

Opportunities To Serve

Sunday, September 23

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life

DEACON IN CHARGE - Keith Smith

SONG LEADERS

AM - Jon Hescht

PM - Jim Galloway

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Steve Moser

Close - Ron Holleron

6:00 PM - Don Gaston

Close - John Hall

SCRIPTURE

AM - Doug Hershman

PM - Rick Stanley

COMMUNION

AM - Bill Hoover

PM - Paul Saunders

Chris Tallman

PA SYSTEM - Todd Kirk

DOOR GREETERS

AM 1 - Clayton Huber

2 - Verna Huber

3 - Donovan Walton

PM

1. Ron & Peggy Riddle

2. Stan & Debi Inman

* Doors 3 and 4 - Unattended *

5. Marion & Jo Goldsmith

6. Len & Susan Haid

Facts and Figures

September 9, 2018

AM Service.....262

Bible Study.....173

PM Service.....185

Wednesday.....183

Contribution.....\$7946.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018

Baptisms.....0

Restored or Requested Prayers...4

Placed Membership.....5

Services Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30

Bible Study...15 min. after worship

PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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