# **Camden Avenue Church of Christ**

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

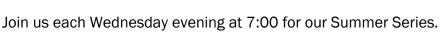
We are dedicated to seeking the lost while edifying each other in order that we may all enter the eternal home promised for the faithful.

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# 2019 Summer Series

Topic: Great Sermons in the Book of Acts





Date	Scripture	Title	Speaker
June 5	Acts 2:14-40	First Gospel Sermon	Brent Smith Main St. Church of Christ Caldwell, OH
June 12	Acts 3:12-26	Peter's sermon at the temple	Dana Slingluff, Northeast Church of Christ, Galena, OH
June 19	Acts 4:5-12	Peter before the Sanhedrin	Doug Wells Camden Avenue
June 26	Acts 7	Stephen's sermon	Mark Tonkery Camden Avenue
July 3	Acts 10:28-47	Peter's sermon to the Gentiles	Tim Gainer Church of Christ, Rio Grande, OH
July 10	VBS	VBS	VBS
July 17	Acts 13:16-41	Paul's sermon at Antioch	Mike Perry Rosemar Road Church of Christ
July 24	Acts 14:8-23	Paul's sermon at Lystra	David Epler Camden Avenue
July 31	Acts 17:16-34	Paul's sermon on Mars Hill	Elvis Galbreath Sunrise Church of Christ
August 7	Acts 20:17-35	Paul's sermon to Ephesian elders	Dale Parsley Dewey Avenue Church of Christ
August 14	Acts 22:1-21	Paul's sermon about his conversion	Clay Brown Fishinger and Kenny Church of Christ
August 21	Acts 23:1-6	Paul's sermon to the Sanhedrin	Brent Gallagher Oakwood Road Church of Christ
August 28	Acts 26	Paul's sermon to King Agrippa	Collin Morrison Church of Christ, Beallsville, OH

### **Elders**:

Jim Galloway Stan Inman John Life Paul Saunders Dearll Vincent

### Deacons:

Kevin Cochran
Marion Goldsmith
Steve Gray
Leonard Haid
Doug Hershman
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Bill Hoover
Rob Hoover
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Kyle Inman
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Live your life to be a good example of what you believe.

# God's help is only a prayer away.



The Arbors - Colleen Ash (No visits, please.)

Belpre Landing - Phyllis Johnson Room 317 She would enjoy cards and visits.

# Our church family in need of prayers.

Russ Alton, Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Colleen Ash, Harvey Caplinger Sr, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Gloria Frazier, Jim and Carolyn Henry, Jim Hughes, Nancy Inman, Phyllis Johnson, Annette Kirk, Bill and Mary Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Gene and Peg Phillips, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Ron Riddle, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Eloise Smith, Valeria Sprout, Lenore Vaught, Mike Wade

# Prayers requested for family and friends

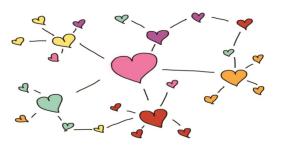
Cindy Adkins (Kassi's mother-in-law), Patty Alton,
David Balderson (Sallie Hinzman's brother), Bob Boyce, Kelly Boyce,
Ann Duley (Niece of Gilbert and Lucille Hardman), Paul DuVall (Terry Hofmann's cousin), Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Malissa Hackathorn (Jerry and Shelly Todd's friend), Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Bennet Haught (Brian Haught's father), Blaine Hescht, Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), Dolores Kemp (Friend of Mary Nesselroad), David Lawson, Carolyn Sue Miller, Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), John Rockhold, Leonard Shears, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Kimberly Wade (Marvin and Arrahwanna McMasters' daughter), Marv Williams

Remember Annette Kirk in your prayers as she is experiencing health issues. We love and appreciate her and her family so much!



# Note of Gratitude

Thank you to all my Brothers and Sisters in Christ for your generous Birthday wishes on my behalf. **Paul Inman** 



### **FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

Care Group 4 invites everyone to the Fellowship Lunch today in the MP Room following worship and Bible study. Please bring covered dish items, desserts and beverages.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SING

The first Friday Night Sing for 2019 will be at the Hopewell congregation February 15 at 7:00. Friday night sing schedules and the bus schedules are in the foyers.

# **GOLDEN AGERS SOUP BEAN DINNER- GAME NIGHT**

Everyone is invited to the Golden Agers Soup Bean Dinner - Game Night in the MP Room Friday, February 15 at 5:30. Sign-up sheets are on the counter for attendance count and food items.

### MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Elders, Preachers, Deacons meeting next Sunday at 4:00 with Men's meeting and Ladies meeting at 5:00.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Our Blood Drive will be Monday, February 18 in the MP Room 1:00-5:30PM. Sign-up sheets are on the counter.

### MID-OHIO VALLEY LADIES INSPIRATION DAY PLANNING MEETING

All ladies are welcome to a devotional/planning for the 2019 MOV Ladies Inspiration Day February 18 at 6:30PM at the Lynn Street congregation. The MOV Ladies Inspiration Day will be Saturday, April 6. Flyer on foyer bulletin boards.

# LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES

If you would like to make a monetary donation to help send students to the convention, see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.



Remember your Secret Sister this week in your prayers and with a note or little act of kindness.

#### 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**

February 17 - THE LORD'S SUPPER

# **Daily Bible Reading**

February 10 - Matthew 25:14-46, Exodus 36-37 February 11 - Matthew 26:1-13, Exodus 38-39 February 12 - Matthew 26:14-35, Exodus 40 February 13 - Matthew 26:36-56, Leviticus 1-4 February 14 - Matthew 26:57-75, Leviticus 5-6 February 15 - Matthew 27:1-26, Leviticus 7-8 February 16 - Matthew 27:27-56, Leviticus 9-10

February 17 - Matthew 27:57-66, Leviticus 11-12

# Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery



# The Right Words at the Right Time

I recently read about an interesting series of questions to ask yourself before saying anything to another person. The idea is to make sure that you speak properly at the proper time. The three questions to ask are:

- Does this need to be said?
- Does this need to be said by me?
- Does this need to be said by me, right now?

The idea is to ask them in your mind in succession. If at any point the answer is "No" then you should not say anything. I like this concept and am going to try to implement it into my speech from now on.

We do need to give a lot more thought prior to speaking. As Christians, our words should be ones that build up and not tear down – words that help rather than hurt. This is God's desire for our mouths.

# Consider the following passages:

- Pro. 15:4, "A wholesome tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit."
- Pro. 16:24, "Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the bones."
- Pro. 25:11, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver."
- Eph. 4:29, "Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers."
- Col. 4:6, "Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one."

If we would give a little more thought before speaking, then it is much more likely we will say the right words at the right time.



# **SERMON NOTES**

# Let Love Continue

Text: 1 Corinthians 13:1-7

	The problem: The Corinthians eing than	were pointing to their g another.	jifts
II. we a	The response from Paul: Not _ all can have	will have the same gift	s but
	a. Love must be the	(1 Cor. 13:1-3).	
	b. Love must	(1 Cor. 13:4-7).	
	c. Love must	(1 Cor. 13:8-13).	
III.	The application:		
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# DOUG'S DISCUSSION



Some people do more good for the Lord than others. I suppose that's not the most politically correct thing to say but there's no denying it. On one end of the scale there are people who create problems wherever they go. Discouragement and division are created in their wake. Obviously, that's not who we want to be. We would rather admire those on the other end of the scale. We admire those people who build up the kingdom of God everywhere they turn. When these people are in the room the weak are strengthened and the fallen are lifted up. Church is simply a better place because they are there. You feel comfortable around them, you trust what comes out of their mouths, you look forward toward the next time you will share fellowship.

So why do some people tear down while others build up? Is it just personality? Is it some great mystery? I don't think so. I think the person we are today has been created through many seemingly small choices along the way. Let's put away all our excuses! The people who are effective for the Lord are that way for a reason. There were two paths before them, and more often than not they took the less traveled way. "Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night" (Psalm 1:1-2). When people chose to spend the evening with unwise company instead of making time for the Word of God I'm sure it doesn't seem like a big deal at the time. Surprise! It is. The one who has made a habit of choosing the Lord "is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers" (Psalm 1:3).

I think we have a tough time grasping the long-term impact of good or bad habits. Does it really matter if I take the time to work on my character, guided in the right way by the Word of God? There are so many other things to do! Will it really be a big deal if I just let it slide? If you want to be effective for the Lord the answer is yes. 2 Peter 1 encourages us to add good qualities to our faith. We are called to grow in knowledge, self-control, and love. Verse 8 tells us why: "For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." So why do some tear down and some build up? It really isn't a mystery. God lays it all out in His Word. If you strive to be the person God wants you to be you will be effective in doing the things God wants you to do. If you don't, you won't. Today is the day to start making the choices you need to make so you too can be effective and productive in your knowledge of Jesus Christ.

# Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery

Heard on 910 AM WLTP



Did you have a father that gave you advice? Maybe he gave vou advise o n relationships, how to take care of your money, or hundred other things. I guess

fathers have been giving advice as long as there have been fathers. Take for example Solomon who said, in Proverbs 5:7, "And now, O sons, listen to me, and do not depart from the words of my mouth." Solomon goes on to give all kinds of advice as recorded in the book Proverbs.

Lt. Commander J P. Carr's father gave him some advice when his first child was born. He said, "Teach her as many of the seven hundred thousand words of the English language as you have time to, but be sure she knows that the greatest word is God; the longest word, eternity; the swiftest word, time; the nearest word, now; the darkest word, sin; the meanest word, hypocrisy; and the deepest word, soul." (taken from Exchange).

That sounds like good advice to me.

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



# **Hold Your Peace**

You have heard the old saying, "Hold your peace!" That brings to mind that the reason there is so little peace in the world and even the church is because many people have never learned to "hold their peace."

Guarding the tongue is a Christian work (James 3). Being careful in what you say is godly and keeps consuming fires from being started (James 3:6).

"Every time we hold our tongues instead of returning the sharp retort, show patience with another's faults, show a little kindness, we are helping to stock-pile more of these peace-bringing qualities in the world instead of armaments for war." (Foster)

Keep a peaceful tongue and a peaceful heart!

# **Opportunities To Serve**

Sunday, February 17

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life DEACON IN CHARGE - Len Haid

#### **SONG LEADERS**

AM - Clayton Huber PM - Scott Smith

#### **PRAYER**

9:30 AM - Kody Inman Close - Brian Haught 6:00 PM - Dennis Keller Close - Josh Hall

#### **SCRIPTURE**

AM - Ira Kimes

PM - Patrick Rine

#### COMMUNION

AM - Stan Inman

PM - Bill Camp Cody Hoover

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway

#### **DOOR GREETERS**

AM 1 - Paul Inman

- 2 Doug Hershman
- 3 Alisha Hershman

#### PM

- 1. Steve & Julie Moser
- 2. Ron Holleron & Ira Kimes
  - \* Doors 3 and 4 Unattended \*
- 5. Sherry Wilcox & Melva Farris
- 6. Mark Dean & Donovan Walton

# Facts and Figures

February 3, 2019

AM Service	268
Bible Study	201
PM Service	199
Wednesday	187
Contribution	\$8123.00

### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2018

Baptisms	2
Restored or Requested Prayers	
Placed Membership	

# **Services Times**

### **Sunday**

AM Worship	9:30
Bible Study15 m	in. after worship
PM Worship	6:00

### <u>Wednesday</u>

Bible Study.....11:00AM & 7:00PM



# Thank you for worshipping with us!

If you have any questions, please let us know.

We offer informative tracts and Bible Correspondence Courses at no charge. We would also have a Bible study at your convenience.

Len Haid has made packets that are available on the counter in the parking lot foyer. They contain CD's and tracts. Feel free to help yourself to a packet or give one to a friend.

# Bible Call ~ 304.420.2416



Answers to Bible questions and prompts for Bible studies

Brochures are available in the foyers with details. Feel free to distribute to family, friends, and co-workers.

Any questions, see David Epler or contact him at 304.834.1945 or 616.554.0990.

### **BIBLE CALL UPDATE**

IN JANUARY WE HAD 197 calls. This represents close to 16 hours of Bible teaching over the phone. IF YOU WOULD CALL DAILY YOU WILL FIND IT A BLESSING, and also when you hear discussion on the topics you can tell others "I heard a great lesson on that topic on Bible Call. Here is a list and the number you might call and see if that is a blessing to you."

The top number of calls were on these topics: 203 - Facing an Operation, 205 - Strength through Sorrow, 101 - What is Bible Call?, 420 - The Home: Responsibilities of Children, 312 - How do you know you have been saved?, 606 - Qualifications of Elders and Deacons.

We did our second mailing this week of two postal routes on South Side. A reasonable goal would be to mail all of Wood County twice a year. I am looking to share information on this work to sister congregations to encourage them to be a part of this. I was invited to the Mineral Wells congregation two weeks ago and shared this work with them. Why not call Bible Call daily and daily distribute the leaflets to others. Just ask them "Have you heard of Bible Call?" and explain it to them. Let us all pray that God would bless all the efforts of the congregation to the reaching out to the lost and the edification of the Body of Christ.

If you have any questions call me - David Epler 616.554.0990.