

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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Congratulations to our Graduates!



Haley Johnson
PSHS Graduate



Zoe Merrill
WVU-P Graduate
BS - Business Administration
Accounting



Jordan Kirk
PSHS Graduate

Elders:

Jim Galloway
Clayton Huber
John Life
Paul Saunders
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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True peace
comes from
knowing that
God
is in control.



Dearll Vincent - Belpre Landing (Room 201)

No visits.

Remember him with in your prayers and with cards.

Our church family in need of prayers.

Bob and Sharon Armstrong, Peggy Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Jim Dailey, Gloria Frazier, Don Gaston, Carolyn Henry, Phyllis Johnson, Bill Lemley, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Gene and Peg Phillips, Ed Porter, Jane Pralley, Van Putnam, Ray Sams, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent

Prayers requested for family and friends

Cindy Adkins (Kassi's mother-in-law), David Balderson (Sallie Hinzman's brother), Mark Berry, Don & Sheri Blackwell, Richard Deem (Rosemary Merrill's brother-in-law), Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother), Sherry Haddox, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Sydney Harvey and baby (Friend of Don & Brenda Dougherty), Bennet Haught (Brian Haught's father), Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents), Dolores Kemp (Friend of Mary Nesselroad), David Lawson, Carolyn Sue Miller, Shirley Packard, Ron Richards (Courtney Richards' father-in-law), John Rockhold III, Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Penny Spaur (Cotton and Patty Sayre's daughter), Randy Townsend

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Dale Dotson. Our sympathy goes to Gala Miller, Patty Sayre and Rick Stanley and the families in the passing of their uncle. His service was Friday in Vienna.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Becky Inman! She received the Jan Dils Attorney at Law Golden Apple Award for May 2019. She is a first-grade teacher at Belpre Elementary School. We are proud of you, Mrs. Inman!



- ♥ Thank you for the beautiful birthday cards and gift. Sorry I am late. Love, **Carolyn Davis**
- ♥ Thank you for the birthday cards and well wishes. I appreciated each one of them. **Jim Hinzman**
- ♥ I appreciate the nice birthday cards and messages. **Jenny Ware**



Congratulations!

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future... Jeremiah 29:11

MEETINGS TODAY

Elders, Preachers, Deacons meeting 4:00, Men's meeting and Ladies' meeting 5:00 today

GRADUATES GET-TOGETHER

Everyone is invited to the get-together in the MP Room this evening after services to recognize our high school graduates. Bring snacks, desserts and beverages. Our high school graduates are Haley Johnson and Jordan Kirk.

BIBLE BOWL MEETING

Mark Tonkery would like to meet this evening in Room 109 with any youth (1st - 12th grades) interested in participating in the Bible Bowl. The Bible Bowl will be Saturday, September 28. It will cover the book of Luke (NKJV). Any questions see him.

TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP

The Traveling Youth Group will be at the Sardis congregation next Sunday evening.

LOVE AND CARE SING - May 27

Everyone is encouraged to attend the sing at Love and Care next Monday at 7:00PM.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 ~ 11:00 MORNING CLASS

Mark will teach the 11:00 morning Bible class May 29. Following the class we will go to Henderson Hall for a picnic lunch. Rick Stanley will provide a tour of Henderson Hall. The tour will be \$8 each. There is a sign-up sheet on the counter for the lunch attendance count. Details are with the sign-up sheet. See Mark or Dwain for details.

OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP AT CAMP HERVIDA

OVCYC at Camp Hervida is requesting donations of supplies. The list is on the counter in the foyer. Items need to be left under the coat rack in the parking lot foyer by Wednesday, May 29. OVCYC registration forms are available in the foyers.

GOLDEN AGERS AMISH COUNTRY TRIP

The Golden Agers Amish Country trip is planned for Thursday, June 13. Leaving the church building at 8:00AM. Sign-up sheet and itineraries are on the counter with details.

CLOTHING HANGERS

We are in need of plastic or wooden hangers, adults and children's size, for the clothing room.

Daily Bible Reading

May 19 - John 4:27-54, 1 Kings 4-5
May 20 - John 5:1-18, 1 Kings 6-7
May 21 - John 5:19-47, 1 Kings 8
May 22 - John 6:1-24, 1 Kings 9
May 23 - John 6:25-51, 1 Kings 10-11
May 24 - John 6:52-71, 1 Kings 12-13
May 25 - John 7:1-24, 1 Kings 14-15
May 26 - John 7:25-39, 1 Kings 16-17



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Keep up the good work of telling others about this program. Brochures are available in the foyers. Distribute to family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.



Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

OUR GRADUATES

Congratulations! You have reached a milestone in your life. We have watched you grow from infancy to young manhood and womanhood, and we are proud of you. Your development has been physical, mental, social and spiritual. For these things we give thanks.

I know that everyone is offering you advice.

Enjoy life now. Some people have their eyes on the end of the earth. They are forever looking into the future and anticipating what shall be. God has given you this day. Make the most of it.

Cultivate a spirit of thankfulness. Heed the words of the apostle Paul who said, "In everything give thanks." Your life will be richer and fuller with every passing day, and you will be saved from self-pity with it's misery.

Carefully select your life-long companion. Much sorrow and heartache can be avoided, and joy and happiness found, if you make a wise selection. Ask God for wisdom and guidance. Seek advice from your father and mother.

Remember your Creator. His ways are the ways of life. To depart from them is to court disaster and to learn by experience that "the ways of the transgressor is hard."

Honor your father and mother. Confide in them. Show reverence and respect. Heed their counsel and advice. Lessons they taught you in childhood can be a touchstone for all that is to follow.

Be truthful. A life built on lies is a sham and a disgrace. Let your word be your bond. Men and women of character are always respected.

Learn from your mistakes. If you don't, you will be repeating them endlessly.

Pray without ceasing. A life lived without prayer is hollow and empty. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

Seek to serve. Great works do not always lie in our way, but everyone can find some way to serve. In such service true greatness is found.

Set your priorities. And at the top of the list put the kingdom of God. God will bless you.

John Gipson
Little Rock, Arkansas

SERMON NOTES

3 Functions of Shepherds

Scripture Reading: Text: Acts 20:28



I. Keep watch over _____.

A. _____

B. _____

C. Application: _____

II. Keep watch over the _____.

A. _____

B. _____

C. Application: _____

III. Keep in mind the church of God, _____.

A. _____

B. _____

C. Application: _____

Note the date change: The Mission Trip to help with the VBS at the Northeast congregation will be August 2,3, and 4. Sign-up sheet is on the counter.

P.M. Sermon by Mark T. Tonkery

Do you want to get well?

Scripture Reading: *John 5:1-15*

DOUG'S DISCUSSION



Creator or Chance?

Sometimes I think about how my life could have been different if I had made a different choice here or there. This isn't regret, this is praise. I cannot even begin to imagine how much better God's help and direction has made my life. Going to OVC for college was a fairly last-minute decision. I figured I was headed to Wright State, a secular college. That would have made a difference. My plan when heading to college was to study to be a pediatrician. You can tell a different choice happened along the way there too. Who to look up to as a role model, my choice of friends, and absolutely who to marry all were decisions that played a big role in what direction my life went.

Going further back in history, another interesting decision happened in the third grade. Our class was given an art project. Step one was to decide between the most likely of two evolutionary theories. Did we believe in the Big Bang or the Eternal Universe theory? Then we were told to make an artistic representation of the theory and give a short reason why that's the one we believed in. I wonder how things may have been different in my life if I had decided to trust the teacher's instruction and accept that some form of evolution is true. I didn't – in one of my better childhood moments I rebelled and drew a picture of God creating the heavens and the earth. I'm pretty sure I got points off for failing to follow instructions but my intact faith and integrity was totally worth it.

In our world today two paths have been placed before us. Shall we believe that Genesis 1:1 is true, that "God created the heavens and the earth" or will we believe what is written repeatedly in the halls of the Smithsonian? This institution of man claims that in the beginning you formed by chance. These two roads lead to very different places. There are many blessings for those who retain their faith in God, believing in His Word over all other voices. You will be a very different person if you do not. You will have a very different future. Your life will go in a very different direction. In this monumental choice, will you choose a living faith? If you are facing this decision I leave you with Moses' plea: "Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the Lord is your life" (Deuteronomy 30:19-20).

Thankfulness

There is no end to God's gifts. From the breath in our lungs to the roof over our heads to every small mercy we receive today and every day. God is a good gift giver.

Thank you, God for the attention you give us every day. In every circumstance, thank you.



What can you thank God for right now?

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. (Psalm 107:1) KJV

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (I Thessalonians 5:16-18) NKJV

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise.
Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. (Psalm 100:4) NKJV

(This is adapted from **PRAYERS AND PROMISES**, a book from my Secret Sister.)

A special thank you Secret Sister for your kindness.

Minute of Meditation

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

Having recently moved I can say from experience that you really don't know what you're going to see when you open the back of the U-Haul. Some roads cause your possessions to do the Hokey Pokey. You've got a piece of shelf there, and the top board there, and the rest of it's...where? and you shake it all about! Truly my worldly goods did not come out of that truck looking like they did when they went in. It was a little sad, but it's okay. None of those things were my treasure.

Jesus says, "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 5:20-21). I also suspect that heavenly U-Hauls cause no destruction. And so I see no point in putting all my efforts into collecting things that I cannot keep. I would much rather follow Jesus' instructions and make permanent investments in heaven. Where do you store your treasure?

I am Doug Wells with the Camden Avenue Church of Christ where you are always welcome.



Serving In Worship

Sunday, May 26

ELDER IN CHARGE - John Life
DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

SONG LEADERS

AM - Brian Haught
PM - Gary Alton

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Doug Wells
Close - Bill Hoover
6:00 PM - Jon Hescht
Close - Delmas Carr

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ryan Gaston
PM - Ryan Logston

COMMUNION

AM - Jimmy Galloway
PM - Paul Saunders
Chris Tallman

PA SYSTEM - Jim Galloway



Summer Series

June 5 - August 28 ~ 7:00 each Wednesday evening

Vacation Bible School

July 8 - 10 ~ 6:30PM - 8:00PM

Church Picnic

August 17



The Lawn Crew for this week includes Stan Inman, Bill Merrill, Kevin Inman and Clayton Huber.

Sign up for Church Camp!



OHIO VALLEY CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP ~ CAMP HERVIDA

Senior Week ~ June 9 - 14

Junior Week ~ June 16 - 21

Intermediate Week ~ June 23 - 28

Registration forms are available in the foyers.

Facts and Figures

May 12, 2019

AM Service.....259
Bible Study.....154
PM Service.....184
Wednesday.....183
Contribution.....\$6701.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2019

Baptisms.....2
Restored or Requested Prayers...1
Placed Membership.....1

Service Times

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Bible Study..... 7:00PM

Friday Night Sing



The Lubeck congregation will host the sing this week at 7:00.

Everyone welcome!

Watch **"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"**

will air 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.

May 26
THE GODLY HEART