

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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Can You Name Just One

Can you name just one fault of Jesus of Galilee? Can you name a person He mistreated? Can you name a soul to whom He was unjust? Can you name one teaching of Jesus that is immoral? Can you name one practice of His life that was out of balance with His teachings?

Ronald Reagan once said, “Can you name one problem that would not be solved if we had simply followed the teachings of the man from Galilee?” Oh, the thought!

Go ahead; stand Him next to any man. Find the best - the most inspiring, prolific, influential, successful. Gather a roomful and give them high marks for their merits, and deductions for their faults. They begin to fall away, one-by-one, until they have all left the room but Him! They cannot stand next to this Man! They cannot stand next to Jesus! Even Pontius Pilate gets our Amen as he proclaims: “I find no fault in Him!”

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
Keith Smith
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Being A Christian
doesn't change
what you deal
with.
It changes How
you deal with it.



Our church family in need of prayers.

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

Prayers requested for family and friends

Mark Berry, Ann Duley, Beth Ferguson, Paula Garner (Julie Moser's mother),
Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Jim and Jean Huber (Clayton's parents),
Brian and Judy Hunter (Kelly and Sandy Sheppard's neighbors), David Lawson,
Carolyn Sue Miller, Ted Riddle (Ron Riddle's brother), John Rockhold III,
Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother)

We update our Prayer List periodically, removing names if we have no recent updates
on that person. Update the office of any changes.

Remember Dearll Vincent in your prayers.
No visits, please. He enjoys receiving cards.
Remember him and his family in your prayers.



We extend our deepest sympathy to Jenny, Ashley and
Megan Ware in the passing of Randy. His service was
Friday at Leavitt Funeral Home.

Please keep this family in your prayers at this very
difficult time.

We love and appreciate them.

THANK YOU NOTES

- ♥ Thank you for the prayers and all the cards and kind words during this difficult time. Love, **Cindy and Jeff Huxley**
- ♥ To our church family and friends, We were so overwhelmed by the guests, well wishes, and cards received at our 50th Golden wedding celebration. Thank you for sharing in our day and making it so very special. One that we will remember always. Love, **Marion and Jo Goldsmith**

News and Announcements

MEETINGS TODAY

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

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

MNFTM will meet tomorrow evening in the MP Room. 5:45 dinner - 6:30 work projects. This will be a potluck dinner. Please bring an entrée, side item, dessert or beverage. MNFTM will begin meeting once a month through October.

WEDDING SHOWER

Everyone is invited to a come-and-go wedding shower for Josh Hall and Zoe Merrill next Sunday (August 25) 3:00-5:00 in the MP Room. They are registered at JCPenney and Walmart.

TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP

Transportation will leave next Sunday at 5:50 to join the Traveling Youth Group at the Waverly congregation for a singing service. A fellowship meal will be provided following the service.

BLOOD DRIVE

Our blood Drive will be Monday, August 26 from 1:00-5:30 in the MP Room. Sign-up sheet is on the counter. Donors are needed!

WEDNESDAY 11:00 MORNING BIBLE STUDY - AUGUST 28

Mark invites everyone to the 11:00 morning Bible class Wednesday, August 28. We will have the 7:00 evening Bible study and the Summer Series will continue with Brent Gallagher speaking. We will meet at Der Dog Haus on Seventh Street following the class for lunch.

RUTH WELLS 100TH BIRTHDAY RECEPTION

Everyone is invited to a celebration for Ruth Wells' 100th birthday Sunday, September 1. Cake and ice cream will be served in the MP Room after evening services. No gifts please, but she would love to receive cards.

We would like to thank the Camden Avenue congregation for the wonderful assistance they gave us in conducting the Super Saturday VBS on August 2-4. Mark put together a great team of adults and teens who hit the ground running. Over 400 fliers were distributed to our neighbors, classes were decorated and taught and a wonderful time was had by all. Several were in attendance who are not members at Northeast. Our Saturday attendance of 56 and Sunday 62 were excellent for this small congregation. Your dedication and excitement in serving the Lord were contagious and the church was encouraged and inspired to do more. Thank you again, for your heart of ministry in assisting what is truly a mission effort.

Your Brother in Christ, Dana Slingluff and the Northeast Church of Christ, Galena, Ohio.

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Keep up the good work of telling others about this program. Brochures are in the foyers.

Distribute them to family, friends, neighbors and co-workers.



Daily Bible Reading

August 18 - Romans 10, Psalms 44-47

August 19 - Romans 11:1-21, Psalms 48-51

August 20 - Romans 11:22-36, Psalms 52-56

August 21 - Romans 12, Psalms 57-61

August 22 - Romans 13, Psalms 62-66

August 23 - Romans 14, Psalms 67-69

August 24 - Romans 15:1-21, Psalms 70-72

August 25 - Romans 15:22-33, Psalms 73-74

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

Monday Night for The Master Fall 2019

A guy once walked in right near the end of the church service. He said to an usher, "Is the sermon done yet?" The usher answered wisely, "The sermon has been preached, but it has yet to be done."

That reply sums up what we do at Monday Night for The Master. It is where we have an opportunity to be "doers of the Word of God." God's Word is not just meant to be preached or taught. It's meant to be practiced. We must not only hear the word. We must heed the Word. The kind of religion that has been given to us is of no value unless it is practiced in our everyday life. Notice how James 1:27 reads, "External religious worship [religion as it is expressed in outward acts] that is pure and unblemished in the sight of God the Father is this: to visit *and* help *and* care for the orphans and widows in their affliction *and* need, and to keep oneself unspotted *and* uncontaminated from the world." Tomorrow night we will be doing this; at least in part.

Each Monday Night for the Master there is an opportunity to do a variety of jobs and works of service. Although all jobs are important and there are many things that need to be done, the one job that we need the most people and help with is visiting the homebound, unfaithful, those who have visited our worship services, and those who may be in the hospital.

If you choose to visit someone tomorrow night, notice some of the benefits:

- You will be a blessing to those who are sick, and homebound.
- They will know that we as a congregation care for them.
- It will build enthusiasm. I have received more joy from visiting people than what I often have tried to provide.
- It will build spirituality. Anytime when you focus on doing things for God you only come closer to Him.
- It will give encouragement. It is so easy to get discouraged. Let alone have a sickness to get you down, but it is such an encouragement when someone remembers you. Be that encouragement to someone.

Flavil Yeakley, made a statement about the power of a visit, he said, "When a person has no meaningful personal contact with the congregation in the process of his conversion, he is likely to feel no meaningful sense of identification with his congregations after conversion and therefore likely to drop out."

Our visit can mean the difference of someone staying faithful to the Lord and His church. The statement has been made, "Like moths, people gravitate to light and warmth." You can be that light and warmth to someone who is experiencing the dark and coldness of the world. See you tomorrow at M.N.F.T.M. God Bless you, Mark T. Tonkery

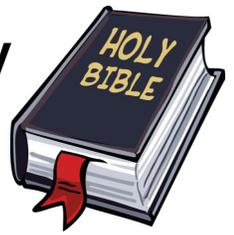


Len and Susan Haid invite everyone to their annual Bean Dinner Saturday, September 21 at 4:00PM. Bring items to go with soup beans and hamburgers. Also, bring lawn chairs. There is an attendance sign-up sheet on the counter.

Sunday Morning Sermon by Mark T. Tonkery

Comfort One Another

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3, 4



2 Corinthians 1:3, 4, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of _____ and God of all _____, who _____ us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to _____ those who are in any affliction, with the _____ with which we ourselves are _____ by God."

I. Comfort means –

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

II. Comfort is needed when:

1. _____
2. _____

III. So, how does God comfort His children?

1. God comforts through who _____.

- i. _____
- ii. _____

2. God comforts through people.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____

v. So how can we comfort one another?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

3. God comforts through his _____.

- i. P _____
- ii. P _____
- iii. P _____

4. God comforts through _____.

- i. _____
- ii. _____

Conclusion

A. Psalm 55:22, "_____ your _____ on the LORD and he will _____ you; he will _____ let the righteous fall".



DOUG'S DISCUSSION



Can You See What's Really Going On?

There are certain things people would be less excited to do if they knew what was really going on. Worshiping idols is one good example of this. People used to go in great crowds to worship a block of wood. It doesn't make sense to me (or probably any of us today), but it was very popular at the time. The idea was this action would be enjoyable and it would bring prosperity. But would people still have gone if they knew what they were really kneeling before? In the spiritual world worship doesn't get wasted. Baal was not really a god, and a block of wood is just a block of wood, but that worship did get received by something. But by what? Let's take a look behind the scenes: "Do I mean then that a sacrifice offered to an idol is anything, or that an idol is anything? No, but the sacrifices of pagans are offered to demons, not to God, and I do not want you to be participants with demons" (1 Corinthians 10:19-20). Yikes! How many would worship idols if they could see the hideous demon that was receiving their worship? Attendance might have gone down.

Oh if only we could truly see with spiritual eyes! I'm sure there is a lot of things we wouldn't do. Did you know that you're never really alone? It's true. And that's bad news for some. "Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed" (John 3:20). Do you act differently when you think that no one is watching? Many do. People get a lax in their morals and discipline when there doesn't seem to be anyone around to hold them accountable. But if we could see what was really going on we would find out that there are many witnesses to our choices no matter how much we hide. "If I say, 'Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,' even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you" (Psalm 139:11-12). Do you have the faith to know that God sees all? Do you have the faith to know that the great heavenly host also witnesses our lives? "Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?" (Hebrews 1:14). Truly we do have a great cloud of witnesses.

However, these are matters of faith, not of sight. We cannot see the demon that cheers when we choose to do what is evil. We cannot see the angel that celebrates when we repent. But do you know they are there? The Word plainly speaks of their existence. I suggest considering how many are watching even with it seems no one is. Live in such a way that would make the watching angels proud. Even in the darkness know that God sees as clear as day. KNOW this . . . and perhaps it will help you stop doing the things you shouldn't do.



- September 1 - *Calvin and Jean Martin
- September 4 - *Paul and Barbara Saunders
- September 5 - Ruth Wells **Happy 100th Birthday!**
- September 8 - *Kody and Chelsea Inman
- September 9 - Delmas Carr, Ali Cochran
- September 10 - Gloria Frazier, Zoe Merrill
- September 12 - Bill Fleak
- September 13 - Gene Phillips
- September 14 - Brenden Smith, *Steve and Holly Sprout
- September 16 - Patty Sayre
- September 17 - Jenny Reynolds
- September 18 - Braidon Knotts, Kyle Knotts
- September 21 - Connie Hickman
- September 22 - Nancy Inman
- September 23 - Jo Goldsmith
- September 24 - De Fleak, Sandy Keller,
*Harvey and Mary Caplinger
- September 25 - Avery Goldsmith
- September 26 - Alisha Hershman, Chloe McCloskey
- September 27 - Gilbert Hardman, Sean Plant
- September 28 - Carl Curtiss, Natalie Inman,
*Allen and Billie Coe
- September 29 - Cheryl Logston
- September 30 - Naomi Carr

* Anniversary

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



We will be having new church directories printed with Lifetouch.

Photos will be taken
October 24, 25 and 26.

Sign-up sheets will be available on the counter in the next few weeks.

Each photo session will receive a free 8x10 photo, printed directory and will have the opportunity to purchase additional photos. Extra printed directories will be limited so you must get your photo taken to receive a directory.

See Steve Gray for details.

Minute of Meditation by Doug Wells

Heard on 910 AM WLTP

A story is told about an exchange that once happened between Muhammad Ali and a flight attendant. Apparently someone was being a bad boy and not wearing their seat belt, and the stewardess politely asked him to buckle up. Ali then said: "Superman don't need no seat belt." The stewardess quickly replied "Superman don't need no airplane either." I think she won that round.



Former boxing champions are not the only ones who struggle with an overinflated ego. When things are going well for us it is easy for us to believe that we don't need help from anyone or anything. But is that really true? Maybe it seems like you're superman now but what happens if you take away the airplane? And if you can't fly to the clouds on your own how could you possibly hope to get to heaven?

The truth is that we need plenty of help, and most of all we need Jesus. He don't need no airplane to get to the dwelling place of God, and if we accept His help and His salvation we won't need one either.

I am Doug Wells with a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ where you are always welcome.

Serving In Worship

Sunday, August 25

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders

DEACON IN CHARGE - Kyle Inman

SONG LEADERS

AM - Jim Galloway

PM - Scott Smith

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Ryan Gaston

Close - Chris Tallman

6:00 PM - Patrick Rine

Close - Bill Camp

SCRIPTURE

AM - Cody Hoover

PM - Rick Stanley

COMMUNION

AM - Brian Haught

PM - Scott Johnson
Allen Coe

PA SYSTEM - Clayton Huber



**GIVE
BLOOD
SAVE
LIFE**



Donors are needed for our

BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, August 26

1:00 - 5:30PM

in the MP Room.

Sign-up sheet is on the counter.



The Lawn Crew for
this week

Brian Haught,
Ben Haught,
Ryan Highman
and
Jon Hescht.

Facts and Figures

August 11, 2019

AM Service.....	262
Bible Study.....	179
PM Service.....	179
Wednesday.....	157
Contribution.....	\$6033.00

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
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Our Summer Series will continue this
Wednesday evening at 7:00.

Speaker: Brent Gallagher
Oakwood Road Church of Christ

Thank you for worshipping with us!

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.

August 25
BAPTISM

Friday Night Sing

Transportation
will leave Friday
at 6:00 for the
sing at the
Harrisville
congregation.



Everyone welcome!