


Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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COME TO ME,
ALL YOU WHO
LABOR AND ARE
HEAVILY BURDENED,
AND I WILL
GIVE YOU REST.
TAKE MY YOKE
UPON YOU,
AND LEARN FROM ME,
FOR I AM GENTLE AND
HUMBLE IN HEART;
AND YOU
WILL FIND REST FOR
YOUR SOULS.
FOR MY YOKE IS EASY,
AND MY BURDEN
IS LIGHT.
MATTHEW 11:28-30

In Our Prayers

Elders:

Jim Galloway
Clayton Huber
Todd Kirk
Paul Saunders

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Our church family in need of prayers

Bob Armstrong, Belinda Buckley, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Paula Franklin, Sandy Graham, Carolyn Henry, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Shirley Martin, Linda Moncrief, Debby Nesselroad, Don Nesselroad, Lois Nulter, Ray Peters, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Theresa Steed, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Joyce Wright

Prayers requested for family and friends

Morgan Amos (friend of Wades), Becky Ash (Tammy Kern's sister), Mark Berry, Jeff Bigler (Becky Inman's father), Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother), Delores Boyce (friend of Jo Langler), Kelly Boyce, Lynn Casemon (Glen Snider's Uncle), Ila Clark (Scott Johnson's Aunt), Roy Clark, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), Jeff Fitcher, Scott Gordon, Charles (Bill) Haid, Tony Haid, Judy Hall, Steve Higginbotham, Mike Hill (friend of Mike & Pam Bayer), Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Brenda Jones (friend of Rosemary Merrill), Chennie Jonas (Cousin of Sandy Hughes), Greg Kirkbride (friend of Paul Saunders), Barb Loy (Raeanne Wells' mom), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), Randy Modesitt (Brittany Gray's uncle), Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister), John Rockhold III, Korbin Schaner (Great-Grandson of the Eplers), Michele Scherer, Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise's son), Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother), Shawn Stephens, Jay & Lana Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Susan Williams.

Updates to the prayer list this week:

- Jay Chevront in Special Select Hospital in Newark, Ohio.
- Ray Sams in Belpre Landing.
- Gary Herridge is having health problems.
- Dorothy Stevens is home.
- Teresa Steed- had knee replacement surgery.
- Jeff Fitcher
- Nona Huxley, Cindy Huxley's mother-in-law is in the hospital with pneumonia and is making progress.
- Joe Wilson
- Franklin & Hazel Terry, Eloise Smiths Brother & Sister in law- having health problems.
- Dave Rice, Ralph Fox's friend is having health problems.
- Patty Dawson had hip replacement surgery on Thursday.
- Ralph Fox in Camden Clark.
- Bill Porter in Belpre Landing after falling and breaking a hip bone.

Sympathy

♥ We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Peggy Phillips. Her funeral was held last week.

Announcements

VISITORS- We are happy you can be with us today! Please complete a visitor card and place it in the basket on the communion table.

BOOK OF THE MONTH- The March book of the month is Amos. Read and then sign up on the bulletin board.

VBS MEETING- Today after P.M. Services to discuss the date, theme and teachers. Meet by door 6 in the auditorium.

WEDNESDAY MORNING CLASS - The last day for the 11am class will be this Wednesday.

MONDAY NIGHT MERGE - The final Monday Night Merge is at Little Hocking at 7pm this Monday. The bus will be leaving at 6:25pm. Let Jeff Taberner know if you will be riding the bus.

LADIES DAY- The Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies Day for 2022 will be April 23 at the North End church of Christ.

GRIEF SUPPORT CLASS- There is a sign up sheet on the counter if you are interested, or see Mark Tonkery. The class will begin tomorrow at 1:00pm in room 109 and is open to anyone.

YOUTH RALLY- AT North End church of Christ, March 18 & 19. More information on the bulletin board.

LADS TO LEADERS- If you would like to donate to help with the cost of the Lads to Leaders trip please see Todd Kirk or Bill Mills.

FOOD PANTRY- Items needed for March. Items can be left on the table in the pantry.

Care Group 1- Tomato Soup

Care Group 2- Spaghetti Noodles

Care Group 3- Chicken Noodle Soup

Care Group 4- Spam



CAMDEN AVENUE 2022 CYC GROUP

Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery

God Is Fighting For Us!

“Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the Lord, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.” (2 Kings 6:16-18).

With all the talk of war lately, it is comforting to know that God’s army is larger than any army in the world, including Satan’s. As Christians, we are fighting in a spiritual war where Satan seems to be winning. Satan fools us into believing that he has won the battles that we face and because we believe this we give up and quit. When Satan tries to make us give up, we need to be reminded that God is much stronger than Satan could ever imagine.

For those who trust in Jesus as their Lord and Savior God will give victory over Satan. God’s precious Word tells us that Christ has the power to overcome sin and death (Romans 8:37). Thus, by obeying His Word, we as Christians can benefit from Christ’s victory. We as Christians must remember that our God is great, powerful, and almighty. When we are faced with difficult times may we remember the advice of Elisha in 2 Kings 6:16-18, “Don’t be afraid.... Those who are with us are more than those who are with them.”

God can do amazing things when our eyes are open to His will. God will fight for us and will help us win the battles of life. **May we always remember that God is fighting for us!**

So he answered, “Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.”

2 Kings 6:16

Today's Sermon Notes

A.M. Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery

Judgment of the Nations

Scripture Reading: Amos 1:1-3

"The _____ of _____, who was among the sheepbreeders of _____, which he saw concerning _____ in the days of Uzziah _____ of _____, and in the _____ of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of _____, two years before the _____." Amos 1:1 NKJV

I. First, God is _____.

II. Second, there will be an _____.

III. Third, If God judges non-covenant people for their sins, what will He do to those _____?

P.M. Sermon: Doug Wells

Not your own Righteousness

Scripture Reading: Romans 3:19-24

Doug's Discussion

Truth Good Obedience Better

I absolutely love how the Church of Christ honors the Word of God. We hold it above every word of man. We get uncomfortable when sermons go too long without referencing the Bible, we teach it every time we get together, and we actively promote every member reading it on a daily basis. That is all as it should be. While others resort to fancy gimmicks and expensive distractions we are still here simply saying “we have the truth. If you want to know it come listen.” What a rich and wonderful heritage we grew up in or joined! We are chapter and verse people all the way.

Are you smiling? If so I hope what I write next doesn't make you stop. Having the truth is not the same thing as following the truth. Spend any amount of time in a Church of Christ at all and you will have the truth. The way to follow the gospel will be outlined and the lifestyle God expects from his people will be proclaimed. However . . . I hope you don't base your concept of righteousness only on having knowledge of God's will. As Paul once warned “. . .We know that we all possess knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up” (1 Corinthians 8:1). Knowledge is a great start but it's not enough. In fact, by itself it can actually make us arrogant and self-righteous. We cannot simply know God's will. We must follow it!

The church at Rome had a group of believers who were feeling pretty good about themselves because they had special knowledge of God's will – because they were well acquainted with Old Testament law. (Not like these new Gentile guys who came in here knowing nothing. Newbs.) But Paul had a word from God for them: “you, then, you who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach against stealing, do you steal? You who say that people should not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? You who brag about the law, do you dishonor God by breaking the law? As it is written: ‘God's name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you’” (Romans 2:21-24).

We have the truth, and I'm so glad we do. A great light shines into the darkness as we hold out the Word of God. That light will continue to shine bright as we remember that the heart of God's truth is love, and that we have no business teaching something that we do not follow ourselves. Remember these things and God's name will be honored and all the truth we have will point where it's supposed to – right to God.

Grief Support Class:

Who: Anyone who has had a loved one die at any time.

When: Mondays at 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (Beginning Tomorrow)

Where: The Camden Avenue Church of Christ (Room 109)

What: We will be using the Bible and discussion to help people through the grief process.

How long: The class will run for 12 weeks.

Why: Sometimes people feel depressed, lonely, and have questions about death when a loved one passes away. It is during this time people need guidance from the scriptures about this topic.

Questions: See Mark Tonkery or Rick Stanley

Congratulations

Congratulations to Brandon and Callie Sheppard on the birth of Jorja Quinn Sheppard born on Thursday, March 3rd. 7lbs 8oz and 19 inches long.



Minute of Meditation by Doug Wells Heard on FM 96.9

God is the rightful King of us all. As Acts 17:24 says, "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth". Since God made you, and all you have is because of Him, He is your King. I encourage you to be okay with that, because God is a good King.

Or, you could trade God's rule for another. There are many things out there that would rule your life if you let them. Drugs. Peer pressure. Perhaps an overbearing employer. You could also be a slave to your own desires I suppose. Many competing powers rise up as usurpers to God's throne. Will you let them rule? I can tell you this - no other will be as benevolent a ruler as the Lord. No other has such good plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Know that outside the boundaries of God's kingdom is a sad and hopeless place. Friends, let God be King. He is the best one.

Serving In Worship March 13, 2022

ELDER IN CHARGE - Todd Kirk
DEACON IN CHARGE - Steve Gray

SONG LEADERS

AM - Clayton Huber
PM - Brian Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Rick Stanley
Close - Bill Mills
6:00 PM - Scott Johnson
Close - Ronald Holleron

SCRIPTURE

AM - Ryan Highman
PM - Bob Miller

COMMUNION

AM - John Life
PM - Paul Inman



Camden Avenue Church of Christ

Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Class...15 minutes after worship
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....11:00am
Bible Study.....7:00pm

Facts and Figures

February 27, 2022

Sunday AM Service.....175 & 44 at CYC
Sunday Bible Class.....130
Sunday PM Service.....152
Wednesday AM Service.....29
Wednesday PM Service.....130
Contribution.....\$8401.00

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

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

Book of the Month

Those that signed that they read Joel in February. Keep up the great work! The book of the month for March is Amos.

Sonya Hescht	Lois Nulter
Eloise Smith	Larry Plant
Mark T. Tonkery	Sherry Hoover
Mary Daniel	Bill Hoover
Bill Mills	Charlotte Galloway
Kay Mills	Bill Davis
Sherry Sponseller	Naomi Carr
Charlotte Deem	Delmas Carr
Rosemary Merrill	Robin Anthony
Barbara Cramlet	Linda Gray
Mike Wade	Steve Gray
Paul Saunders	Donna Tice
Jim Hughes	Judy Hupp
Sandy Hughes	Leon Hupp
Joyce Wright	David Epler
Linda Hall	Christine Epler
Dot Haught	Sandy Keller
Dave Nulter	John Hall

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings
at 7:30 on WTAP
March 13
"Pleasing God"



IN
SEARCH
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Daily Bible Reading

March 7: Mark 9:30-50 & Num. 15-16
March 8: Mark 10:1-31 & Num. 17-18
March 9: Mark 10:32-52 & Num. 19-20
March 10: Mark 11:1-14 & Num. 21-22
March 11: Mark 11:15-33 & Num. 23-24
March 12: Mark 12:1-27 & Num. 25-26
March 13: Mark 12:28-44 & Num. 27-28

"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."