

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

“Where you are always welcome”

Bible Call 304-420-2416 - Recorded information on many Bible subjects

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In nothing be anxious, but in everything,  
by prayer and petition with thanksgiving,  
let your requests be made known to God.

And  
the  
**PEACE  
OF GOD**

which surpasses all understanding, will  
guard your hearts and your thoughts in

*Christ Jesus*

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

# In Our Prayers

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Bill Hoover  
Worship  
Rob Hoover  
Health, Safety & Security  
Kevin Inman  
Youth: Lads to Leaders  
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## Our church family in need of prayers

Bob Armstrong, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Patty Dawson, Paula Franklin, Sandy Graham, Carolyn Henry, John Hesch, Rosie Knox, Kim Ledsome, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Linda Moncrief, Merilee Morgan, Debby Neselroad, Lois Nulter, Ray Peters, Bill Porter, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Cotton Sayre, Theresa Steed, Dorothy Stevens, Jim Stoops, 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, Kevin Britton (Cody Hoovers Cousin), Lynn Casemon (Glen Snider's Uncle), Roy Clark, Megan Bailey Daugherty, Betty Dunn (Great Grandmother of Ryan Highman), Jeff Fitcher, Scott Gordon, Charles (Bill) 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), Allison Kirkland (friend of Gwen Johnson), Barb Loy (Raeanne Wells' mom), Gavin Pfalzgraf (Great-Grandson of Kay Martin), Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece), Glen & Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister), Dave Nicholson (friend of the Hofmanns), Michael Parsons (friend of Billie Coe), Kathy Plant, Dave Rice (Ralph Fox's friend), 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, Frank & Hazel Terry (Eloise Smith's family), Jay & Lana Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Susan Williams, Joe Wilson

## Updates to the prayer list this week:

- Megan Daugherty- Is scheduled for surgery on July 19.
- Eloise Smith
- Justin- Cindy Huxley's nephew is making progress but still has many surgeries and procedures to go.
- Helen May- Verna Huber's mother is in Encompass Health for rehabilitation following her stroke.
- Lois Nulter
- Leo Blair- Robin Anthony's brother, has stage 4 melanoma. He will have radiation on elbow (he had surgery on it a few weeks ago), also has spots in right armpit and next to kidney. Additional tests to check brain and he'll probably need to have chemo treatments as well.
- Paul Guinn- Robin Anthony's brother in law, has non Hodgkin's Lymphoma.
- Richard Cozad has been found to have cancer in his lung. He will begin treatments soon.
- Patty Workman- fell and broke her femur bone. After surgery she will be in Health South.
- Sara White- Terry Hofmann and Randy Whites Sister.

# 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.

**BIBLE BOWL-** The Camden Avenue Bible Bowl October 8, 2022, over Ezra and Nehemiah.

**KINGS ISLAND TRIP-** will be August 8. It is \$35.00 per person. The money for the trip is due to Doug Wells today.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE-** August 15, 12:00-6:00pm in the multi purpose room. There is a sign up sheet on the counter.

**CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC-** August 13th at Dupont Park.

**BOOK OF THE MONTH-** The July book of the month is Nahum. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board after you have completed the reading.

**MEN'S MEETING-** Today at 4:00pm in the multipurpose room.

**CHURCH CAMP HELP-** WVCYC All-Age week is looking for a male counselor, 21 years old or older for All-Age week July 24-29. See Mark Tonkery if you can help.

**IN SEARCH PROGRAM-** Was preempted this morning for the US Open. To make up for the change it will be broadcast on the CBS station on July 24 & 31 from 7:00-7:30am in addition to the regular WTAP broadcast from 7:30-8:00am.

## Thank You

♥ Thank you all for the beautiful cards and birthday wishes. They made me feel special. Love you all. Robin Anthony

### **BIBLE CALL**

**304.420.2416    [WWW.BIBLECALLINFO](http://WWW.BIBLECALLINFO)**

**24 HOURS A DAY    7 DAYS A WEEK.**

**BROCHURES ARE IN THE FOYERS.**

**DISTRIBUTE THEM TO FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, AND CO-WORKERS.**



# *Tonk Talk by Mark T. Tonkery*

## We're So Blessed

- If you own just one Bible, you are abundantly blessed. 1/3 of the world does not have access to even one.
  - If you woke up this morning with more health than illness, you are more blessed than the million who will not survive the week.
  - If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation, you are ahead of 500 million people around the world.
  - If you attend a church meeting without fear of harassment, arrest, or torture of death, you are more blessed than almost three billion people in the world.
  - If you have food in your refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof over your head, and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of this world.
  - If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish someplace, you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.
  - If your parents are still married and alive, you are very rare, even in the United States.
  - If you hold up your head with a smile on your face and are truly thankful, you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not.
  - If you can hold someone's hand, hug them or even touch them on the shoulder, you are blessed because you can offer God's healing touch.
  - If you prayed yesterday and today, you are in the minority because you believe in God's willingness to hear and answer prayer.
  - If you believe in Jesus as the Son of God, you are part of a very small minority in the world.
- If you can read this message, you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world that cannot read anything at all.

Be thankful to the Lord!

“And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.” – Colossians 3:15

*blessed*

# Today's Sermon Notes

AM Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery

## The Christian's Attitude

Scripture Reading: Mt. 5:1-12

I. The attitude to \_\_\_\_\_ the Christian life (Mt. 5:3-5)

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

II. The attitude to \_\_\_\_\_ in the Christian life (Mt. 5:6-9)

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

D. \_\_\_\_\_

III. The attitude to \_\_\_\_\_ the challenges of the Christian life (Mt. 5:10-12)

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

The Beatitudes teach us the attitudes we need to begin: \_\_\_\_\_

PM Sermon: Mark T. Tonkery

## Encourage one another

Scripture Reading: Heb. 3:12-13

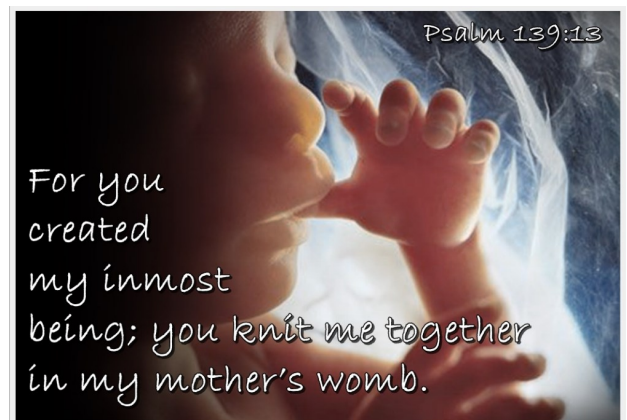
# Doug's Discussion

## Good Riddance Roe V. Wade

Last month something incredible happened. Thanks in large part to multiple conservative judges joining the supreme court Roe v. Wade finally, after fifty years, fell. This decision doesn't end the practice of abortion in America but it certainly makes it a lot more difficult throughout several of our states. I'm told the only abortion clinic in West Virginia closed, and it was joined by several others that became illegal by various state laws the moment federal protection for abortion ended. I'm going to ignore the perspective of most of our national news outlets and proclaim that this is something worth celebrating. Less innocent children will die. I would prefer none – but less is a step in the right direction.

Those of you who have participated in this victory, in any way, I encourage you to hold your head high. “But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him” (2 Corinthians 2:14). If you have prayed for this, or held signs on the side of the road while motorists threw things at you, then you be sure to rejoice in this victory! Do so even as the media tries to pretend God's victory is really a loss. Those who do so are working for their father, and I acknowledge that it is probably a pretty effective strategy. One time David was forced to fight for his life against his son Absalom. The battle was won but in the fighting David's son died, and David is crushed by the news. So “the men stole into the city that day as men steal in who are ashamed when they flee from battle” (2 Samuel 19:3). Victory was turned into defeat and the victors were ashamed.

The headlines over the last month have said things like “women's rights set back fifty years.” “World leaders alarmed by America's abortion decision.” “Women will die because of this supreme court.” So much for media being unbiased, eh? The attempt is clearly to make the victors in this battle ashamed of themselves. My headlines are: “God still at work in the hearts of Americans, even after the slaughter of innocents.” “Being friends with the world was never the goal.” “Thousands, maybe millions, of babies saved by supreme court decision.” There may be many more defeats than victories as this world heads toward judgement but today I'm thanking God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ.



For you  
created  
my inmost  
being; you knit me together  
in my mother's womb.

## You Face A Decision

The rich man **faced a decision** when the Lord told him to go and sell all he had - he made a bad decision.

Lot **faced a decision** when Abram gave him the choice as they divided the land for their herdsmen - he made a bad decision.

Gideon **faced a decision** when God reduced his men from 32,000 to 10,000 then to 300 - he made a good decision.

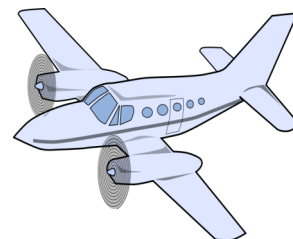
Thousands heard the gospel on the day of Pentecost. They **faced a decision** the apostles told them of their sins - about 3,000 of them made a good decision.

First century Christians **faced a decision** after they became Christians and needed to grow, learn more, serve one another - many made excellent decisions as they added to their faith, grew in knowledge, wisely used their time and energy, and developed their talents. What decision are you making?

Bulletin Digest

### *Minute of Meditation by Mark T. Tonkery Heard on FM 96.9*

With his request approved, a photographer of a well-known media outlet quickly called the local airport to charter a flight. He was told a plane would be waiting for him at the airport, so he could take pictures of the fires in Yellowstone National Park. Arriving at the airfield, he spotted a plane warming up outside a hanger. He jumped in with his bag, and shouted, "Let's go!" The pilot taxied out and took off.



Once in the air, the photographer instructed the pilot, "Fly over the valley and make low passes so I can get shots of the fires on the hillsides." "Why?" asked the pilot. "Because I'm the photographer," he responded, "and I need to get some close-up shots."

The pilot was strangely silent for a moment, finally he stammered, "So, what you're telling me is...you're not my flight instructor?"

This story is a good reminder for us to check to see who is in the cockpit of our life. Make sure it is The Lord.

*"You have put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him." Hebrews 2:8*

## Serving In Worship July 24, 2022

ELDER IN CHARGE - Clayton Huber

DEACON IN CHARGE - Rob Hoover

### SONG LEADERS

AM - Kyle Inman

PM - Gary Alton

### PRAYER

9:30 AM - Paul Saunders

Close - Keith Smith

6:00 PM - Josh Hall

Close - Marion Goldsmith

### SCRIPTURE

AM - Scott Johnson

PM - Klay Cochran

### COMMUNION

AM - Bill Hoover

PM - Ron Riddle



*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.....7:00pm

### Facts and Figures

July 10, 2022

Sunday AM Service.....181

Sunday Bible Class.....151

Sunday PM Service.....144

Wednesday PM Service.....124

Contribution.....\$

### MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

Baptisms.....4

Restored or Requested Prayers.....1

Placed Membership.....3



### Mowing Group for July 21-23

#### Team 4

Kevin Cochran

Brian Haight

Bill Merrill

Glenn Snider

## Upcoming Local Events

There is more information available on the bulletin board

SURPRISE VALLEY YOUTH CAMP- All-Age Week July 17-23. Registration forms are on the youth board.

WEST VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP (WVCYC)- Junior Week July 17-22, All Age Week July 24-29 and Singing Week July 31-Aug. 5. Registration forms are on the youth bulletin board.

NORTH CENTRAL OHIO BIBLE LECTURESHIP- Held in Lorain, Ohio. August 7-10

WEST VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP GOLF BENEFIT- Saturday August 13 at Mingo Bottom Golf Club.

VACTION BIBLE SCHOOL- Bridgeport church of Christ August 13, 9:30-12:00. Theme: Digging into God's Word.

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF PREACHING LECTURESHIP- October 23-27, 2022

### In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings

at 7:30 on WTAP

July 24

"God Answers Prayer"



### Daily Bible Reading

July 18: Acts 16:16-40 & Nehemiah 12-13

July 19: Acts 17:1-15 & Esther 1-3

July 20: Acts 17:16-34 & Esther 4-6

July 21: Acts 18 & Esther 7-10

July 22: Acts 19:1-20 & Job 1-3

July 23: Acts 19:21-41 & Job 4-6

July 24: Acts 20:1-16 & Job 7-8

*"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."*