

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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Look to the LORD
and his strength;
seek his face
always.
1 Chr 16:11



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To Keep in Prayer

Our church family in need of prayers

Bob Armstrong, Linda Camp, Harvey Caplinger Sr., Richard Cozad, Carl Curtiss, Patty Dawson, Paula Franklin, Millie Gault, Sandy Graham, Lucille Hardman, Carolyn Henry, Jon Hescht, Jim & Sallie Hinzman, Rosie Knox, Jo Langler, Kim Ledsoe, Bill Lemley, Gwen Lucas, Linda Moncrief, Merilee Morgan, Debby Nesselroad, Dave Nulter, Ray Peters, Bill Porter, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Cotton Sayre, Eloise Smith, Theresa Steed, Dorothy Stevens, Jim Stoops, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Patty Workman, Joyce Wright

Prayers requested for family and friends

Morgan Amos (friend of Wades), 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), Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son), Jeff Fitcher, Kim Fought (Jo Goldsmith's Brother), Scott Gordon, Paul Guinn (Robin Anthony's brother in law), Charles (Bill) Haid, Judy Hall, Judy Haguewood (Steve Haguewood's mother) Steve Higginbotham, Mike Hill (friend of Mike & Pam Bayer), Jean Huber (Clayton's mother), Justin (Cindy Huxley's nephew), 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), Mike Lucas, Helen May (Verna Huber's 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, Dick Rhodes (Carolyn Henry's brother), 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), Charlie Tucker and Mike Smith (Keith Smith's nephews), Shawn Stephens, Frank & Hazel Terry (Eloise Smith's family), Jay & Lana Vancamp, Seth Waggoner, Sara White (Randy White's Daughter), Susan Williams, Joe Wilson

Shut-Ins

Bob Armstrong, Naomi Carr, Keith Cowdery, Richard Cozad, Patty Dawson, Chelsea Doonan, Mildred Gault, Rosie Knox, Jo Langler, Kim Ledsoe, Janet Looney, Michael Ludwig, Doris Newberry, Calvin & Jean Martin, Merilee Morgan, Ed & Lois Porter, Van Putnam, Jenny Reynolds, Ray & Bonnie Sams, Sue VanCamp, Dearll Vincent, Martha Whited

Thank you so much for the beautiful cards for our anniversary and my birthday.

Steve and Linda Gray

Announcements

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

TRAVELING YOUTH GROUP - The Traveling Youth Group will be at North End church of Christ THIS EVENING. The bus will be leaving at 5:55. Please inform Kevin Cochran if you plan to ride on the bus.

DEACONS - Deacons are requested to have their 2023 budget figures turned in by November 16th.

BOOK OF THE MONTH - The September book of the month is Zephaniah. As you finish reading for this month, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board at the front of the auditorium. Next month's book of the month will be Haggi.

BIBLE BOWL - The Camden Avenue Bible Bowl is October 8, 2022, over Ezra and Nehemiah. Please help support this work with your prayers and attendance.

ADDRESS CORRECTION - Kim Fought's address was listed in last week's bulletin incorrectly. The correct address to send cards of encouragement is 5951 Stillwell Road, Davisville, WV 26142.

LIFE CHAIN - The Wood County Life Chain will be Sunday, October 2nd. We will not physically meet this year. Look for the add in News and Sentinel paper on Saturday, October 1st. Please see the excerpt on page five of the bulletin or the letter on the announcements bulletin boards for more information.

HOME MISSION - Mark your calendars. Home Mission will be coming to Camden Avenue November 6-9.

Updates to the prayer list this week:

- Mike Inman (brother of Paul, Stan, and Sonya) is dealing with kidney cancer and heart failure.
- Janet Tallhammer (friend of Ron Riddle) is having health issues.
- Kathy Plant is having health issues.
- Patty Nolan (cousin of Paul Saunders) has been diagnosed with brain cancer.
- Justin Curd (Cindy Huxley's nephew) is starting physical therapy and could use prayers and encouragement.

Doug's Discussion

You Show Yourself Shrewd

Children sometimes have very different experiences with the same parents. One child may think that the mom and dad are wonderful, and feel truly blessed to have them. Another may feel the same mom and dad were so harsh they just couldn't wait to get out of the house. So, what gives? Unfortunately, it's possible that the parents really did play favorites. But, another very strong possibility is something one child wouldn't like to hear. It is at least possible that the experience you had with your parents was connected to your behavior. A well-behaved child will experience parenting much differently than a rebel.

As a father, I can say from experience that I love having fun with my kids. But, I can't be "fun dad" when someone isn't behaving. On those days (or at least in those moments), I have to be "stern dad." Now, the question is, does that mean I'm two different guys? Of course not! I am the same guy either way, my children are just experiencing me differently as a result of their behavior. May we all be wise enough to understand this concept! The temptation is to put all the blame on other people when relationships are strained. We may even say things like "you've changed!" But you might be wrong on that. They may be exactly who they have always been, you're just not treating them the same as you once did. The way you experience the relationship today may be different because you aren't acting the same way you did yesterday.

This concept even extends to how we experience God. Listen to these words of David as he speaks to God: "The Lord has rewarded me according to my righteousness, according to my cleanness in his sight. To the faithful you show yourself faithful, to the blameless you show yourself blameless, to the pure you show yourself pure, but to the crooked you show yourself shrewd (2 Samuel 22:25-27)." There is but one God. Even so, you could have two people who experience the One God in very different ways. A faithful person will have one kind of experience. A crooked person will have another. The reason isn't that God is different, it's because the BEHAVIOR is different. Carefully consider your deeds. Your interaction with God can depend on them.



Today's Sermon Notes

Encouraging Ears

So then, my _____ brethren, let every man be _____ to hear,
_____ to speak, _____ to wrath

James 1:19

1: Do you think the way you listen to this sermon has any effect on the preacher?

How?

2: How can living Philippians 2:3-4 help us to be better listeners?

3: What are some verses that show God listening?

4: We all have ears. How is it (apart from medical issues) that some do not hear?

5: What image can help us understand what James' "quick to listen" means?

6: How do you think speaking and getting angry can get in the way of listening?

7: Are you willing to put in the hard work of becoming a better listener?

PM Sermon: The Sabbath Is for Us

Scripture Reading: Genesis 2:2-3

Wood County Life Chain

Thank you so much for your continued participation in the Wood County Life Chain. Sunday, October 2, 2022 will be our 29th year of supporting the National Life Chain. The First National Life Chain was on Sunday, October 4, 1987 in Yuba, California. On October 2, 2022 the Life Chain will stretch across the USA and Canada with people holding signs stating, "Abortion Kills Children." But this year we are doing the Wood County Life Chain in a different way. We are not going to stand on the sidewalk and hold the signs this year.

On Saturday, October 1, 2022 I am putting an add in the Parkersburg News and Sentinel newspaper. The add will contain a picture of the familiar sign, "ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN" and the sign "ADOPTION, THE LOVING OPTION." Our 29th Wood County Life Chain will continue to be a silent, peaceful and prayerful witness of pro life Americans supporting the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. The circulation of the day is 10,970.

May all Christians come to understand their responsibility to obey the two great commandments. Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:37-39)."

I pray that all Christians will love and protect all born and unborn children.

Thank You,
John Sheppard

*This is an excerpt. To see the full letter,
check the announcements bulletin

Minute of Meditation

Faith Comes by Hearing

by Mark Tonkery as heard on FM 96.9

The lady of the house was having a Bible study. Before the meeting was to start, she couldn't find her Bible. She searched everywhere. She rushed down to the kitchen where her new housekeeper was working and asked, "Have you seen my Bible?"

"Great," said the new housekeeper.

"What do you mean?" asked the lady.

"Well," the new employee said, "the first thing I do when I start with a new employer is to hide their Bible. I want to see how long it takes them to miss it. Yours is in the linen closet."

It would be good if everyone studied their Bible as much as they said they did. Amen. There are millions of people in the world who claim to be Christians and never pick up the Bible and read it. Romans 10:17 declares, "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

What better way to spend your time than reading the Bible, the word of God. Try it and see if it changes your life! It did mine!

Gospel Meetings

More information can be found on the Announcements bulletin boards

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS:

- 25-28 - Bridgeport church of Christ - Clinton Rowand
Lessons from New Testament Congregations
25-29 - Harmar Hill church of Christ - Keith Kress

OCTOBER MEETINGS :

- 2-5 - Bridge Street Church of Christ - Charles Pugh III
9-12 - Lubeck church of Christ - Allen Webster
(author and editor of House to House)
9-13 - Salem church of Christ - Scott Farley
Visit the Bible Booth at the Salem Apple Butter Festival Oct. 6-9
9-14 - Harrisville church of Christ - Ed Melott



September



October

Other Local Events

More information can be found on the Announcements bulletin boards

SEPTEMBER

TODAY - Mid-Ohio Valley Area Wide Sing - 3-4pm

OCTOBER

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| <p>1 - Ladies' Inspiration Day
Norval Park church of Christ
<u>Come to the Table</u>, Erin Hittle-Smith
Registration is appreciated by Sep. 28th</p> | <p>8 - Camden Avenue's 36th Annual Bible Bowl
8 - WVCYC Bluegrass and BBQ - 12pm-5pm
Bring your bag chair.</p> |
| <p>2 - Wood County Life Chain
Look for the add in 9/1 News and Sentinel</p> | <p>23-27 - WV School of Preaching Lectureship
<u>Preach the Word!</u>
Covering 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus.</p> |
| <p>7-9 - Widowhood Workshop
36th Street church of Christ
Register by October 2 to receive a free mug.</p> | |

NOVEMBER

- 6-9 - Home Mission Evangelism**
Camden Avenue church of Christ

Serving In Worship

October 2, 2022

ELDER IN CHARGE - Paul Saunders
DEACON IN CHARGE - Scott Johnson

SONG LEADERS

AM - Kyle Inman
PM - Aiden Klingler

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Paul Inman
Close - Dylan Muncy
6:00 PM - Josh Carr
Close - Bill Merrill

SCRIPTURE

AM - Kevin Inman
PM - Dennis Keller

COMMUNION

AM - Jon Hescht
PM - Keith Smith



Camden Avenue Church of Christ

Service Times

Sunday

AM Worship.....9:30
Bible Class...following worship
PM Worship.....6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00pm

Facts and Figures

September 18, 2022

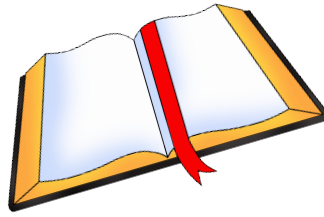
Sunday AM Service.....208
Sunday Bible Class.....167
Sunday PM Service.....153
Wednesday PM Service.....150
Contribution.....\$7,445

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

Baptisms.....4
Restored or Req. Prayers.....1

Daily Bible Reading

September 26: 2 Corinthians 4 & Proverbs 29-30
September 27: 2 Corinthians 5 & Ecclesiastes 1-3
September 28: 2 Corinthians 6 & Ecclesiastes 4-6
September 29: Galatians 1 & Ecclesiastes 7-9
September 30: Galatians 2 & Ecclesiastes 10-12
October 1: Galatians 3 & Song of Solomon 1-4
October 2: Galatians 4 & Song of Solomon 5-8



Ladies' Inspiration Day



Norval Park Church of Christ
Saturday, October 1



Speaker: Erin Hittle-Smith
Registration and Breakfast: 9-9:30
Lunch will be provided
Dismissal at 1pm
Childcare will be provided
Registration is appreciated by Sep 29

Norval Park church of Christ
845 Arch St, Zanesville, OH 43701



Life Chain

29th Annual
Wood County Life Chain
Sunday, October 2
Look for the newspaper add on 10/1

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings
at 7:30 on WTAP
September 25
"Christian"



Mowing Crew Sep 29 - Oct 1

Team 2

- 1-Cody Hoover
- 2-Dylan Muncy
- 3-Randy White
- 4-Allen Coe



"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."