


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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*The night
is far spent,*

the day

is at hand.

Therefore let us

cast off

the works of

darkness,

and let us

put on the

armor of light.

Romans 13:12

To Keep in Prayer

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Church Family in Need of Prayers

Linda Camp	Lucille Hardman	Gwen Lucas	Cotton Sayre
Harvey Caplinger Sr.	Carolyn Henry	Linda Moncrief	Eloise Smith
Mary Caplinger	Jon Hescht	Debby Nesselroad	Theresa Steed
Carl Curtiss	Jim & Sallie	Dave Nulter	Dorothy Stevens
Paula Franklin	Hinzman	Ray Peters	Jim Stoops
Sandy Graham	Bill Lemley	Bill Porter	Patty Workman

Please Pray for Our Shut-Ins

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

Prayers Requested for Family and Friends

Morgan Amos (friend of the Wades)	Barb Loy (Raeanne Wells's mom)
Mark Berry	Mike Lucas
Jeff Bigler (Becky Inman's father)	Helen May (Verna Huber's mom)
Leo Blair (Robin Anthony's brother)	Gavin Pfalzgraf (Kay Martin's G-G.son)
Delores Boyce (Jo Langler's friend)	Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece)
Kelly Boyce	Glen & Karen Morrell
Kevin Britton (Cody Hoover's Cousin)	(Linda Moncrief's sister)
Lynn Casemon (Glen Snider's Uncle)	Dave Nicholson (friend of Hofmanns)
Roy Clark	Patty Nolan (Paul Saunders's cousin)
Megan Bailey Daugherty	Michael Parsons (Billie Coe's friend)
Justin Curd (Cindy Huxley's nephew)	Kathy Plant
Betty Dunn (G-Grandma; Ryan Highman)	Dick Rhodes (Carolyn Henry's brother)
Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son)	Dave Rice (Ralph Fox's friend)
Jeff Fitcher (Ron Holleron's son-in-law)	John Rockhold III
Kim Fought (Jo Goldsmith's Brother)	Korbin Schaner (G-Grandson of Eplers)
Scott Gordon	Michele Scherer
Paul Guinn (Robin Anthony's bro.-in-law)	Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise Smith's son)
Charles (Bill) Haid	Mike Smith (Keith Smith's nephew)
Judy Hall	Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother)
Steve Higginbotham	Charlie Tucker (Keith Smith's nephew)
Mike Hill (friend Mike and Pam Bayer)	Shawn Stephens
Jean Huber (Clayton Huber's mother)	Frank & Hazel Terry (fam., Eloise Smith)
Mike Inman (bro; Paul, Stan, and Sonya)	Seth Waggoner
Brenda Jones (friend, Rosemary Merrill)	Sara White (Randy White's Daughter)
Chennie Jonas (Sandy Hughes's cousin)	Susan Williams
Greg Kirkbride (Paul Saunders's friend)	Joe Wilson (Sharon Wilson's husband)
Allison Kirkland (Gwen Johnson's friend)	

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.

MEN'S MEETING - The monthly men's meeting will be TODAY at 4:00pm in the multi-purpose room.

CYC - If you plan on attending CYC 2023, please have your registration payment to Kevin Cochran by Wednesday, October 19th. See Kevin if you have any question.

WORK DAY - There will be a work day here at the building on the evening of November 16. Please see Criss Hofmann or Ryan Highman with any questions.

L2I Art Class - We will begin monthly art classes for Lads to Leaders beginning November 19. Our first class will be Drawing and Sketching.

WEDNESDAY 11AM CLASS - The Wednesday morning Bible class will begin November 9 and run through March 8.

GLEANER CANS - Potter's Children's Home gleaner cans are available in the front lobby. Please return all cans to the building by the end of November so they can be turned in to Potter's.

COAT GIVEAWAY - The Coat Giveaway will be Thursday, October 27th from 6-8:30pm. There is a signup sheet in the foyer for anyone willing to help.

Items Needed: (in child, teen, and adult sizes)

winter coats	hoodies	socks
winter hats	vests	boots
winter jackets	scarves	tennis shoes
blankets	gloves	



If you would like to donate any of these items, bring them to the church building any time and put them in the big, red box in the front foyer.

DISASTER RELIEF - The elders have decided to send funds to Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Team from Nashville, TN and Disaster Assistance Mission out of Lake Jackson, TX for the hurricane Ian relief efforts. If you would like to make a personal donation, please see one of the elders.

DRYER AVAILABLE - If you are in need of a dryer or know anyone that is, please see Gary Alton. He has one available.

Food Pantry

For the month of October the following pantry items are needed:

Care Group 1 - fruit cups/canned fruit
Care Group 2 - macaroni and cheese
Care Group 3 - pancake mix/syrup/cereal
Care Group 4 - cans of SpaghettiOs's/beefaroni/beef ravioli

**There will be outdated food available in the foyer while it lasts. Please take as much as you would like.

Deacons:

Ken Barnes

Membership

Kevin Cochran

Youth:

6th-12 grades

Marion Goldsmith

Transportation &

Grounds

Maintenance

Doug Hershman

Financial

Jon Hescht

Technology

Ryan Highman

Building

Maintenance

Chris Hofmann

Building

Maintenance

Bill Hoover

Worship

Cody Hoover

Education

Rob Hoover

Health,

Safety & Security

Kevin Inman

Youth:

Lads to Leaders

Kyle Inman

Youth: K-5th grade

Scott Johnson

Evangelism

Jeff Taberner

Benevolence



Camden Avenue
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Doug's Discussion

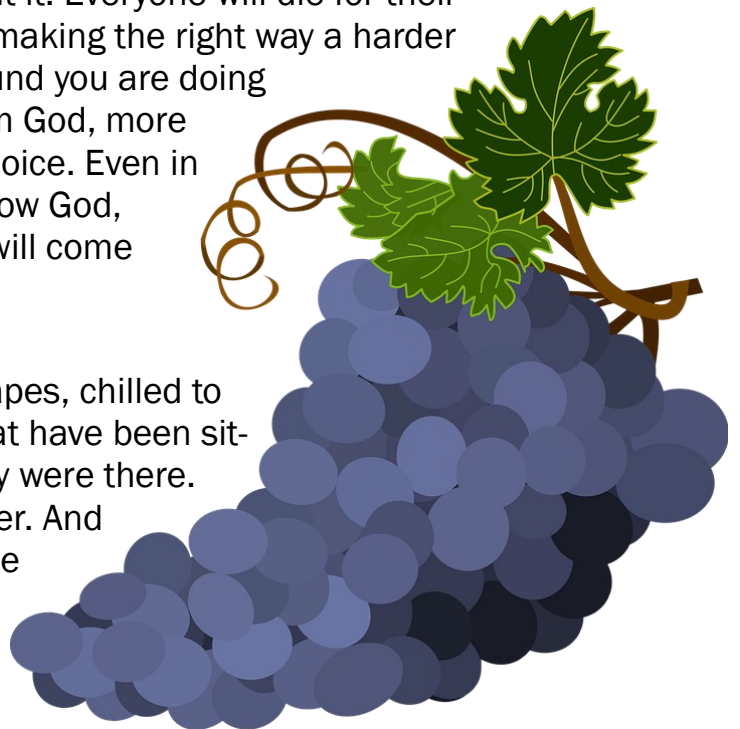
Concerning Sour Grapes

There is some discussion in the Bible, especially in the Old Testament, about whether we are guilty of sin by individual choice or by association. For example, if your community is involved in some sin does that make you guilty because you are a part of that community? If your own father commits sin are you guilty because of the sin of your father? Prophets like Jeremiah gave God's answer to the confusion and made it clear that the ultimate responsibility for sin (and the penalty for sin) rested on the individual. "In those days people will no longer say, 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge.' Instead, everyone will die for his own sin; whoever eats sour grapes - his own teeth will be set on edge" (Jeremiah 31:29-30).

That being said, people were confused about this for a reason. The Israelites noticed that when the fathers ate "sour grapes" the children would often experience consequences because of their misdeeds. Sometimes this was because sin has collateral damage. (Consider the forty years of wandering in the wilderness - to give one example.) Other times, it was because it is was hard not to follow the example of your community or your parents. Once sin enters a place, it can easily create a downward spiral in the culture. Pulling out of something like that is really hard. That's why some of the greatest heroes in the Bible are people like Gideon. Judges 6 tells us that he pulled down his father's altar to Baal at God's instruction. That must have been a difficult thing to do! Or, consider one of my favorite kings: Hezekiah. He rejected his father's idolatry and spent his reign turning Judah back to God.

Since, ultimately, responsibility is on the individual, someone (even in the worst of situations) has to heroically make the choice to turn things around. Someone has to shut the door of their home to sin and open their heart to God. At the judgment, "It's my parent's fault," or, "It's what all my neighbors were doing," isn't going to cut it. Everyone will die for their own sin. And woe to those who lead others astray, making the right way a harder choice to see! Will you be different, even if few around you are doing what is right? If our culture keeps drifting away from God, more and more people are going to have to make that choice. Even in an immoral land with immoral parents, you can follow God, and, by doing so, help pave the way for those who will come after you.

It's the difference between freshly picked grapes, chilled to perfection in your home's refrigerator, and ones that have been sitting there for two weeks because people forgot they were there. I've eaten both, and I can tell you which ones I prefer. And then your child, looking for a snack, reaches into the bag and pulls one of those gross grapes out and . . . well . . . it doesn't go well, does it? Reject sin. Choose God. Avoid sour grapes.



Today's Sermon Notes

Jesus' Plan to Encourage

Scripture Reading: John 8:10-11

When _____ had raised Himself up and saw _____ but the _____, He said to her, "_____, where are those _____ of yours? Has no one _____ you?"
She said, "_____, Lord." And _____ said to her, "Neither do I _____ you; go and sin no more."

1: Who would you be if you were defined by your worst moment?

2: What would it be like to be introduced to others by your "worst" sin(s)?

3: Do you think what Jesus said to the woman caught in adultery (John 8:10-11) was encouraging to her? How so?

4: What might be different if Jesus didn't see more in Matthew than what others saw?

5: Jesus built Peter up even while knowing what he would one day do. Can you find it in your heart to encourage those who YOU know will make mistakes?

6: What might people eventually believe if you tell them they can do better?

What if you tell them they can't?

7: I believe that you can follow the example of Jesus and encourage others as He did. Does that inspire you to do exactly that?

PM Sermon: Give Me the End
Scripture Reading: Genesis 6:5-7

Thank You!



Thank you to everyone that worked so hard for our Bible Bowl last Saturday! Many members gave their time and energy to make this year's Bible Bowl a success. There are too many to mention by name, but we appreciate each and every one of you!

Congratulations to all our participants that worked so hard this year!

Youth Team 1 - Cadence Hescht, Teagan Hescht, Henley Hoover, Kasen Inman (coach: Brandi Hescht)

3rd Place - This team also had the youngest participants at the Bible Bowl

Youth Team 2 - Kate Barnes, Leah Hoover, Bailey Inman, Kenzie Inman (coach: Todd and Annette Kirk)

2nd Place - Congratulations!

Teens - Ali Cochran, Klay Cochran, Clifton Inman, Levi Wells (coach: Doug Wells)

2nd Place - This team also won a scholarship for WV Christian Youth Camp

Adults - Amanda Cochran, Susan Anderson, Melva Farris, Brandi Hescht (coach: Bill Mills)

2nd place - This category had the most participants at the Bible Bowl

Ali Cochran - Won the Teen Individual High Score

Melva Farris - Placed second overall in Individual High Score

Upcoming Events

More information can be found on the Announcements bulletin boards

Camden Avenue Events

OCTOBER

TODAY - Men's Meeting - 4:00pm
Multipurpose Room

27 - Coat Giveaway - 6-8:30pm
There is a sign up sheet in the foyer for anyone that can help.
Please bring any donations to the red box in the foyer.

NOVEMBER

6-9 - Home Mission
Times: 6pm Sun. 7pm Mon.-Wed.

9 - Wednesday 11am class begins

14 - Work Night

19 - Lads to Leaders Art Class (more details to come)

Other Local Events

OCTOBER:

16-19 - Mannington church of Christ Gospel Meeting
Speaker: Rick Tincher
"I Need a Boost"

23-27 - WV School of Preaching Lectureship
"Preach the Word!"
Covering 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus.

28-29 - Bridgeport Youth Rally "Honor"
Fri 6-9pm, Sat 8am-2pm
Kyle Lancaster and Peter Ray Cole
Jackson Mills Conference Center

Thank you for all your prayers. Our church family means so much to us.

You all have been a blessing through all our illnesses for the past two years and the death of our son, Ron.

God bless each and every one of you.
The Lord works wonders through wonderful people like you.

In Christian Love,
Harvey and Mary Caplinger

Home Mission

Speaker: Allan Stephens

Date & Time: Sunday, November 6th at 6pm
Mon-Wed, November 7-9 at 7pm

Sessions:

Sunday 9:30am

How to Have a Healthy Church

Sunday Bible Class

How to Be a Star

Sunday 6pm

H. A. N. G. E. R. Session

(congregational suggestions for church growth)

Monday 7pm

Foundations for Disciples

(New Christian training)

Tuesday 7pm -

Habanero Ministry

(Record keeping and contact producing)

Wednesday 7pm -

Take off Session

(signup for Habanero Ministry, voting, and gift giving)

Serving In Worship

October 23, 2022

ELDER IN CHARGE - Todd Kirk
D. IN CHARGE - Scott Johnson

SONG LEADERS

AM - John Life
PM - Brian Haught

PRAYER

9:30 AM - Clayton Huber
Close - Ryan Highman
6:00 PM - Bill Hoover
Close - Daniel Rich

SCRIPTURE

AM - Kevin Cochran
PM - Klay Cochran

COMMUNION

AM - Paul Saunders
PM - Delmas Carr



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

October 9, 2022

Sunday AM Service.....204
Sunday Bible Class.....153
Sunday PM Service.....146
Wednesday PM Service.....145
Contribution.....\$8,322

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

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

Daily Bible Reading

October 17: Col. 3 & Isa. 45-47

October 18: Col. 4 & Isa. 48-50

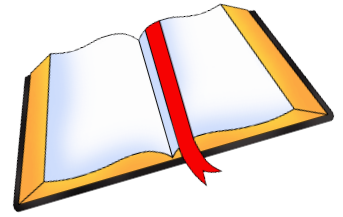
October 19: 1 Thes. 1 & Isa. 51-54

October 20: 1 Thes. 2 & Isa. 55-58

October 21: 1 Thes. 3 & Isa. 59-63

October 22: 1 Thes. 4 & Isa. 64-66

October 23: 1 Thes. 5 & Jer. 1-2



November Birthdays/Anniversaries

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 - Brian Knotts | 17 - Drake Logston |
| 2 - Kevin Inman | 18 - Mary Caplinger |
| 4 - Rochelle Young | 18 - Kelly Fleak |
| 5 - Clifton Inman | 18 - Josh Hall |
| 5 - Rebecca Miller | 21 - Gwen Johnson |
| 5 - Oattie Galloway | 22 - Van Putnam |
| 8 - Natalie Haught | 22 - Braidon & Lexi Knotts |
| 8 - Leon Hupp | 23 - Carol Vincent |
| 8 - Peggy Riddle | 23 - Tabetha Rich |
| 10 - Ralph Fox | 24 - Linda Hall |
| 11 - Parker Hoover | 24 - Kay Stanley |
| 11 - Bill & Sherry Hoover | 25 - Debby Nesselroad |
| 14 - Kimberlee Shears | 25 - Mary Nesselroad |
| 14 - Klara Barnes | 26 - Bonnie Sams |
| 16 - Lexi Knotts | 28 - Bob Armstrong |
| 17 - Gary Alton | 29 - Chelsea Inman |

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday mornings
at 7:30 on WTAP
October 23

"Christ's Truthful Mind"



Mowing Crew Oct 20-22

Team 1

Kevin Inman
Kyle Inman
Kody Inman
Korey Inman



"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."