

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue, Parkersburg, WV 26101

304-428-0504

Sunday AM Worship.....9:30

Sunday PM Worship.....6:00pm

Sunday Bible Class.....10:45

Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00pm

“Where you are always welcome!”

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*“Oh give thanks to the LORD,  
for he is good; for his steadfast  
love endures forever!”*

*1 Chronicles 16:34*



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Recorded  
information on  
many Bible  
subjects

# *To Keep in Prayer*

## Church Family in Need of Prayers

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

## 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	

## Prayer Request for Friends and Family

Morgan Amos (friend of the Wades)	Allison Kirkland (Gwen Johnson's friend)
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 (Linda Moncrief's sister)
Kevin Britton (Cody Hoover's Cousin)	Dave Nicholson (friend of Hofmanns)
Lynn Casemon (Glen Snider's Uncle)	Patty Nolan (Paul Saunders's cousin)
Roy Clark	Michael Parsons (Billie Coe's friend)
Megan Bailey Daugherty	Kathy Plant
Brian Decker (Ken Barnes's coworker)	Dick Rhodes (Carolyn Henry's brother)
Justin Curd (Cindy Huxley's nephew)	Dave Rice (Ralph Fox's friend)
Betty Dunn (G-Grandma; Ryan Highman)	John Rockhold III
Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son)	Korbin Schaner (Eplers' g-grandson)
Jeff Fitcher (Ron Holleron's son-in-law)	Michele Scherer
Kim Fought (Jo Goldsmith's Brother)	Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise Smith's son)
Scott Gordon	Mike Smith (Keith Smith's nephew)
Charles Gray (Steve Gray's father)	Elsie Smith (Hubers' granddaughter)
Paul Guinn (Robin Anthony's bro.-in-law)	Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother)
Charles (Bill) Haid	Mandy Townsend (Mary Daniel's gr.dau.)
Judy Hall	Charlie Tucker (Keith Smith's nephew)
Steve Higginbotham	Shawn Stephens
Mike Hill (friend Mike and Pam Bayer)	Frank & Hazel Terry (fam., Eloise Smith)
Jean Huber (Clayton Huber's mother)	Seth Waggoner
Mike Inman (bro; Paul, Stan, and Sonya)	Sara White (Randy White's Daughter)
Brenda Jones (friend, Rosemary Merrill)	Susan Williams
Chennie Jonas (Sandy Hughes's cousin)	Joe Wilson (Sharon Wilson's husband)
Danny Keller (Denny Keller's brother)	
Greg Kirkbride (Paul Saunders's friend)	

# Announcements

**VISITORS** - We are so glad that you are here today! Please fill out an attendance card from the pew in front of you and place it in the baskets on the communion table up front.

**TEACHERS NEEDED** - Teachers and helpers are needed for Sunday and Wednesday in the two year old class and a Sunday co-teacher for middle school. Please see Cody Hoover if you have any questions or are able to help.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** - Care group four will host our monthly fellowship meal TODAY following Bible Class. Everyone is invited to attend!

**WORK NIGHT** - There will be a work night here at the building TOMORROW beginning at 6:00pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

**FRIDAY NIGHT SING** - The sing will be November 18 from 7-9pm at the Twin City Opera House in McConnelsville, OH, hosted by the Seventh Street church of Christ. The bus will be leaving the building at 5:30pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer if you plan to ride.

**MEN'S MEETING** - Sunday, November 20th at 4pm in the multipurpose room.

**RAKE AND RUN** - Sunday, November 20 following Bible classes. There are sign-up sheets in the foyer for those raking and for those that need their yards raked.

**POTTERS CHILDRENS HOME** - Additional funds from the church budget are being sent to help with increases in their operating costs. If you would like to personally donate, please give cash/check to Jeff Taberner or one of the Elders no later than November 27th. Please indicate it's for Potter's Children's Home.

**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.

## Updates to the Prayer List:

- ♥ Danny Keller (Denny Keller's brother) is in the hospital in Morgantown with a collarbone issue.
- ♥ Lesta Greer (Rick Stanley's relative) is home after bring in the hospital in FL.
- ♥ Sarah White (Randy White's daughter) had a serious operation this week.
- ♥ Dearll Vincent is now on hospice care.
- ♥ Sarah Buckley is in Camden Clark in room 507.

Elsie Smith (Clayton and Verna Huber's granddaughter) is battling cancer. Cards can be sent to:  
123 Thompson Road, Russell KY 41169

## Deacons:

Ken Barnes  
Membership

Kevin Cochran  
Youth: Teens

Marion Goldsmith  
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& Grounds

Doug Hershman  
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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-5

Scott Johnson  
Evangelism

Jeff Taberner  
Benevolence

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# Doug's Discussion

## Actions and Results

I think it falls within the realm of common sense to believe that if you do what you have been doing you will get the results that you have been getting. Sure, circumstances may drastically change and make this not true, but, typically, we can see this play out in all kinds of situations. You say you eat five donuts for breakfast every day and you feel like garbage? Well, I'm a little jealous. But, I also suspect that if you keep eating those donuts you will keep feeling like garbage. You say you won't help your wife with anything at home and your marriage is in trouble? Well . . . perhaps if you tried a different strategy things might turn around. Or, you could keep not doing what you're not doing. Just don't expect anything to be different.

Churches experience the same phenomenon. Because change is scary (and a lot of work), and new things are generally frowned upon, churches tend to do the same things that they have been doing for years. Before circumstances changed, these things might have worked very well, but perhaps not so well anymore. No matter! Let's keep on with everything exactly the same and things will be different tomorrow, right? Common sense says, "No." Now . . . keep in mind that I'm not talking about doctrine here. We add or take away nothing from the Word. Never change that. The best way, the best methods, to live out the Word is often a different story. Those can change from year to year. If a church wants different results than the ones they are currently getting then I would suggest they think about looking for and experimenting with better methods than the ones they are currently using.

I commend the eldership at Camden Avenue for desiring a renewed focus on evangelism, and for bringing in Home Mission to get our minds working on good evangelistic goals last week. The last few years, we have had a few baptisms every year – and every one of them is wonderful. If we just carried on as we are that's probably what we would continue to have – a few baptisms a year, sometimes losing the person shortly afterward. This is probably better than

the average church is doing in America – but it is in the hearts of the leaders to do even more. To follow the example of Jesus: "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost" (Luke 19:10). I guess the question becomes: are you willing to change something about how you live your life in order to follow Jesus in this way? Would you be willing to take part in a ministry that's different (still Biblical of course) from anything that you've done before? If we want different results from the ones we have been getting, we have to do something different. That's how results work. God bless you if you're willing to try.



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# Sermon Notes

## Work Out Your Salvation

“Therefore, my \_\_\_\_\_, as you have always \_\_\_\_\_, not as in my \_\_\_\_\_ only, but now much more in my \_\_\_\_\_, work out your own \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_; for it is \_\_\_\_\_ who works in \_\_\_\_\_ both to \_\_\_\_\_ and to \_\_\_\_\_ for His \_\_\_\_\_.” Philippians 2:12-13

1: How dedicated is the typical Olympic athlete and is their prize guaranteed? (1 Cor. 9:24-27)

2: What would happen if one of the runners ran aimlessly?

3: How does a Christian begin the race?

How do they end it?

4: What are some verses that show that the middle of the race is important too?

5: What are some goals that God gives us for our time here on Earth?  
(1 John 2:6; 2 Peter 1:5-7; 2 Corinthians 5:18; 2 Peter 3:18)

6: What can happen if you're not careful while training?

What can happen if you're not careful with your soul?  
(Luke 13:23-24; Hebrews 4:11; 2 Peter 1:10-11)

7: The race can be hard, but what awaits us at the end? (2 Corinthians 4:17)

8: Are you willing to train hard for the prize that is guaranteed in Christ?

# Thank You



Thank you to everyone who helped with Trunk or Treat! We had about 120 people total!

Thank you for the birthday well wishes and cards!  
-Kyle Inman

A special THANKS to my loving church family for the cards, text messages, hugs and well wishes for my birthday -- what a blessing you are!  
-Peggy Riddle



The Widow, Widower, and Veterans Dinner was a great success! Thank you to all the volunteers and youth that came to help. And a special thank you to all of our guest!

## *Minute of Meditation*

*Heard on FM 96.9*

High in the Canadian Rockies is a rushing stream called Divide Creek. At one point in its course, the waters reached a large boulder and flowed on either side of it. The water that travels to the left of the boulder rushes down into the Kicking Horse River and, finally, into the Pacific Ocean. The water which travels to the right of the large rock makes its way down into the Bow River, which empties into more rivers, and then into the Atlantic Ocean.

Once the water divides at that boulder, its ultimate destiny is decided. Downstream from that great rock, the course cannot be altered. The left side goes to the Pacific and the right side goes to the Atlantic.

Every person meets his own divide point. Spiritually speaking, the Great Divide comes when one decides to obey the Gospel of Christ or to reject Him. John 3:36 puts it this way, "He who believes in the Son has eternal life; he who does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God rests upon him" (RSV).

I am Mark T. Tonkery and this has been a Minute of Meditation from the Camden Avenue church of Christ, where you are always welcome.

# Upcoming Events

More information can be found on the Announcements bulletin boards  
**Camden Avenue Events** **Local Events**

## NOVEMBER

- 13 Fellowship Meal - TODAY**  
Hosted by care group 4
- 14 Work Night - 6pm**  
There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.
- 19 Art Class - 10:00 - 3:00**  
Drawing and Sketching  
Lunch will be provided.
- 20 Rake and Run - 12:00**  
There are sign-up sheets in the foyer.  
Rakers, please bring chips and deserts.
- 20 Men's meeting - 4pm**  
Multipurpose Room

## NOVEMBER

- 6-9 Hopewell Gospel Meeting**  
Sun 6pm; Mon-Wed 7pm  
Speaker: David Lipe
- 13-18 Pennsboro Gospel Meeting**  
Sun 9:30am, 10:30, 6pm; Mon-Wed 7pm  
Speaker: Phil Grear
- 18 Friday Night Sing - 7-9pm**  
Twin Cities Opera House,  
McConnelsville, OH  
The bus will be leaving at 5:30pm.  
(There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.)



**Art Class**  
Saturday, November 19  
10:00 - 3:00

Our first class will be drawing and sketching.  
These will be every month to learn art skills and  
to help prepare for Lads to Leaders.

**Morning session** - drawing and sketching  
techniques  
**Lunch** - will be provided  
**Afternoon session** - skills practice

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Sunday, November 20  
following Bible classes.

There are sign-up sheets in the foyer for those  
raking and for those that need their yards raked.  
Rakers, please bring chips and deserts

**Attention:** The Lads to Leaders Bible Bowl app is  
now available for both apple and android.

## Serving in Worship

Nov 20, 2022

### Elder in Charge

Todd Kirk

### Deacon in Charge

Jeff Taberner

### Song Leader

AM - Ryan Highman

PM - David Epler

### Scripture

AM - Doug Hershman

PM - Kyle Inman

### Prayer

9:30 AM - Josh Hall

Close - Levi Wells

6:00 PM - Scott Johnson

Close - Delmas Carr

### Communion

AM - Daniel Rich

PM - Steve Gray

### Welcome Center

AM - Terry Hofmann

PM - Theresa Wade

PA System - Jim Galloway

Projector - Jon Hescht

Security - Ken Barnes



## Food Pantry

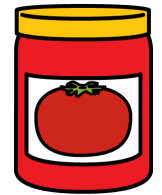
November Needs

Care group 1 - crackers

Care group 2 - pasta sauce

Care group 3 - jelly/peanut butter

Care group 4 - macaroni and cheese

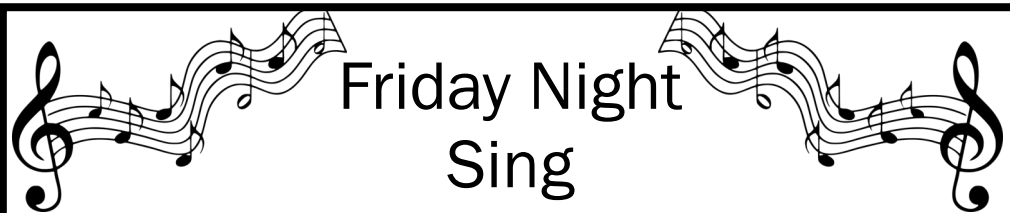


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## Facts and Figures

Oct 30, 2022

Sunday AM Worship.....	218
Sunday Bible Class.....	174
Sunday PM Worship.....	158
Wednesday PM.....	126
Contribution.....	\$17,494

### Membership 2022

Baptisms.....	5
Restored/Req. Prayer.....	1

## In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday morning  
7:30 on WTAP  
November 20  
"Giving Thanks"



## Daily Bible Reading

Nov 13: Heb 4 & Jer 51

Nov 14: Heb 5 & Jer 52

Nov 15: Heb 6 & Lam 1-2

Nov 16: Heb 7 & Lam 3-4

Nov 17: Heb 8 & Eze 1-3

Nov 18: Heb 9 & Eze 4-7

Nov 19: Heb 10 & Eze 8-11

*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.*