

# Camden Avenue Church of Christ

2900 Camden Avenue, Parkersburg, WV 26101      304-428-0504

Sunday AM Worship.....9:30am

Sunday Bible Class.....10:45am

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

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

“Where you are always welcome!”

*“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.” 1 Corinthians 15:58*



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Recorded  
information on many  
Bible subjects

# TO KEEP IN PRAYER

In an effort to keep our prayer list up-to-date and give adequate focus to all those in need of prayer, please give any updates on prayer requests to the office. Names are rotated monthly unless there are new updates or otherwise indicated.

## **CHURCH FAMILY**

Barbara Cramlet	Gwen Lucas	Mary Nesselroad	Cotton Sayre
Dot Haught	Mike Lucas	Ray Peters	Eloise Smith
Judy Hupp	Debby Nesselroad	Summer Rich	Dorothy Stevens
Nita Faye Leach			Joyce Wright

## **SHUT-INS**

Bob Armstrong	Ed & Lois Porter	<b><u>Cedar Grove</u></b>	<b><u>Wyngate</u></b>
Harvey Caplinger	Van Putnam	Janet Looney	Rosellen Allen
Naomi Carr	Jenny Reynolds	(Connie Hickman)	(Carol Vincent)
Keith Cowdery	Bonnie Sams	Jean Huber	
Patty Dawson	Sue Vancamp	(Clayton Huber)	<b><u>The Willows</u></b>
Charlotte Deem		Helen May	Doris Newberry
Jim & Sallie	<b><u>Love &amp; Care</u></b>	(Verna Huber)	Deloris Boyce
Hinzman	Susan Haid		(Jo Langler)
Jo Langler	Mildred Gault	<b><u>Colonial House</u></b>	Jenny Reynolds
Linda Moncrief		Lucille Hardman	

## **FRIENDS & FAMILY**

Zach Adams (from Elizabeth)	Ronda Moats-Redman (Brenda Dougherty)
Sawyer Bennett (Tabetha Rich)	Chris Morris (friend of Susan Anderson)
Linda Bowie (Van Sprague's mother)	Gloria Morris (Darrell & Norma Vaught)
Kelly Boyce (Jo Langler's boyfriend)	Patty Moore (Cindy Huxley's sis.-in-law)
Howard Buskirk (Jo Langler's friend)	Becky Moyers (Cindy Huxley's sister-in-law)
Julanne Deitrich (Debra Bonar's sister)	Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister)
John Doll (Sandy Keller's father)	Amanda Muncy (Dylan Muncy's mom)
Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son)	Trish Nemsek (Patty Dawson's daughter)
Becky England (Tabetha Rich's Aunt)	Scott Pralley (Bill Pralley's son)
Kim Fought (Jo Goldsmith's brother)	Jeff Ruppenthal (friend of John Bonar)
Jim Frashure (a friend of the Hughes')	Scott Ruppenthal (friend of John Bonar)
Thomas Guerra (friend of Tabetha Rich)	Elizabeth Scarbrough's family
Cathie Haught (Brian Haught's mom)	Korbin Schaner (Eplers' g-grandson)
Christie Hensley (Vivian Fadelvich's niece)	Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise Smith's son)
Jeff Huxley (Cindy Huxley's husband)	Elsie Smith (Hubers' granddaughter)
Stormy Huxley (Cindy Huxley's niece)	Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother)
Mike Inman (bro; Paul, Stan, & Sonya)	Hazel Terry (family of Eloise Smith)
Michelle Jones	Karen Toms (Donna Tice's daughter)
Paisley Lemley (d. friend, Tabetha Rich)	Charlie Tucker (Keith Smith's nephew)
Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece)	Gary Vincent (Carol Vincent's brother-in-law)
Marilyn Miskcvish	Danny Wilson (Cindy Huxley's brother-in-law)

## **UPDATES TO THE PRAYER LIST**

♥ Jenny Reynolds is in Camden Clark, room 409 following surgery.

# 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 pass it to the nearest aisle.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** — Today will be our monthly fellowship meal following services in the multi-purpose room, which can be found down the stairwell at the end of the hallway behind the auditorium.

**WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES** — The new Wednesday adult Bible classes will begin this Wednesday. DJ Curry will be teaching “The Gospels” in the auditorium. Rick Stanley will be teaching the New Converts class in room 112. Doug Wells will be teaching “Hebrew Vocabulary” in room 109.

**FRIDAY NIGHT SING** — The Friday Night Sing this week will be at the Freeport church of Christ in Freeport, OH and also the Wingett Run church of Christ in Wingett Run, OH, both beginning at 7:00. There is a 2024 schedule in the front lobby.

**TRIVIA NIGHT HONDURAS FUNDRAISER** — The Singles Mingle Group is putting together a team for the Trivia Night at the Grand Central church of Christ on Friday, March 15 at 7:00. The fundraiser will be raising money for a mission trip to Honduras. Cost is \$10 per person. Anyone is invited to join. See Josh Carr if you have any questions.

**NORTH END YOUTH RALLY** — This weekend, March 15 & 16, Matt Cook will be speaking on the theme “Interact: Jesus’ Interactions in Luke.” Registration forms are by the announcements bulletin board at the front of the auditorium.

**MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER** — MNFTM will begin again March 18. Dinner will be bring your best soup and will begin at 6:00. After we eat we will have a work/visitation night. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby.

**LADS TO LEADERS DONATIONS** — Our youth will be headed to the Lads to Leaders Convention on March 28-29. If you would like to help with the cost of the trip, please see Kevin Inman, Todd Kirk, or Bill Mills.

**TEDDY BEAR MINISTRY** — The next Teddy Bear Making Session will be Thursday, April 11 at 9:30 in the multi-purpose room. There are Teddy Bear kits available in the office for those wishing to help with the effort.

Thank you all for your cards, calls, and messages during my past few surgeries.  
-Debby Nesselroad



We extend our deepest condolences to Bill Pralley and his family in the death of his son Scott Pralley on Friday after a battle with cancer.

Our sympathy is with the family Okey Sheppard, a former member of Camden Avenue, in his passing on March 5. Visitation will be today from 2-5 and services will be held 11:00 on Monday, March 11, both at Leavitt Funeral Home of Belpre.

## Deacons:

Kevin Cochran  
Youth: Teens

Doug Hershman  
Financial

Jon Hescht  
Technology

Ryan Highman  
Maintenance

Chris Hofmann  
Maintenance

Cody Hoover  
Education

Kevin Inman  
Lads to Leaders

Kyle Inman  
Youth: K-5

Jeff Taberner  
Benevolence

## We Care Ministry:

**Red Team**  
Roy Halstead

**Yellow Team**  
Rick Stanley

**Green Team**  
Mike & Teresa  
Wade

**Blue Team**  
Chris & Terry  
Hofmann

**Motivation Team**  
DJ Curry

**Operations**  
Bill Hoover

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# CURRY CONNECTION

## *A Yes Man is Not Always Saying Yes*

"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other..." (Matthew 6:24 NKJV).

It is another busy day at the plant, and the supervisor approaches with a smile. James and the supervisor are good friends and not just co-workers, "Hey buddy, do you care to stay a little late today to get this inventory done?" James returns the smile and says, "Sure thing, buddy! Not a problem!"

James' cell phone is ringing again, and the voice on the other end asks, "Do you care to do this for us? I know this is not normally your thing, but we trust you will be the one to get it done." James always works hard at everything he does and pulls through in the end. So James says, "Yeah, I will get it done for you!" James is known to be the one to get things done. People come to James all the time for this very reason.

James' neighbor now drops in and says, "Hey, I know this is last minute, but this weekend, could you help my friend move?" James has been on the roll of saying "Yes!" all day. "Sure!" James replies, and as his neighbor runs off, he yells back, "That is what I love about you, James! You say yes to everything!"

As the door closed, those words echoed in James' mind: "You say yes to everything!" The truth is that James says no a lot, too. The Christian has the right to say no. "But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one" (Matthew 5:37). The key is to be able to discern when to say "Yes!" versus "No!" James said "Yes" a lot today, but let us look at what he said no to.

"Yes," to the supervisor to work over, said "No" to James' youngest son, who wanted to play hide and seek before his bedtime. "Yes" to committing to that new thing over the phone, said "No" to Jeanie, who was planning a family activity. "Yes" to helping your neighbor's friend move over the weekend, said "No" to God on Sunday worship. We see that being a "Yes man" is not always saying "Yes" but telling someone else, like your God, your family, or yourself, "No."

Be careful what you are saying yes to. "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil." (Ephesians 5:15-16).



Journey with Dr. Jeff as he leads Creation enthusiasts into the pre-Flood Petrified Forest, Painted Desert, Meteor Crater, S P Crater Volcano, Lowell Observatory (where Pluto was discovered), Wupatki National Monument, Lava River Cave, and, as a finale, the Grand Canyon. What better way to learn about the greatest work the Lord did to the Earth than an immersive experience with an expert on the subject?

The price for the trip is \$599 (ages 5 and under are free), which can be paid online or by check.

For more information about the trip, email Jeff Miller at: [Jeff@apologeticspress.org](mailto:Jeff@apologeticspress.org)

# SERMON NOTES

## *Gaining the Word*

Scripture Reading: James 1:23-25

Speaker: Doug Wells

- 1: Is it good to be able to use scripture in regular conversation and to do it often? (1 Peter 4:11)
  
- 2: Do you have a few scriptures in mind that you could go through if someone asked you about the gospel? If so, what are the references?
  
- 3: Do you know what you are typically tempted with? And do you have scripture ready to address those temptations?
  
- 4: Even if we sometimes read the Word, what are some reasons why we might not be able to answer these kinds of questions positively? (Ecclesiastes 10:10, Matthew 13:19, James 1:23-24)
  
- 5: What is the first step in the “roadmap to blessing” in James 1:25? (And are you currently following this step?)
  
- 6: What is the second step in the “roadmap to blessing” in James 1:25?
  
- 7: What are some ways we can achieve this second step? (Deuteronomy 6:7, Hebrews 5:14)
  
- 8: Are you going to follow my advice concerning office supplies?
  
- 9: What is the final step on the “roadmap to blessing” in James 1:25?
  
- 10: Are you willing to take that step this morning?

PM Sermon: It's in the Name  
Scripture Reading: Proverbs 22:1  
Speaker: Doug Wells

# DOUG'S DISCUSSION

## What's in Your Storeroom?

One time, as a traveling college student, I, along with a couple of friends, stayed as a guest at a wealthy man's home. This man entertained us by showing us a few of his many treasures. He had the most extensive gun collection I've ever seen. Besides having a field cannon in his living room, he also brought out several handguns and rifles for us to admire. One of those was a handgun taken from a Nazi soldier in his service in WWII! I was later told by someone who attended church with this man that I didn't even see his "good" guns. He kept those locked in a safe, including a gun made of solid gold. That doesn't seem practical, but I'll go with it. I'll tell you one thing . . . anyone attempting to rob that house is likely to regret their life choices, like the choice of bringing a gun to a field cannon fight.

Yes, he was a wealthy man. Yes, he had many treasures. Do you know that you can be wealthier still? Jesus says in Matthew 13:52, "...every teacher of the law who has been instructed about the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old." If you know the Old Testament, you have treasure. If you know the New Testament, you have treasure. In fact, these treasures provide us with everything needed for "life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3). I notice in scripture that Jesus was never particularly concerned with money or worldly goods. He knew that these things, though some might be useful for defending your temporary home (like the field cannon), would pass away. This is one reason why the one who possesses the Word is richer than the rich man. Jesus proclaims, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away" (Matthew 24:35).

If anyone came to my home, I would have no real material treasures of which to speak. Nothing that would impress you. But I pray to God that I can always provide a treasure that is better than any worldly thing for any interested visitor. I pray that "out of my storeroom" I can bring treasures to meet needs and answer the important questions. I pray that I can answer the question of how someone can be saved and how they can live in a way that pleases God. And I pray that you can also bring this kind of treasure to people whenever you have the opportunity to do so. You can? Then those who visit you just enter a home complete with storerooms filled with treasures, new and old.

## MINUTE OF MEDITATION

*Heard on V96.9 and WVAM 98.1 FM, 107.9 FM, and AM 1450*

### Mistakes Were Made

Since nobody is perfect, eventually, someone you're close to is going to make a mistake. Let's say they didn't mean to do it. They even apologize afterward.

Maybe this person said something foolish while you were in a conversation with them. Maybe they did something selfish without really thinking about it. Whatever it was, they're sorry. They will try to do better next time. So . . . now what? How will you treat them afterward?

After a public mistake is made, there are some who will treat the offender differently until their dying day. There are people who – once you have offended them, you are now a second-class citizen in their eyes. But I encourage you – don't be like that. That kind of attitude is very discouraging to someone trying to do what is right. Instead, follow 2 Corinthians 2:7, which says: "Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow."

Remember – you make mistakes, too. And I'm sure that after you accidentally offend, you would want others to forgive and comfort you. It's only fair to extend this same grace to others.

I am Doug Wells, and this has been a minute of meditation from the Camden Avenue Church of Christ, where you are always welcome.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information, see the bulletin boards in the foyers at the front and back of the auditorium.

## March

- 10 Fellowship Meal - 12:00**  
hosted by Care Group 4
- 10 Hopewell Spring Gospel Meeting**  
-14 Sun 9:30, 10:15, 6:00; Mon-Thrs 7:00  
Speaker: Roger Rush
- 11 Monday Night Merge - 7:00**  
Lubeck church of Christ  
"Sitting in Judgment"
- 15 Friday Night Sing - 7:00**  
Freeport church of Christ
- 15 Friday Night Sing - 7:00**  
Wingett Run church of Christ
- 15 North End Youth Rally**  
-16 "Interact: Jesus' Interactions in Luke"  
Speaker - Matt Cook  
*Registration form by front bulletin board*
- 17 Men's Meeting - 4:00**
- 17 Youth Devo - 8:00**
- 17 Grand Central Trivia Night - 7:00**  
Cost \$10 per person  
Money going to a mission trip to Honduras
- 17 Hillview Terrace Gospel Meeting**  
-22 Speaker: Ken Burton
- 22 Walk Worthy Teen Girls Retreat**  
-24 Crestfield Camp & Conference Center  
Slippery Rock ,PA
- 23 Sandyville Ladies' Day - 9:30-12**  
"Growing in Joy"  
Speaker: Carrie Brainard
- 25 Youth Night at Norval Park**
- 28 Lads to Leaders Convention**  
-31 "I am Not Ashamed" - Romans 1:16
- 31 Traveling Youth Group - 6:00**  
Hopewell church of Christ

## April

- 5 Friday Night Sing at Norval Park - 7:00**
- 6 Golden Agers Day - 10:-1:00**  
"Worth your Weight in Gold"  
Speakers: Paul & Heather Pryor
- 6 Bible Bowl Book of Romans (KJV) - 9:30**  
Alkire Road church of Christ  
Registration due March 31
- 7 Rio Grande Gospel Meeting**  
-10 Sun 10:00, 11:00 & 6:00; Mon-Wed 7:00  
Speakers: Paolo Di Luca, David Brothers,  
Mark Aites, Scott Judge
- 12 Sunrise Youth Rally**  
-13 "Praise the Lord"  
Speaker - Peter Ray Cole  
*Registration forms by front bulletin board*
- 19 Friday Night Sing at Sissionville - 7:00**  
Song Book: Songs of Faith and Praise
- 20 Ladies' Inspiration Day - 9:00**  
Alkire Road church of Christ  
"Deeper: A Study of the Life of the Apostle Peter"  
Speaker: Brooke Pate
- 20 Ladies' Inpiration Day - Reg. 8:30-9:30**  
National Road church of Christ  
"Unexpected Blessings"  
Speaker: Debbie Wallace
- 21 49th Annual Southeast Lectureship**  
-24 Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies  
"Encouraged: Finding Comfort in Christ"
- 26 Helping, Healing, Humor**  
-28 **Mental Health Workshop**  
Norval Park church of Christ  
Presented by Ben Hayes and Travis Creasy
- 27 Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies' Inspiration Day**  
Camden Avenue church of Christ  
"Tell Your Story"  
Speaker: Hannah Colley

## May

- 4 Masqrade Mystery Prom Alternative**  
5:30 - 8:00 pm  
North End church of Christ  
Formal night of elegance, dining, & mystery
- 11 Harrisville Ladies' Inpiration Day**  
"Peace of Mind"  
Speaker: CoCo Hardwick

# Serving in Worship

March 17, 2024

## Elder in Charge

Paul Saunders

## Deacon in Charge

Cody Hoover

## Song Leader

AM - Kyle Inman

PM - David Epler

## Scripture

AM - Connor Curry

PM - Chris Hofmann

## Prayer

9:30 AM - Ron Riddle

Close - Klay Cochran

6:00 PM - Cole Curry

Close - Doug Hershman

## Communion

AM - Jeff Taberner

PM - Rick Stanley

## Welcome Center

AM - Terry Hofmann

PM - Sherry Sponseller

Wed - Stan Inman (3/20)

Announcements - Paul Saunders

PA System - Clayton Huber

Projector - Dustin Hughes

Security - Chris Tallman



# Interactive Bible Reading Plan

<https://video.wvbs.org/access/interactive-bible-reading-plan>

March 10: Num 15-16 & Psa 70

March 11: Num 17-18 & Psa 71

March 12: Num 19-20 & Psa 72

## Germs and Disease

March 13: Num 21-22 & Psa 73

March 14: Num 23-24 & Psa 74

March 15: Num 25-26 & Psa 75

March 16: Num 27-28 & Psa 76

March 17: Num 29-30 & Psa 77

## Friday Night Sings

March 15, 2024

Freeport

112 Main St. POB 131

Freeport, OH 43973

March 15, 2024

Wingett Run

Wingett Run Road

Wingett Run, OH 45789

March 22, 2024

Dewey Avenue

701 Dewey Ave

St. Mary's, WV 26170

WELCOME



Wren Lucille Nygard

29 February, 2024

3:34 PM | 7LB 5OZ | 20.5 IN

PROUD PARENTS  
DANIEL AND KIRA NYGARD

PROUD GRANDPARENTS  
TED AND REBECCA MILLER

## Facts and Figures

March 3, 2024

Sunday AM Worship ..... 202

Sunday Bible Class ..... 164

Sunday PM Worship ..... 174

Wednesday 11am Class ..... 31

Wednesday Bible Class ..... 137

Contribution ..... \$11,460

## Membership 2024

Baptisms ..... 1

Restored/Req. Prayer ..... 0

Placed Membership ..... 0

## In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday morning

7:30 on WTAP TV 15

8:00 on WVAM 1450 AM

March 17, 2024

"Spiritual and Religious"



IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY

March :  
Proverbs  
21-31



## 2024: Wisdom Literature

April: Job 1-21

May: Job 22-42

June: Psalms (Book I) 1-41

July: Psalms (Book II) 42-72

August: Psalms (Book III) 73-89

Sept.: Psalms (Book IV) 90-106

*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.*