Camden Avenue Church of Christ

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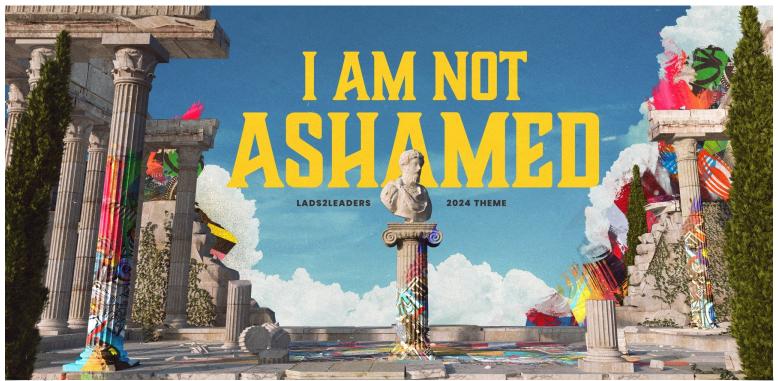
Sunday AM Worship......9:30am Sunday PM Worship6:00pm

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

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES MARCH 28-31, 2024





FOR I AM NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST, FOR IT IS THE POWER OF GOD TO SALVATION FOR EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES, FOR THE JEW FIRST AND ALSO FOR THE GREEK.



ROMANS 1:16

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Bible Call 304-420-2416 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

Mary Nesselroad **Barbara Cramlet Gwen Lucas** Ray Peters Dot Haught Mike Lucas Debby Nesselroad Summer Rich Judy Hupp Nita Faye Leach SHUT-INS

Bob Armstrong Harvey Caplinger Naomi Carr Keith Cowdery Patty Dawson Jim & Sallie Hinzman Jo Langler

Linda Moncrief

Ed & Lois Porter Van Putnam **Bonnie Sams** Sue Vancamp

Love & Care Susan Haid Mildred Gault **Colonial House** Lucille Hardman

Cedar Grove Janet Looney Jean Huber (Clayton Huber) Helen May (Verna Huber)

Wyngate Rosellen Allen (Carol Vincent)

Cotton Sayre

Eloise Smith

Joyce Wright

Dorothy Stevens

The Willows **Doris Newberry Deloris Boyce** (Jo Langler) Jenny Reynolds

FRIENDS & FAMILY

Zach Adams (from Elizabeth) Sawyer Bennett (Tabetha Rich) Linda Bowie (Van Sprague's mother) Kelly Boyce (Jo Langler's boyfriend) Tessa Burrows (online prayer request) Howard Buskirk (Jo Langler's friend) John Daggett (Aiden Klingler's granddad) Karen Morrell (Linda Moncrief's sister) Julanne Deitrich (Debra Bonar's sister) John Doll (Sandy Keller's father) Daniel Epler (David Epler's Son) Becky England (Tabetha Rich's Aunt) Kim Fought (Jo Goldsmith's brother) Jim Frashure (a friend of the Hughes') Thomas Guerra (friend of Tabetha Rich) Cathie Haught (Brian Haught's mom) Christie Hensley (Vivian Fadelvich's niece) Jeff Huxley (Cindy Huxley's husband) Stormy Huxley (Cindy Huxley's niece) Mike Inman (bro; Paul, Stan, & Sonya) Michelle Jones

Paisley Lemley (d. friend, Tabetha Rich) Jane McGrew (Cindy Huxley's niece)

Marilyn Miskcvish

Ronda Moats-Redman (Brenda Dougherty) Chris Morris (friend of Susan Anderson) Gloria Morris (Darrell & Norma Vaught) Patty Moore (Cindy Huxley's sis.-in-law) Becky Moyers (Cindy Huxley's sister-in-law) Amanda Muncy (Dylan Muncy's mom) Trish Nemsek (Patty Dawson's daughter) Jeff Ruppenthal (friend of John Bonar) Scott Ruppenthal (friend of John Bonar) Elizabeth Scarbrough's family Korbin Schaner (Eplers' g-grandson) Greg Smith (Keith & Eloise Smith's son) Elsie Smith (Hubers' granddaughter) Ronnie Smith (Keith Smith's brother) Dianne Sommerville (Stephanie Halstead) Hazel Terry (family of Eloise Smith) Karen Toms (Donna Tice's daughter) Charlie Tucker (Keith Smith's nephew) Gary Vincent (Carol Vincent's brother-in-law) Danny Wilson (Cindy Huxley's brother-in-law)

UPDATES TO THE PRAYER LIST

- John Daggett in your prayers as he has another biopsy on his prostate
- ♥ Dianne Sommerville (Stephanie Halstead's Aunt) is in Marietta Memorial.
- Tessa Burrows (online prayer request) is in the ICU with a infection in her pancreas and gallbladder

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>VISITORS</u> — 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.

FRIDAY NIGHT SING — The Friday Night Sing this week will be this Friday, March 22, at the Dewey Avenue church of Christ in St. Mary's, WV beginning at 7:00. There is a 2024 schedule in the front lobby.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER — MNFTM will begin again tomorrow, March 18. Dinner will be bring your best soup and will begin at 6:00. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby. Following will be a work night.

MEN'S MEETING — This afternoon at 4:00 in the multi-purpose room.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL — This evening following worship in the multi-purpose room.

<u>Lads to Leaders Showcase</u> — There will be a showcase on March 24 at 4:00 for our youth to show us what they have prepared for the Lads to Leaders Convention. Come show our kids some support as see what they've been working on this year.

<u>Lads to Leaders Donations</u> — 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. There is a sign-up sheet in the front lobby for picnic donations.

<u>Ladies Day Planning Meeting</u> — There will be a final planning meeting for the Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies' Inspiration Day on Sunday, April 7th at 4:30. If you are interested in helping with the Ladies' Day, please come!

MID-OHIO VALLEY LADIES' INSPIRATION DAY — Saturday, April 27 will be the 2024 Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies' Inspiration Day hosted by Camden Avenue. The theme will be "Tell Your Story" and Hannah Colley will be our guest speaker. There are fliers available in the front lobby.

<u>TEDDY BEAR MINISTRY</u> — 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 for all the birthday cards, text, etc. I appreciated every one of them.

-Paul Saunders

Thank you for all the nice birthday cards. We enjoyed them all.

-Jim & Charlotte Galloway



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

OperationsBill Hoover

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Doug's Discussion

I Am Pro-Jesus

I need to be careful how I say this . . . but this is one of those Jeremiah 20:9 "His word is in my heart like a fire . . . I am weary of holding it in; indeed I cannot" moments. I find I cannot hold back from saying something about a certain recent speech that was given to a certain large group of people by a certain powerful individual. I'm not sure I've ever personally witnessed anything quite like it. A man stood before a cheering crowd and said, "I believe Roe v. Wade got it right." A mom was put on television who had recently, tragically, killed her child, who had to leave the state of Texas to do that deed ("get what she needed," the speaker said), and who was hailed as a hero. The speaker said that when "reproductive freedom" is the issue, we win. That is, I want to kill babies, I know you want to kill babies . . . let's kill babies together! And the people stood and cheered.

With leaders like this, who needs enemies? If we hold to these kinds of morals, barring repentance, we are doomed from within. "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people" (Proverbs 14:34). People are welcome to dress this issue up however they want to make themselves feel more comfortable about their wickedness. "Fetus" (which just means offspring in Latin, by the way), "women's rights," "pro-choice," "reproductive freedom," and other verbal window dressing might be applied. The end result remains a dead child. States that have decided to acknowledge this truth have a lot fewer dead children. That is the reality of the situation – and if you take away all the euphemistic terms, you are left with a lot of people yelling, "There aren't enough dead babies – change the law back!"

God once said to Jeremiah, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations" (Jeremiah 1:5). Before the prophet even took his first breath he was known, he was chosen, and his life had purpose. Is the knowledge and providence of God less today than it was then? Of course not. When a child is in the womb, God knows them and knows what their life will become. God, in his wisdom, already has plans to encourage that child to come to Him and plans for that child's good if they do. I fear people in our nation don't know what they are cheering for as they dress in white for "women's rights" and stand up to applaud the murder of almost a million American babies a year. They cheer against the plans of God. On national television, they cheer, therefore, for Satan.

"What you need" isn't to kill your child. What you need is to repent and come to Jesus.

WHY LADS TO LEADERS?

- Is the oldest and largest leadership training program used by the churches of Christ.
- Congregations that incorporate L2L events (especially year-round) are reporting youth retention rates of 85% or higher, ten years after graduation.
- Has over 50 years of proven methods with 3 generations now trained to be servants in the church.
- Teaches God's Word with no agenda—and stays out of the ditches, left and right (2 Chronicles 34:2).
- Produces great materials by sound, respected authors that teach biblical concepts on timely subjects.
- Brings the whole congregation together. Adults and senior citizens participate with children in completing events and activities (Titus 2:2-4).
- Offers competitive and non-competitive events. (26 events are completely non-competitive.)
- Offers Bartimaeus events for special needs participants of all ages.
- Has events available for everyone ages 3-103.
- Allows participants to learn how to deal with competition in a Christian manner. Selections/competition are made in the church, as well (Acts 1:23-26).

SERMON NOTES

The Master Over Quality

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:21 Speaker: DJ Curry

Sermon in a Sentence: We will look to Jesus and see how He masters the embodiment of quality and sets the mark for us all.

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A. J	esus' Quality of Mira	cles:		
В. Ј	esus' Quality of Life:			
C. J	esus' Quality of Love):		
D. J	esus' Quality of Sacı	rifice and Resurrection	on:	
II. Conclu	sion:			
A. F	Recognize Jesus as t	ne Master of Quality	in every aspect of life.	
В. І	s He the Master ove	r your Life?		
	Hear - Believe -	Repent - Confess Fai	ith - Be Baptized - Rema	ain Faithful

PM Sermon: Wise Children Make Happy Parents Scripture Reading: Proverbs 23: 15-16 Speaker: Doug Wells

CURRY CONNECTION

Luck Has Nothing to Do with It?

What thought have you given to luck? "I returned and saw under the sun that— The race is not to the swift, Nor the battle to the strong, Nor bread to the wise, Nor riches to men of understanding, Nor favor to men of skill; But time and chance happen to them all" (Ecclesiastes 9:11 NKJV). King Solomon does not teach us that we have an existence of luck here. Instead, that part of the reality of life is that things can be unpredictable in this world. Just because one is a fast runner doesn't mean they will win the race. The turtle really can beat the rabbit. Just because one is strong doesn't mean they will not be struck down in battle by someone weaker. It was little David who killed the big Goliath. Was that luck? Just because one is intelligent, that doesn't always mean he will have plenty. Just because you train and work hard at something does not guarantee success, but it certainly helps. If you do not study for a test, do not be surprised when you fail it.

Now, if the world were controlled by chaos and chance, as some wish this Scripture to teach, there would be no point in trying for anything. Thankfully, the Bible doesn't teach that. It teaches us to work hard and to take advantage of good opportunities, which can pay off for the good, Lord willing, of course. "In the morning sow your seed, And in the evening do not withhold your hand; For you do not know which will prosper, Either this or that, Or whether both alike will be good" (Ecclesiastes 11:6). We know that if we do not try for good, then you are mostly guaranteed not to receive good. Even in this world, hard work will pay off, generally speaking. When hard work pays off, or something good falls into your lap, do not give the credit to luck but to God. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning" (James 1:17). Does the Bible tell us that we receive good things from luck? No! Who is luck? Is luck in control? No, God is in control. We receive EVERY good gift from God, not from luck. Now, some things we think are good are not that good. "A man's heart plans his way, But the Lord directs his steps" (Proverbs 16:9). God knows what is best and will sometimes shut us down in an action we are trying to accomplish. Often, we also relate this to luck. "You got the job! You're so lucky!" "You found gold! You're so lucky!" The "Luck of the Irish" may have just been because of hard work, digging in the right place, and a blessing from God. There is no other thing in which to place our faith but the will of God, not luck. "The lot is cast into the lap, But its every decision is from the Lord" (Proverbs 16:33). The rolling of the dice just falls into the lap. God is the one with the power of decision, not the lot or dice.

If you're lucky, will you be in Heaven one day? Is luck involved with your salvation? No! It was God, not luck, who sent His Son to die on the cross (John 3:16). God's love, not luck, is responsible for the sacrifice for our sins (Romans 5:8). God does not reward us blindly in a way that we might relate to as being luck but deliberately to those who seek and obey Him. "And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Hebrews 5:9). We are not lucky to have Jesus, but we are blessed to have Him.

Congratulations to all those that read Psalms 10-20 during the month of February!

Debbie Bonar John Bonar

Cole Curry

Delmas Carr

Naomi Carr Mary Daniel **Bill Davis**

Charlene Donahue

Charlotte Galloway

Sonya Hescht

Bill Hoover

Sherry Hoover

Jim Hugues Sandy Hughes

Sandy Keller

Denny Keller

Bill Mills

Kay Mills

Dave Nulter

Paul Saunders

Eloise Smith

Keith Smith

Dorothy Stevens

Steve Taylor

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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17	Men's Meeting - 4:00	23	Sandyville Ladies' Day - 9:30-12	
17	Youth Devo - 8:00		"Growing in Joy" Speaker: Carrie Brainard	
17 -22	Pennsboro Gospel Meeting Speaker: Will Montgomery	24	Lads to Leaders Showcase - 4:00	
17 -22	Hillview Terrace Gospel Meeting Speaker: Ken Burton	25 28	Youth Night at Norval Park Lads to Leaders Convention	
22	Walk Worthy Teen Girls Retreat Crestfield Camp & Conference Center Slippery Rock ,PA		"I am Not Ashamed" – Romans 1:16 Traveling Youth Group - 6:00 Hopewell church of Christ	
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5	Friday Night Sing at Norval Park - 7:00	20	Ladies' Inspiration Day - 9:00	
6	Golden Agers Day - 10:-1:00 "Worth your Weight in Gold" Speakers: Paul & Heather Pryor		Alkire Road church of Christ "Deeper: A Study of the Life of the Apostle Peter Speaker: Brooke Pate	
6	Bible Bowl Book of Romans (KJV) - 9:30 Alkire Road church of Christ Registration due March 31	20	Ladies' Inpiration Day - Reg. 8:30-9:30 National Road church of Christ "Unexpected Blessings" Speaker: Debbie Wallace	
7	Ladies' Day Planning Meeting - 4:30	21	49th Annual Southeast Lectureship	
7 -10	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		Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies "Encouraged: Finding Comfort in Christ"	
			Helping, Healing, Humor Mental Health Workshop	
12 -13	Sunrise Youth Rally "Praise the Lord" Speaker - Peter Ray Cole Registration forms by front bulletin board		Norval Park church of Christ Presented by Ben Hayes and Travis Creas	
			Mid-Ohio Valley Ladies' Inspiration Day Camden Avenue church of Christ	
19	Friday Night Sing at Sissonville - 7:00 Song Book: Songs of Faith and Praise		"Tell Your Story" Speaker: Hannah Colley	

May

- 4 Masqurade Mystery Prom Alternative 5:30 - 8:00 pm North End church of Christ Formal night of elegance, dining, & mystery
- 9 Spring Apologetics Lectures 1:30-4 North End church of Christ Speakers: Phil Sanders "Resurection: - Many Infallible Proofs
- 11 Harrisville Ladies' Inpiration Day "Peace of Mind" Speaker: CoCo Hardwick

Tune

- **2-8 Ohio Valley Tent Meeting** 161 Huber Dr, Parkersburg, WV 26104
- 29 The Flood Experience
 - Lectures and tours with Dr. Jeff Miller at key flood-relevant sites in Northern Arizona Cost is \$599 (ages 5 & under free)



Serving in Worship

March 24, 2024

Elder in Charge
Paul Saunders
Deacon in Charge
Cody Hoover

Song Leader

AM - John Life

PM - Brian Haught

Scripture

AM - Josh Carr

PM - Brandon Sheppard

Praver

9:30 AM - Paul Saunders Close - Levi Wells 6:00 PM - Jon Hescht Close - Marion Goldsmith

Communion

AM - Todd Kirk

PM - Delmas Carr

Welcome Center

AM - Marion Goldsmith

PM - Rick Stanley

Wed - Tammy Kerns (3/27)

Announcements - Ken Barnes **PA System** - Steve Gray

Projector - Doug Hershman

Security - Clayton Huber

WVDS[®] Interactive Bible Reading Plan

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

Mar 17 Num 29-30 Psa 77 Mar 18 Num 31-32 Psa 78 Building Great Kids

Mar 19 Num 33-34 Psa 79 Mar 20 Num 35-36 Psa 80 Mar 21 Deu 1-2 Psa 81

SOTW: Deuteronomy

Mar 22 Deu 3-4 Psa 82

Mar 23 Deu 5-6 Psa 83

Mar 24 Deu 7-8 Psa 84

Are the Jews God's Chosen Today?

Friday Night Sings

March 22, 2024

Dewey Avenue

701 Dewey Ave St. Mary's, WV 26170

March 25, 2024 Love & Care

Last Monday of each month 5368 Dupont Road Parkersburg, WV 26101 March 29, 2024 Sistersville

206 Oxford St. Sistersville, WV 26175

> April 5, 2024 Norval Park

845 Arch Street Zanesville, OH 43713

March Food Pantry Needs

Care Group 1: Pasta Noodles
Care Group 2: Tuna

Care Group 3: Peanut Butter & Jelly



Facts and Figures

March 10, 2024

Sunday AM Worship	192
Sunday Bible Class	136
Sunday PM Worship	
Wednesday Bible Class	
Contribution	

Membership 2024

Baptisms	1
Restored/Req. Prayer	
Placed Membership	

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sunday morning 7:30 on WTAP TV 15 8:00 on WVAM 1450 AM March 24, 2024

"Walking with the Lord"



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 Sep.: 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.