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**March 17, 2024**

## ESPECIALLY FOR OUR GUESTS ...

- ▶ Please pick up an information packet from our welcome table in the lobby. We also have a small gift for our first-time guests.
- ▶ We are grateful for your presence today. Please fill out an attendance card (please indicate both your first and last names) so we can have a record of your presence.
- ▶ About halfway through the service, the children 4 years old through the 4th grade will be dismissed for their own class downstairs.
- ▶ If you have any questions concerning our services or the church or the Bible, we encourage you to speak to our minister or one of our elders.

## ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

*Sunday a.m. ~ Acts 16*

*Bill Nocita*

*Sunday p.m. ~ The life of David*

*Joe Mason*

*Wednesday night ~ Acts 16*

*Bill Nocita*



Everyone is invited to come at **6:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday** for dinner before Bible study. Please sign up in the hallway if you plan to attend. You can also sign up if you want to help with the meal.

## FREE BREAKFAST

Invite your friends and family to join you for a hot breakfast on **next Sunday morning from 8 - 9** and then stay for Bible study and worship.



## CARE CENTER SERVICES

Northeast has the opportunity to lead worship services **next Sunday** at the Church of Christ Care Community **Assisted Living building at 2:00 and at the nursing home at 3:00.** We hope you can join us as we fellowship and encourage the residents and their guests!

Cast all your Anxiety  
on Him because He cares  
for you.

1 Peter 5:7

## *In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

**Betty Sanders** is recovering from surgery to repair a broken arm she suffered in a fall. The family has requested no visitors at this time.

**Gary Mostek** was back in the ER last week. He had a procedure to help clear an infection from his previous surgery.

**Patty Yonker** is in the hospital.

*Continue to pray for . . .*

**Nick Brioc ~ Brenda McCraw ~ Cathlene Moore ~  
Brenda Neisz ~ Nina Sims ~ Bill Skelding ~  
Benny & Linda Welch**

*Remember our shut-ins . . .*

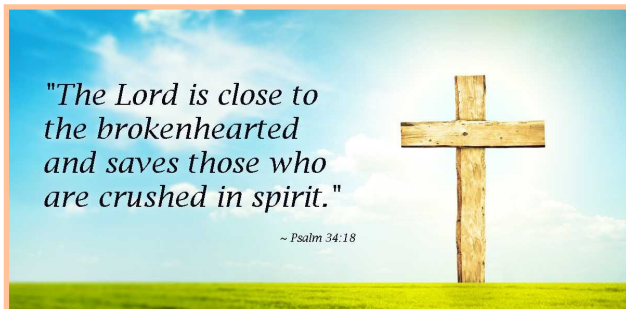
**David Boyd ~ Judy Eldridge ~ Marie Hershberger ~  
Chuck & Shelby Ragland ~ Beth Stocker**

### **SPECIAL PRAYERS**



Continue to keep **Ron & Ashley and family** in your prayers.

They will be traveling home from Illinois following the funeral for Ron's mother. Remember them as they adjust to this change in their lives.



### **BOWLING FUNDRAISER**

The **Church of Christ Care Community** will hold their 3rd Annual Bowling Fellowship on **Saturday, May 11**, at Astro Lanes in Madison Heights. The cost is \$30 for adults, \$22 for youth, which includes 3 games of bowling, 2 slices of pizza & pop. The cost for spectators (non-bowlers) is only \$10. Start practicing and get your team together. See Bill Nocita for more information or to register.



### **HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN**

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for us and rose from the dead, making salvation available as a gift (John 3:16; Romans 6:23). In order to benefit from this great sacrificial love, one must receive God's grace through faith in Christ and obedience to him (Romans 5:1-2; Hebrews 5:9). To become a Christian, the Bible teaches that we must believe in and put our trust in Christ (John 8:24), turn away from a life of sin (Luke 13:3), confess Jesus as Lord (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16). If you would like to further study this question of "What must I do to be saved?", please see our minister or one of our elders.

## WRESTLING WITH SELF FORGIVENESS

By Kevin Cauley

Perhaps one of the greatest mental struggles that we face as Christians is forgiving ourselves. We know our lives better than anyone else, and we also know our sins more than anyone else. Private sins shared only with God haunt us, and while God forgives 100%, the history of those sins can eat away at our psyche. More than that, sins that we commit in public may endure within our minds for years, constantly reminding us of our failures and creating feelings of inferiority. The truth is that most people do not even remember our foibles; they are usually preoccupied with their own troubled pasts, and good, decent people forgive and forget. So, the most pressing issue is how do we forgive ourselves?

We need to know that God loves us and forgives us. Sometimes people say to themselves, “God could never forgive me for what I have done.” That is not true. He gave the highest price that He could give for us, His only begotten Son. Why would He hold back on us when He was willing to give everything for us? That is Paul’s point in Romans 8:32, “He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?” God is generous in forgiveness. Consider the case of the thief on the cross. If Jesus forgave that sinful man who insulted Him just a few hours before, He will certainly forgive us. John wrote, “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9). We can be assured of God’s forgiveness. In the battle to eliminate negative thoughts, we must pray to God about matters out of our control. If we have done all that we can, let God have it. We may need to pray about it several times. The effort is worth it. By praying, we can learn to let go of our past. Philippians 4:6-7 says, “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”



For many, the problem is that we do not want to let go. We want to control and “fix” things. This attitude is deceptive. It does not eliminate the past but reinforces our failures by getting us to dwell on them. If we think we can “fix” or “control” things, we will not let the past go, and it will continue to haunt us. We do not need to be a “fixer” or have “control.” If we want peace, we will give it to God and let it go from our thoughts entirely. If we will trust God completely, we can let go of our past and go forward, but we cannot hang onto those things. If we do not let them go, God cannot take them. He will not force us to surrender them. We must surrender them willingly.



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### TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday

Worship - 10:30a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Bible School - 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

(at the building)

Our weekly Sunday morning  
worship service, Sunday evening  
class & Wednesday night  
Bible class are live streamed  
on our Facebook page.

### Pray For Our Missions!

- ✝ Bad Axe Church of Christ
- ✝ China
- ✝ Church of Christ Care Community
- ✝ Eastern European Mission
- ✝ India
- ✝ Let The Bible Speak TV Program
- ✝ Michigan Christian Youth Camp
- ✝ Nigeria
- ✝ Shults-Lewis Children's Home

### ELDER CHAIRMAN

**Bill Nocita**

### WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

March 10, 2024

Opening Prayer - Craig Sims

Song Leader - Bill Nocita

Sermon - Joe Mason

#### Communion servants

Byron Bledsoe    Kenny Cummings

Steve Karwowski    Jay Kramer

Jimmy Hampton

#### Audio visual servitor

Willis Williams IV

### FOR THE RECORD

March 10, 2024

Bible School	24
Sunday Morning Worship	71
Avg. attendance for 2024	80
Sunday Evening	19
Mid-week Bible Study (including ladies class)	36
Contribution	\$2,455.00
Avg. contribution for 2024	\$3,946.06
Budget	\$3,744.00
Shults-Lewis	\$40.05
Total for 2024	\$410.80