

# The Weekly News of the

# Northeast Church of Christ

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# **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. ~ The Nature of Satan (Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28, Revelation 12 Sunday p.m. ~ Song Service Wednesday night ~ Acts 13



Everyone is invited to come at **6:00 p.m.** Dinner 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.

#### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Our breakfast club will meet next Sunday morning from 8:00 - 9:00. Invite your friends and family to join you for a free hot breakfast and then stay for Bible study and worship.

# BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



- 22 Deanna Graves
- 23 Liliana Webb
- 26 Ian Roy
- 27 Kenny Cummings

Our weekly Sunday morning worship service and Sunday evening class are live streamed on our Facebook page.



**Byron Bledsoe** is experiencing severe pain

from a recent fall.

*Chris Lenhard* is having trouble with his kidneys.

Lonale Stewart, the minister of the Van Dyke congregation, is recovering from injuries sustained in a recent car accident.

Joe Bloomingburg, an elder at the Parkview congregation, is in the hospital after suffering a stroke during services two weeks ago.

We have some members, friends, and loved ones who are currently undergoing chemo/radiation treatments and some who still struggle with the effects of cancer.

Remember these in your prayers:

Marsha Arndt Nick Brioc Cathlene Moore Kenneth Glaze Nina Sims Walter Sims

# **SERMON FOR TODAY**

Joe Mason

How to make sure the "spectacular" doesn't become the "ordinary."

**Main text: John 13:18-30** 

## **CHORUS AUDITIONS**

The **Metro Detroit**Youth Chorus will hold auditions for all young people ages 14-18 on **Saturday**, **Sept.**10. Go to their webpage, www.mdyc.com, and choose new member audition for details and more information. Share this exciting opportunity with anyone that might be interested.

# 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.

### ALL OTHER GROUND IS SINKING SAND

By David Sproule

The song writer affirmed, "On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand." Consider carefully the Biblical basis and rich meaning of these words.

**Christ is the Solid Rock...of the Old Testament.** "My rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold" (Psalm 18:2); "The rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God" (Psalm 62:7).

Christ is the Solid Rock...upon which the church has been founded. No human can take His place as the "chief cornerstone" of the church (Ephesians 2:20; 1 Peter 2:6), for "no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 3:11). When Peter confessed the deity of Christ, the Lord said, "On this rock (His deity) I will build My church" (Matthew 16:18).

Christ is the Solid Rock...upon whom I stand. The emphasis is on the confidence that we need to have to stand on Him and Him alone. Can each of us affirm these things, "I am not ashamed...For I know whom I have believed...I will walk in Your truth...I will not forget Your word...I will keep the commandments of my God" (Romans 1:16; 2 Timothy 1:12; Psalm 86:11; 119:16, 115)? He is the Solid Rock upon which the wise man builds his home (Matthew 7:24-25).

All other ground is sinking sand! There is other ground upon which we may stand, even ground that may appear to have insignificant differences to standing on Christ. However, the ground of the Lord is unique and there is no other that is "close enough." "Their rock is not like our Rock," for there is no "rock like our God" (Deuteronomy 32:31; 1 Samuel 2:2).

The ground of man-made doctrine is sinking sand (Matthew 15:8-9). The ground of self-prescribed, will worship is sinking sand (Colossians 2:23). The ground of justifying decisions with "I think, I feel, I believe" instead of "The Bible says" is sinking sand (Colossians 3:17). The ground of "everybody else is doing it" is sinking sand (Romans 12:2). The ground of trusting in the riches of this world is sinking sand (Matthew 13:22). The ground of enjoying the pleasures of sin is sinking sand (Hebrews 11:25). The ground of doing whatever it takes to please others is sinking sand (1 Thessalonians 2:4; Galatians 1:10).

When you take a look at your life and where you stand right now, can you boldly profess, "My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness... I wholly lean on Jesus' Name"? If you have built your hope on any other ground than the Solid Rock, you are on sinking sand!

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# TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday

Worship -10:30a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Bible School - 9:30 a.m.

<u>Wednesday</u>

Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. (at the building) Zoom online class

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### 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**

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Opening Prayer - Dean Hampton Song Leader - Bill Nocita **Sermon** - Joe Mason

#### Communion servants

Jim Hampton **Craig Sims** Dean Stewart Tracy Webb Byron Bledsoe

Audio visual servitor

Willis Williams IV

### FOR THE RECORD

August 14, 2022	
Bible School	24
Sunday Morning Worship	75
Avg. attendance for 2022	79
Sunday Evening Worship	18
Mid-week Bible (including Zoom)	27
Contribution	\$3,258.00
Avg. contribution for 2022	\$3,857.97
Budget	\$3,600.00
Shults-Lewis	\$33.00
Total for 2022	\$1,451.41