



The Weekly News of the Northeast Church of Christ

April 12, 2015

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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 kindergarten through the 4th grade will be dismissed for their own class downstairs. For those 4 years old and under, there are classes on the main level throughout the entire service. We encourage the use of our attended nursery class for those who need it.
- If you have any questions concerning our services or the church or the Bible, we encourage you to speak to one of our elders or our minister.

MEN'S STUDY GROUP

The Men's Bible study group, led by Ken Mickey, will meet **this Tuesday night** at 7 p.m. in the Teen Center. Please note the change of location for that evening.



KIDS CLUB PARTY

All ages are welcome to the Kids Club Princess & Pirate Party **next Sunday** following morning services in the church basement. Lunch will be provided. Gentlemen, please wear a white t-shirt, and ladies, you may wear princess dresses. There will be a treasure hunt, pirate battle, princess pampering, and more. Sign up today on the Kids Club bulletin board.



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 ★ **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP** ★
 ★ **CLASS ASSISTANTS** ★
 ★ April 12 - Joanne Patenaude ★
 ★ April 19 - Melanie Berger ★
 ★ April 26 - Jayda Wilson ★
 ★ May 3 - Kara Mason ★
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Chris Lenhard is getting some good test results.

SENIOR HONORS BANQUET



Everyone is invited to our Senior Honors Banquet on **Thursday, May 21**, at 6:00 at Barrister Gardens, on Harper between 9 and 10 Mile Road. Our high school graduates this year are **Kassie Cummings, Johnny Lynch, Jayda Wilson, Madison Wilson, and Shelby Wooldridge**, and our speaker for the evening will be Kenny Cummings. Tickets are \$15 per person, and you need to sign up on the bulletin board soon.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP CLASS CHANGES



In an effort to ensure readiness for children attending the worship classes, please note the following changes effective today:

2-4 year olds: There is now a class available upstairs during worship for 2-4 year olds who have not yet started kindergarten.

4 year olds in kindergarten: 4 year olds who have begun kindergarten will worship in the assembly and join the children's class downstairs at the appropriate time.

LADIES' ACTIVITY



Ladies, you are all invited to a painting night on **Friday, June 5**, from 6:30-9:00 at Painting with a Twist in Shelby Township. The cost will be \$35 and you will go home with your own 16x20 painting. Registration and payment need to be done on their webpage, www.paintingwithatwist.com, and use the password JM0605. There is only room for 28, so get your reservation in soon. If you have any questions you can see Jill Mostek.

Name Tags

All members are encouraged to pick up and wear your name tag that is available in the lobby each Sunday morning.

Hearing Devices

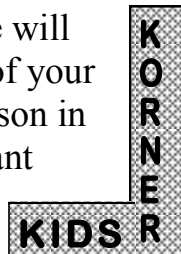
If you have difficulty with your hearing and would like to use one of our hearing devices, see Vicki, our church secretary.

Teaching Tools

Our Sunday morning sermons are recorded and available on CD.

Hi Kids! What is your favorite body part? Is it your eyes, your hands, the dimple in your smile? Is there any part of your body that you would want to live without? Did you know that the Bible compares Christians to body parts, and it calls Christian believers the "body of Christ?" Today we will learn that just as every part of your body is important, every person in the body of Christ is important (1 Corinthians 12).

Lori Mason



THE BEAUTY OF PERSONAL INTEGRITY

By Neal Pollard

There is an old episode of *Father Knows Best* where Bud, the Anderson's son, has a glowing write up in the local newspaper for his star performance as his High School's placekicker. Success goes to his head, leading Bud to break the team's training rules and stay out past 9:00 P.M. His father finds out and urges him to tell his coach. Bud begrudgingly does so, and he becomes convinced that his doing the right thing and being honest would lead the coach to let him off with a warning or look the other way. When he's told he cannot play that week because of his violation, he sulks and even blames his dad for giving him bad advice. Eventually, Bud takes ownership of his misdeed, has a more humble attitude toward his importance, and even appreciates the decisions of his dad and coach to help him excel as a person more than a player.

Perhaps personal ethics have eroded to the point that many find such advice and subsequent actions preposterous and wrongheaded. The lesson was that actions have consequences and that honesty should be practiced, not for reward but simply because it is right to do so. Trustworthiness and responsibility are the fruits of integrity and uprightness.

These principles, though unstated in that old television show, are thoroughly biblical in nature. Broadly, the Bible praises those of upright heart (Ps. 7:10; 64:10). Psalm 15 says those who walk uprightly, work righteousness, and speak truth in his heart. It is often more difficult to do the right thing than the easier thing, but the path of least resistance does not usually lead us in the right direction. We made each of our boys read Alex Harris' *Do Hard Things: A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations*. An overarching principle is that your choices should not be made based on what's most convenient or least demanding. Character is built when we have the courage of God's convictions and do what is right, whatever it may seem to cost us in the short-term. Ultimately, we will be better for it and so will the people in our lives!

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.

TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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April 12, 2015

Opening Prayer - Jim Weertz

Song Leader - Dean Hampton

Sermon - Stan Clanton

Communion servants for April

Kenny Cummings Ty Filipiak

Steve Karwowski Russ Patenaude

Audio visual servitors for April

Dean Stewart Mark Nelson

FOR THE RECORD

April 5, 2015

Bible School	60
Sunday Morning Worship	152
Avg. attendance for 2015	133
Sunday Evening Worship	10
Mid-Week Bible Study	25
Contribution	\$4,258.00
Avg. contribution for 2015	\$4,101.47
Budget	\$3,792.00
Shults-Lewis	\$19.00
Total for 2015	\$332.85



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