

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 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.

KIDS CLUB ACTIVITY



Next Sunday after church the Kids Club will go to the zoo and also have a picnic

there. All ages are welcome so invite your friends. The cost is \$10 for kids and \$15 for adults. You must sign up on the Kids Club bulletin board *today*. You can contact Amy Mickey to let her know that you plan to be there. If you don't sign up you will not be able to get a ticket or lunch that day. Any family who has a financial concern that would prevent their child from participating, please see Amy.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Kids Club Camping Trip

August 21-23

Check the Kids Club

bulletin board for details.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUMMER PLANS

Our Wednesday night summer series begins on **June 3**. The ladies class will join the group upstairs in the auditorium for a variety of topics presented in DVD format.



Bob Ellis, Joann's husband, has had a reoccurrence of his cancer and was hospitalized recently.Brenda Houle will have knee surgery soon.

GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE



Everyone is invited to a graduation open house for **Jayda & Madison Wilson**

on **Saturday, June 6,** from 2-7 p.m., at the Wilson house, 5041 Ashford Rd., Clarkston. If you need directions you can see Mark or Cindy.

SHULTS-LEWIS NEWS

Commodity Drive: Shults-Lewis
Children's Home has asked that we donate **chips**, **cookies**, and **toilet tissue** for their commodity drive this year. Your donations can be brought in and placed on the kitchen table, and remember to mark them for Shults-Lewis. The last day to bring in your donation is June 28.

Day of Prayer and Giving: Shults-Lewis has set aside **next Sunday** as a day that they ask us to pray for their work and also make a special contribution to help with much needed upgrades to their gymnasium. If you want to make a donation you can put it a special collection envelope, marked for Shults-Lewis, and place in with your regular contribution.

HARDING NIGHT AT COMERICA

Attention teens! Harding University is sponsoring a Detroit Tigers game and pizza dinner at PizzaPapalis in Greektown on Tuesday, June 16. The cost is only \$20 for dinner and the ball game. See Mark Wilson if you are interested.

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. Registration and payment need to be done on their webpage, www.paintingwithatwist.com, and use the password JM0605. If you have any questions you can see Jill Mostek.

HI KIDS! Do you know what the word dreadful means? It's not just a word that you use when you don't like something. It means much more than that. We use this word when we want other people to know that something is really bad. Now, I want you to think about a time when you've had to face something dreadful. What comes to mind? Standing up to a bully? Getting stitches? Eating asparagus? Today we will talk about some Bible friends who found themselves in dreadful situation. but still trusted God. They knew that no matter how bad it looked. 0 God was always with them, and we R know that He is always with us, too Ñ (Psalm 118:6-7).

Lori Mason

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Let Us Remember By Stan Clanton

Memorial Day is a day in which we remember in a special way those Americans who have died in the military in service to our nation. Because of their sacrifice, we enjoy freedom, security, and stability as a nation. How appropriate that we remember.

Let us not take our freedom for granted. Think how different and tragic life would be if we lived under the domination and oppression of another government. How frustrated we would be if we could not freely practice our faith. It doesn't take much thought to realize how blessed we are and how important freedom is. Many in our world do not enjoy such freedom. Let us remember and be thankful for our present freedom of religion in our society and let us pray that it may continue.

Christians have sacrificed their lives for the sake of the gospel message of freedom from sin. Acts 7 tells of the stoning of Stephen. Acts 12 tells of James being executed. History tells us that Peter was crucified upside down and Paul was decapitated under the reign of Nero. Polycarp was burned at the stake after refusing to renounce his loyalty to Christ. Many other Christians, ancient and modern, have suffered torture and death for the sake of the gospel. It's thought that more Christians were martyred in the twentieth century than in all previous centuries combined. Globally speaking it's estimated that about 10,000 die every year for their Christian faith. Let us remember those who have given their lives for Christ. It not only shows us the importance of standing by Jesus, but it also spurs our own courage to be loyal to the gospel. "Because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear" (Philippians 1:14).

Most importantly, let us remember the greatest sacrifice of all—Jesus coming from heaven and laying down his life for us as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Jesus established his covenant meal, the Lord's Supper, and said, "Do this in remembrance of me." How absolutely essential that we remember Jesus and not take our freedom from sin for granted. We are justified by his grace through an obedient faith, and we now have peace with God through Jesus (Romans 5:1).

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.

> <u>Wednesday</u> **Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.**

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Communion servants for May

John Kaganac Chris Thomas Mike Yuchasz Steve Karwowski

Audio visual servitors for May

Scott Smith Dean Stewart

FOR THE RECORD May 17, 2015

Bible School	81
Sunday Morning Worship	152
Avg. attendance for 2015	137
Sunday Evening Worship	23
Mid-Week Bible Study	24
Contribution	\$4,847.30
Avg. contribution for 2015	\$4,098.53
Budget	\$3,792.00
Shults-Lewis	\$21.00
Total for 2015	\$447.85



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