



The Weekly News of the Northeast Church of Christ

July 19, 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.

KIDS CLUB BALLGAME



The Kids Club will have a ball game for all ages on **Sunday, Aug. 2**. After morning services we will enjoy a hot dog lunch in the church basement and then travel to Huron Park, on Frazho at Kelly, for a ball game. There is no cost for this event. Please sign up on the Kids Club bulletin board if you plan to attend.

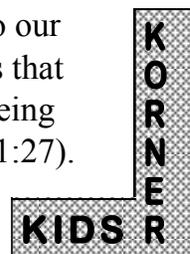
POTLUCK



On Sunday, **Aug. 9**, we will have a potluck meal following our morning services. At that time we will honor Roger & Sherry Walker and their children, who are moving to Florida. Bring your favorite dish (plus a little extra) and come give them your best wishes.

HEY KIDS! Today we are going to talk about two types of pollution. The first type of pollution is harmful to the environment and causes physical damage to people, plants, and animals. The second type of pollution is harmful to our mind and heart and causes spiritual damage to our soul. We will talk about ways that we can keep ourselves from being polluted by the world (James 1:27).

Lori Mason



On Choosing Leaders

By Dan Anders

“Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty” (Acts 6:3).

Admittedly, the Acts text is not discussing the appointment of elders. Usually, the men chosen to wait tables at Jerusalem are dubbed “deacons”, although Luke does not so designate them. The principles of selecting leaders laid down here are nonetheless applicable in a church's quest for new elders to shepherd God's flock.

One principle is congregational recognition. A man chosen to lead must be perceived by his peers as a leader. It is foolish to thrust a man into the leadership of a voluntary organization like the church if he is unknown to the group, or distrusted by them. Whom do you see as a potential elder of this congregation? Obviously, not all of us would compile the precise same list of possible additional overseers. There should be, however, some consensus on whom we are willing to follow.

A second principle is a spiritual quality of life that equips one for spiritual guidance of God's family. Some men are good leaders, but not for the church! Others make great spiritual contributions in guiding the church who could never manage a big business. The real determinant for a shepherd of God's flock is not business acumen, but a genuine relationship with God and a meaningful fellowship with God's people. The apostle Paul understood the importance of having quality men to direct the church. That is why he gave detailed instructions in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9. We would do well to ponder deeply these scriptures as we propose men to be our pastors.

A third principle in appointing leaders is the approval of those already in the leaders. In Acts 6, the apostles approved the congregation's choice. In Titus 1, the evangelist apparently was to direct the selection of bishops for a church which had none. In an established congregation with men already serving as elders, the current elders should have some say as to the acceptability of proposed appointees.

As we select more elders for our church, these guidelines are being followed. We trust that congregational recognition and elder approval of spiritually qualified men will provide us with additional overseers to guide this fellowship.

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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July 19, 2015

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Song Leader - Roger Walker
Sermon - Stan Clanton

Communion servants for July

John Kaganac Ken Mickey
Chris Thomas Russ Patenaude

Audio visual servitors for July

Jenna Mason Kara Mason

FOR THE RECORD

July 12, 2015

Bible School	62
Sunday Morning Worship	143
Avg. attendance for 2015	133
Sunday Evening Worship	22
Mid-Week Bible Study	28
Contribution	\$4,089.50
Avg. contribution for 2015	\$3,998.71
Budget	\$3,792.00
Shults-Lewis	\$19.00
Total for 2015	\$620.85



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