



# 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



Today at 1:00 the Kids Club will have a special activity at the Mickey's house:

The Game Truck and Lions Football. Lunch will be provided. All ages are invited to a fun filled afternoon of video games and Lions football. The Game Truck will be there from 1-3. Go to [www.gametruckparty.com](http://www.gametruckparty.com) to see what the Game Truck is all about. Sign up today for this exciting event. The Mickey's address is 25238 St. Christopher, Harrison Twp.

## HOUSING THE HOMELESS

Next Sunday, following morning services, Bill Nocita will have a  **meeting** for all those who want to be part of our MCREST week. Two weeks from today we will open our building and house some of the homeless in Macomb County through the MCREST program. During the week we will provide housing and meals for approximately 30 women and children. There are many opportunities and various jobs that need to be filled. The volunteer and kitchen/food lists are posted in the back of the auditorium. Keep this work in your prayers and consider how you can be part of this very worthwhile and needed work.



**Barb Kramer** was diagnosed with melanoma, and will have further surgery this Friday as treatment for it.

**Mose Harris**, a friend of Brenda McCraw, has asked for prayers for strength.

**John Belasco**, retired preacher from this area, is in Troy Beaumont Hospital with an infection.

## **BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST**



**Lindsey Giannetti**

## **SYMPATHY**

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Jessica Cronk** on the recent death of her close friend, Billy Race.



## **EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION**



**Next Sunday** you will have the opportunity to make a donation to the Eastern European Mission Million Dollar Sunday. Your contribution will help them to continue placing Bibles in the public schools in Ukraine, Romania, and Croatia. Just \$5 provides a Bible for a student. You can place your contribution a special collection envelope marked Eastern European Mission, and place it in with your regular collection. Checks should be made out to Northeast Church of Christ.

## **BABY SHOWER**



Ladies, you are all invited to a baby shower for **Malika Howard** **this Thursday** at 7 p.m. at the church building. Malika and Montie are expecting a baby girl in October, and have registered gift suggestions at Wal-Mart.

## **BAKING CLASS WITH TAWNIA**

**Tawnya Clanton** has graciously offered to share her baking tips with anyone who is interested.



The baking class will be held **this Saturday at 11:00** at the building. On the menu is coffee cakes, rolls, and Ho Ho cake. You can make any or all of those items. If you want to make a cake, you need to bring a chocolate cake mix, a 5 oz. can of evaporated milk, and a can of chocolate frosting. Tawnya will provide all the other items and we will reimburse her on that day. It's important that you sign up in the hallway so she can plan for enough ingredients. Snacks will be provided.

## **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.

## UN-DENOMINATIONAL CHRISTIANS

By Bobby Dockery

Dr. Hans Kung, a well-known European theologian, published a wave-making book a few years ago which was entitled simply, *The Church*, in which he lamented the fact that the established church has lost its way, has become bogged down in tradition, and has ceased to be what Christ intended it to be. The only remedy, according to Dr. Kung, is to go back to the Scriptures to see what the church was like in the beginning and then to recover in the 21st Century the essence of the original church! In other words, we need to return to the practice of undenominational Christianity!

I am personally convinced that undenominational Christianity is possible—that it is possible to be members of the church of our Lord without being a part of any denomination! To recapture undenominational Christianity in the 21st Century, then a few indispensable things are necessary:

- The unity of all believers on the basis of the Bible alone.
- The replacement of all human creeds and confessions of faith with the Bible as the only binding rule of faith and practice for the church.
- The recognition of Christ as the only Head of the church.
- The autonomy and independence of every local congregation.
- The use of only scriptural names to refer to God's people.
- The restoration of the government, worship, and terms of membership practice by the New Testament church.

Is Undenominational Christianity really possible in our faction-torn, sect-ridden religious world? Many would say, "No!" They would dismiss the very idea of "Undenominational Christianity" as an anachronistic, unrealistic dream. But the Bible teaches otherwise! Consider:

- 1. The Church established by Jesus in New Testament times was undenominational.** He conceived of His church in terms of a unified, single entity (Matthew 16:18). He prayed for the perpetual unity of His followers (John 17:20-21). Clearly, the division of His church into denominational was not something that He intended or approved.
- 2. We have the same seed today which produced undenominational Christianity in the First Century.** The seed is the word of God (Luke 18:11). We are born again by that seed (1 Peter 1:23). Seed—if it is viable—will always produce the same harvest no matter where or when it is planted.
- 3. We can be undenominational today if we will turn from men and their doctrines, creeds, and opinions and turn to Christ and His word.** The Bible only will make Christians only! We can be in the 21st Century what Christians were in the 1st Century, if we are willing to believe what they believed; obey what they obeyed; and practice what they practiced!

Why NOT be just a Christian???

## 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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September 20, 2015

Opening Prayer - Craig Sims  
Song Leader - Kenny Cummings  
Sermon - Stan Clanton

## Communion servants for September

John Kaganac    Chris Thomas  
Dean Stewart    Bill Nocita

## Audio visual servitors for September

Mark Nelson    Russ Patenaude

## FOR THE RECORD

September 13, 2015

Bible School	83
Sunday Morning Worship	143
Avg. attendance for 2015	132
Sunday Evening Worship	27
Mid-Week Bible Study	38
Contribution	\$3,921.45
Avg. contribution for 2015	\$3,933.46
Budget	\$3,792.00
Shults-Lewis	
Total for 2015	\$900.11



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