



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.

MUNCHIES FELLOWSHIP



This Wednesday night we will have a devo in place of our regular Bible classes. Everyone, including the children, will meet upstairs in the auditorium and after that we will all go downstairs for some fellowship and munchies. You are asked to bring a finger food/appetizer to share. This is a great opportunity to celebrate the holiday joy with your church family. Make plans to be here.

KIDS CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Today is the Kids Club Christmas Party. There will be crafts, baking, movies and music for kids of all ages.  Parents, you can leave your kids after church this morning, and then come back for evening services at 5:00 and stay after to enjoy some yummy creations. If you wish you can bring a dessert to make sure there is plenty for everyone. Lunch and dinner will be provided for the kids.



This Christmas may your home be blessed with His love, touched by His peace, and may your heart be filled with hope.

*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year.*




Pat Mull was hospitalized briefly last week to have adjustments made to her pacemaker. Pat would appreciate cards, calls and visits, but please call before visiting.

RESRORED AND PLACING MEMBERSHIP




Hollie Stocker
Children: William, Gabrielle & Julianna


HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Due to the holiday season, Vicki will have limited office hours this week and there will be no bulletin next Sunday. 


ELDER CHAIRMAN

 **Joe Mason** is the chairman of the elders through December. You can contact him if you have any questions or concerns.


DIAPER DAYS

We want to “shower” Benjamin Poe with diapers. We ask that you bring in any size diaper, **size 2 and up**, and place them in Vicki’s office. This is just a small way to welcome him to our Northeast family. See Vicki if you have any questions. 


COOKIE EXCHANGE

Ladies, our cookie exchange will be **this Tuesday** at 7 p.m. at the church building. Bring 1/2 dozen cookies for each person that night to share with your sisters. You will go home with a wonderful assortment of deliciousness! There will be snacks and lots of fun and sharing. Sign up today. 


CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

 If you did not have the opportunity to get a set of contribution envelopes for next year they are available in the lobby. Please return your completed purpose card to one of the elders.

WINTERFEST

Teens, mark your calendar for **Feb. 18-21, 2016**, for Winterfest in Gatlinburg, TN. More details soon. See Mark Wilson if you have any questions. 

CARE CENTER EVENT

 The Church of Christ Care Center is excited to announce a benefit event. The internationally acclaimed performing group, **Acappella** (a member of the Christian Music Hall of Fame), will perform a concert on **Saturday, March 5, 2016**, at 2:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Theater of Avondale High School. Ticket prices are \$30 for general admission and \$25 for youth 18 & under and seniors 62 and older. They expect all 800 seats to be sold out, so get your tickets now. Contact Esther Simmons at 586-285-7104 or you can get your tickets online at www.cofccc.org.

IT IS A WONDERFUL LIFE

By David Bragg

George Bailey learned the hard way what the world would have been like if he had never existed. Friends, family and events, once taken for granted, took on richer meanings. Unrealized dreams suddenly seemed unimportant. Viewers could reflect on Jimmy Stewart's intriguing performance and come away with a clearer understanding of the important things in life.

This time of year Jesus becomes popular. The story of his birth is rehearsed repeatedly. Joy and peace become the operative words as goodwill is mingled among the shopping frenzy. Life is not a Frank Capra film. We cannot experience what the fictional character George Bailey experienced. Yet, in the inspired discussion of Jesus' life and ministry an interesting observation was made by Christ himself, upon which we would do well to dwell. He said, in John 15:22, "If I had not come ..."

Imagine what we would miss if Jesus had not come. There would be no church, New Testament or hope. Nothing encouraging could be said by an open grave. Nothing could help sustain marriages through difficult times. There would be no meaning to this life, no expectation of the next. There would be no Savior. Life would not be so wonderful.

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.

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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WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

December 20, 2015

Opening Prayer - Tom Cardwell
Song Leader - Kenny Cummings
Sermon - Brian Poe

Communion servants for December

Ty Filipiak Mike Yuchasz
Steve Karwowski Jay Kramer

Audio visual servitors for December

Dean Stewart Craig Sims

FOR THE RECORD

December 13, 2015

Bible School	69
Sunday Morning Worship	140
Avg. attendance for 2015	133
Sunday Evening Worship	15
Mid-Week Bible Study	28
Contribution	\$4,330.30
Avg. contribution for 2015	\$3,935.92
Budget	\$3,792.00
Shults-Lewis	\$14.00
Total for 2015	\$1,239.16

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